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**ARCHBISHOP NELSON J. PÉREZ CELEBRATES PALM SUNDAY AND
THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM AT THE CATHEDRAL BASILICA
OF SAINTS PETER AND PAUL IN A PRIVATE MANNER**

Although there will be no public celebrations of Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord or the Sacred Paschal Triduum, the faithful from throughout the five-county Archdiocese of Philadelphia, and all people of good will, are invited to take part virtually via a live streamed broadcast.

*Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday
April 5, 2020 – April 12, 2020*

**MASS SCHEDULE FOR PALM SUNDAY OF
THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

April 5, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

Palm Sunday commemorates Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and the Passion of the Lord is proclaimed as Christians around the globe mark the beginning of the holiest week of the year.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass will be streamed live on the Archdiocesan website <http://archphila.org> and Archbishop Pérez's Facebook page www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez/.

Liturgical music will be provided by the Cathedral Parish Liturgical musicians while keeping with social distancing requirements. Distribution of blessed palm will be reserved for a later date.

There will be no public access to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul during this Mass in keeping with the commitment of the Archdiocese to protect public health during the COVID-19 pandemic. **(mult-box feed available)**

CHRISM MASS

Monday, April 6, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will celebrate the Chrism Mass in a private manner at the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul.

During this Mass, Archbishop Pérez will bless the Oil of Catechumens as well as the Oil of the Sick and consecrate the Oil of Chrism. These Holy Oils will be used at parishes throughout the Archdiocese during the coming year in the celebration of the Sacraments. Until these Holy Oils can be safely distributed within the Archdiocese, parishes and institutions are to continue the use of the old oils into Easter Time. Liturgical Music will be provided by the Cathedral Parish Liturgical musicians while keeping with social distancing requirements.

There will be no public access to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul during this Mass in keeping with the commitment of the Archdiocese to protect public health during the COVID-19 pandemic. **(mult-box feed available)**

The Chrism Mass will be streamed live at <http://archphila.org> as well as on Archbishop Pérez's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez.

SCHEDULE FOR THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

April 9, 2020 – April 12, 2020

N.B. There will be no public access to the Cathedral Basilica of Saints Peter and Paul during the Sacred Paschal Triduum in keeping with the commitment of the Archdiocese to protect public health during the COVID-19 pandemic.

HOLY THURSDAY MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

April 9, 2020 at 7:30 p.m.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist. This Mass commemorates the Last Supper, during which Christ instituted the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist, the Sacrament of Holy Orders, and gave us His commandment to love one another. The washing of feet, which is always optional, will not be performed during this celebration. Liturgical Music will be provided by the Cathedral Parish Liturgical musicians while keeping with social distancing requirements. This Mass will be streamed live on the Archdiocese website <http://archphila.org> as well as on Archbishop Pérez's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez. **(mult-box feed available)**

GOOD FRIDAY CELEBRATION OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

April 10, 2020 at 3:00 p.m.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will preside and preach at this Celebration of the Passion of the Lord, commemorating the Holy Passion and Death of Jesus Christ. Liturgical music will be provided by the Cathedral Parish Liturgical musicians while keeping with social distancing requirements. This liturgy will be streamed live on the Archdiocese website <http://archphila.org> as well as on Archbishop Pérez's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez.

EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT, HOLY SATURDAY

April 11, 2020 at 8:00 p.m.

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the principal celebrant and homilist at the Easter Vigil Mass celebrating the Resurrection of the Lord. Liturgical music will be provided by the Cathedral Parish Liturgical musicians while keeping with social distancing requirements. This Mass will be streamed live on the Archdiocese website <http://archphila.org> as well as on Archbishop Pérez's Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez.

The Elect (unbaptized candidates) and Candidates (those baptized non-Catholic or baptized Roman Catholic) will receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation—Baptism, Confirmation, and the Eucharist at a time when it is permitted to gather publicly. In 2020, close to 450 new Catholics will be welcomed into the Church.

MASS SCHEDULE FOR EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

April 12, 2020 at 11:00 a.m.

EASTER SUNDAY SOLEMN MASS

Archbishop Nelson J. Pérez will be the celebrant and homilist at this Mass of Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord. Liturgical music will be provided by the Cathedral Parish Liturgical musicians while keeping with social distancing requirements.

This Mass will be streamed live on the Archdiocese website <http://archphila.org> as well as on Archdiocese Facebook pages:

www.facebook.com/ArchbishopPerez/

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Editor's Note: Video and audio mult-box clean feeds are available for all Holy Week Masses with multiple HD-SDI video (BNC) and mic/line (XLR) connections.

For all the Holy Week events media trucks can access an external mult-box in the parking lot at the rear of the Cathedral. The mult-box features both Program and Cleanfeed 1080i video with embedded audio (BNC) and Program audio (XLR). Broadcast Media outlets will have parking space in the Archdiocesan Pastoral Center parking lot. The parking lot entrance is located on 17th Street.

The embed code is below:

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This is the link for all of the live streamed events for Holy Week: <https://vimeo.com/event/17522>

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