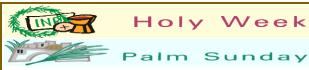
Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

March 24, 2024

Hosanna, Hosanna!



Sun 24 Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

08:00 am +Gilbert & June Leyendecker (Sandy Leyendecker)

- +Elia Perez (Armando & Nena Colchado)
- +Alicia Perez (Armando & Nena Colchado)

Thr 28 Mass of the Lord's Supper

06:00 pm +Gilbert & June Leyendecker (Sandy Leyendecker)

Fri 29 Liturgy of the Word/Veneration of the

06:00 pm Cross/Holy Communion





Sat 30 The Easter Vigil of the Holy Night

07:00 pm +Javier Mancha (Zamora Family)

+Maria Louisa Castillo (Armando & Nena Colchado)

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Worldly glory is fleeting. Christ enters into Jerusalem to the tune of crowds chanting, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" Only five days later, the same crowd cries, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" How their fickleness contrasts with the constancy of Jesus, for he remains faithful, humble, "obedient to death, even death on a cross." Despite beatings, insults, and spitting, Jesus knows full well that he will "not be put to shame." United to him, neither will we. In his Passion, we find forgiveness of our sins and the strength to rise above persecution, injustice, and suffering.

The Sanctuary Candle



This Week will be Burning for

+All Souls in Purgatory (Sandra Leyendecker)

Good News!

March 24, 2024

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (B)
Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16 / Isaiah 50:4-7 /
Philippians 2:6-11 / Mark 14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

FR. JOSEPH JUKNIALIS

Tenzin Kiyosaki is a former Buddhist nun who now works as an interfaith chaplain at a medical center in Los Angeles. There she tends to the spiritual needs of patients who have less than six months to live. When her brother asked her what it was that dying patients talk about, it led to her book *The Three Regrets: Inspirational Stories and Practical Advice for Love and Forgiveness at Life's End.* The three regrets she lists are: 1) I did not live the life of my dreams; 2) I did not share my love; and 3) I did not forgive. All too easily it seems we become preoccupied with what in the end becomes peripheral to what we really seek in life.

Today we tell the story of how Jesus' life of loving others came to its final conclusion, one of sacrificial love to the point of death. He came to reveal how such love is an essential dimension of the presence of God at the heart of every human life, and a cornerstone of the kingdom of God he proclaimed and to which he gave his life.

To the end, even on the cross, forgiveness was an essential aspect of his life of loving others. The very realities of what Jesus' life was all about are the same hungers we so often fail to recognize as we live our lives, though it is what he continually preached. Coming face to face with our own mortality seems to make his message most real. ●

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LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Olga Gonzalez, Cristina Zarate, Mina Aldaco, Mario Garcia, Ramona Alaniz, Edna Flores, Ana Maria Finley, Mary G. Finley, Margarita Inocencio, Lucia Rodriguez, Maria Teresa Cassiano, Dotty Guffey, and Rodrigo Medina.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION: THE HOLY LAND

During this Lenten Season, the Church through tradition turns her eyes towards the sites made Holy by the life and labor of Jesus Christ. Therefore, it is so very fitting that on Good Friday, March 29, when our attention is on our Lord's Passion and Crucifixion, we are asked to take up the annual collection for the Holy Land. With this collection, we can protect more than the stones of ancient shrines. We can physically benefit the persons living in the Holy Land with support for various pastoral, social and educational institutions. Let us contribute to the success of the Holy Land Collection through our expressions of charitable concern. Thank you very much for your generosity to this most important collection. Fr. Nolasco



Holy Week Schedule March 24 – March 30

Holy Thursday-Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6p

Good Friday–Liturgy of the Word/Veneration of the Cross/Communion at 6p

Holy Saturday-Easter Vigil of the Holy Night at 7p

HOLY WEEK AND THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week and leads to the celebration of the **Sacred Paschal Triduum**: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday.

There is a dual nature to the liturgy of Palm Sunday. On this day we hear two Gospels: the gospel story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem at the beginning of Mass; and the proclamation of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ during the Liturgy of the Word. The joyful shouts of "Hosanna" are soon replaced with "Let him be crucified!"

The Sacred Paschal Triduum is the central liturgical celebration of the Roman Catholic Church. The three liturgies of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil are, in fact, ONE continuous liturgy that commemorates the passion, death, and resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Holy Thursday

"This is my body that is for you. . . This cup is the new covenant in my blood. . . Do this in remembrance of me." –1 Corinthians 11:23-26

Good Friday

"Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world. –Adoration of the Cross

Easter Vigil

"This is the night, when Christ broke the prison-bars of death and rose victorious from the underworld."–Exsultet: The Easter Proclamation

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Last Sunday's Collection
Envelopes: \$ 663.00
Loose: \$ 00.00
Children's Envelopes: \$ 00.00

Total Sunday Collection: \$ 663.00

Total Expenses Last Week: \$ 3,988.47

Dear Padre

March 24, 2024

I am the divorced mother of three young children. My daughter is making her first Communion and I want to go to Communion with her. But I haven't been to Mass in three years because of my divorce. I am nervous and embarrassed about returning to the Church. What can I do?

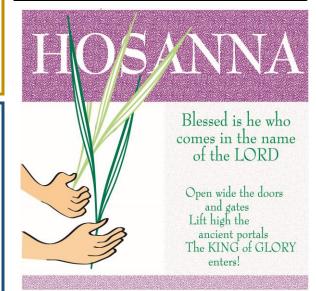
Sharing in your daughter's preparation for holy Communion is a lovely desire and a good chance to look closely at your own faith; it may be the "little push" you need. She needs to see in you someone who has faith and is committed to the Church. Taking your children to Mass each Sunday is a good start.

You mentioned that you haven't been to church in three years because of your divorce. You may be confused about the teachings of the Church concerning divorce. Divorced Catholics are still full members of the Church and can receive holy Communion. If you have remarried outside the Church, it is a more complicated issue, yet not hopeless.

Since you haven't been to Mass in three years, the first step is to talk to your pastor or another priest with whom you feel comfortable. Be honest. Explain why you have stayed away from the Church. Then set up a time to go to confession. And please don't be ashamed or embarrassed about coming back to church. No matter how long it has been, the Church welcomes you home.

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