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MARCH 25, 2018 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



Vigil, "the night of nights." The heart of Christianity and of our Church, it is Easter!





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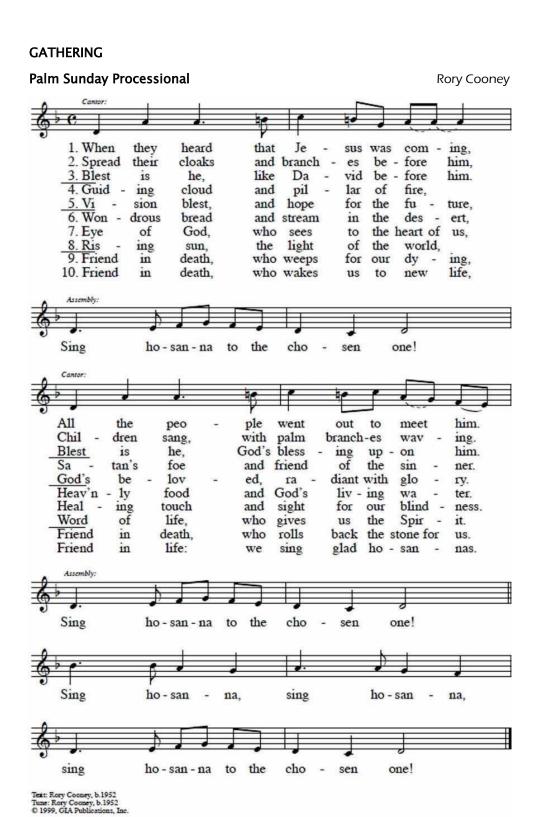


Gospel at the Procession with Palms

Mark 11:9-10

"Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is to come! Hosanna in the highest!"



First Reading Second Reading Gospel Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Mark14:1-15:47

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 22: My God, My God

Christopher Walker



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"Christ became

obedient to the point of death, even death

on a cross.

Because of this,

God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name."

Philippians 2:8-9

INTERCESSION RESPONSE

A Celtic Rune

Lord, in your mercy, Lord, hear our prayer.

PREPARATION OF THE ALTAR AND GIFTS

What Wondrous Love Is This Lamb of God

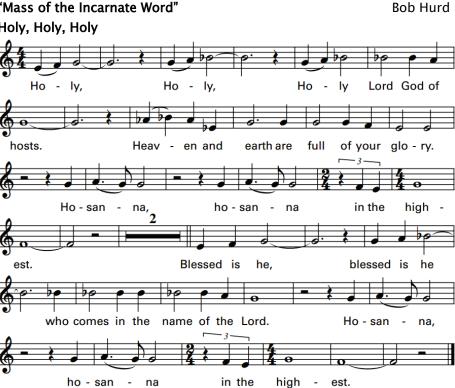
Gather #642 Twila Paris

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EUCHARISTIC ACCLAMATIONS

"Mass of the Incarnate Word"

Holy, Holy, Holy



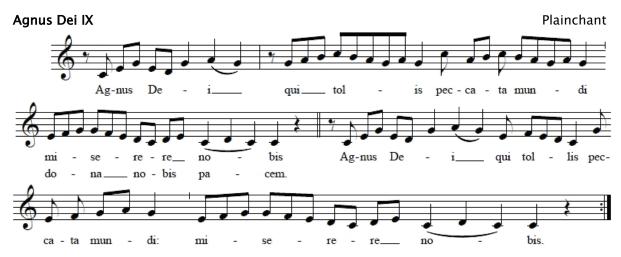
Memorial Acclamation



Amen

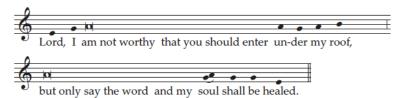


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Agnus Dei, quitolis peccata mundi / Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world miserere nobis / have mercy on us dona nobis pacem / grant us peace

Invitation to Communion



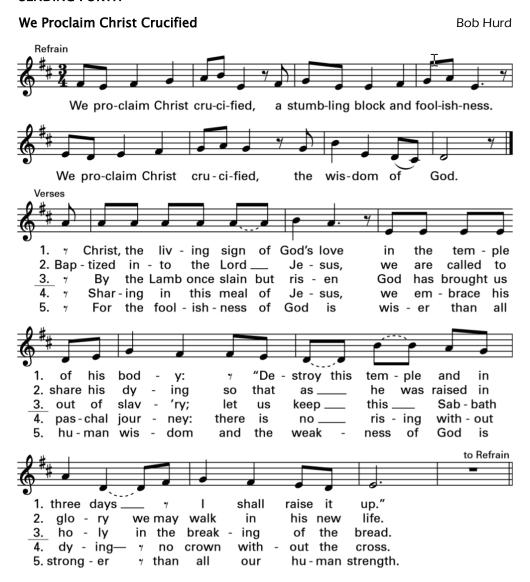
COMMUNION SONGS

Now We Remain 5:00—Do This In Memory of Me 9:00—Were You There 11:00—O Sacred Head

David Haas, Gather **#785** Chris Muglia Raymond Haan Bob Hurd



SENDING FORTH



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Dear Friends,

During these weeks of Lent, we've been preparing ourselves through fasting, prayer, and almsgiving so that we might open ourselves more fully to God's presence in our lives. This has been a journey. So here we are now on Palm Sunday, hearing the story of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem, his passion and his death. It's a story we've *heard* many times before. We know how it begins and how it ends. But I invite you to consider *experiencing* Jesus' journey, passion, death, and resurrection this Holy Week.

Today, like the crowds of Jesus' time, we carry palms and praise him but during the Passion we are reminded that we are all sinners in need of God's salvation. *Today put your palms in a place that will be a constant reminder of your journey from the darkness of sin to God's eternal light.*

In Monday's gospel, we hear the story of Jesus' meal with Lazarus, Martha, and Mary. Judas the Iscariot criticizes Jesus for allowing Mary to use a costly perfumed oil to anoint his feet when it could have been sold "for three hundred days wages and given to the poor." Jesus responds, "You always have the poor with you, but you do not always have me." This is our reminder that we will never lack opportunities to give ourselves in imitation of Jesus to serve the poor. *This week share more of your God-given gifts to help those in need.*

In John's account of the Last Supper in Tuesday's gospel, Jesus announces that one of his disciples will betray him, leaving them all asking, "Is it I?" We know how the story goes: Judas betrays Jesus for thirty pieces of silver. But, really, haven't we all betrayed Jesus at one time or another in our lives? *Today, identify and resolve to overcome those behaviors that betray God.*

In Wednesday's gospel, Jesus instructs his disciples to prepare a place for the Passover meal, his Last Supper. Today is a good day to reflect on how this Lenten journey has helped us prepare a room for Jesus in our lives. *Identify what worked and how you can continue that practice beyond Easter.*

On Holy Thursday we celebrate the Last Supper, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrament in which we receive his body and blood, and the priesthood through the washing of the disciples' feet. This evening we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper (7:00pm), a beautiful liturgy that reminds us of our call to be Jesus' disciples, washing the feet of others in service and receiving the life giving food that sustains us in that service. *This evening is a good opportunity to renew or commit to being a true disciple of Jesus*.

Our Holy Week journey continues to Good Friday, the day Jesus suffered and died. Make a commitment to experience the Lord's passion by attending one of our Good Friday liturgies (12:00 or 7:00pm) and the Living Stations of the Cross (1:45pm). Reflect today on how you have grown closer to God through your experience of physical or emotional suffering.

Holy Saturday is the night in which God turned death to life. Appropriately, at the Easter Vigil, we baptize new Christians and accept them into full communion with the church. Through the waters of baptism, they "die" to their old life and joyfully join themselves to Christ, to new life. If you've never been to an Easter Vigil, I invite you next Saturday (7:30pm). This night discern what needs to die in your life so that you may be joined more fully with Christ.

By experiencing Holy Week and allowing ourselves to enter into Jesus' suffering, we can truly experience the joy of Easter

Sunday when resurrected life begins, when love and light triumph over sin and darkness. At our Easter morning liturgy, the "Alleluia" will never sound so good or be more profound in our hearts.

Siempre Adelante,

Teresa Runyon Faith Life Minister

Adults

Meditative Movement ~ March 27

All men and women are invited to join certified instructor Sheila Montgomery for Tai Chi. Every Tuesday, 2:00 -3:00pm in the Serra Center. \$5 donation/class.

Men's Ministry ~ March 28

Illuman is a ministry for men, by men, to honor the uniqueness of male spirituality. Monthly group gatherings are designed to help guys become better, more authentic men. 7:00pm.

Dave dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com

Bundle Sunday ~ April 15

Donate your gently used clothing, books, and household/kitchen items to St. Vincent de Paul. The donation truck will be in the east parking lot 8:00am-12:30pm. Questions: Liz@padreserra.org

Men's Retreat ~ April 20-22

Simply stated, faith is trust when we say yes to the invitation to enter a loving relationship with God. At times faith feels like a celebration and all is well. Other times we face spiritual darkness and doubt. This silent retreat at Mater Dolorosa in Sierra Madre will focus on growing in faith in the good and difficult times.

Dave: (805) 558·7868, dave.mccormick.mba@gmail.com

Seniors

Seniors Adaptive Exercise Class ~ March 28

All seniors are invited to an adaptive exercise class. Meets every Wednesday, 8:45-9:30am in the Santa Barbara room. Marg (805) 405·9901

Support Ministries

Bereavement Support Group ~ April 5

We offer support to those who have lost a loved one. 1st & 3rd Thursday, 9:00am.

Betty Bright-Martinez (805) 482·0156 bbright41@verizon.net

Cancer Support Group ~ March 27

Embracing Your Journey provides hope, empowerment, love and prayer in a comforting atmosphere of encouragement. It is a safe environment for people touched by cancer to connect with others in a productive and spiritual way. 4th Tuesday, 7:00pm. Lou Ann (805) 551·8014

Caregivers Support Group~ March 27

Caritas offers support to those who are caring for an aging parent, relative, or spouse. 4thTuesday, 7:00pm. Patricia Sentianin sentclan@gmail.com

Many Meals of Camarillo provides hot meals, food, and other life essentials for those struggling to make ends meet. Meals are served twice a week 5:00-6:15pm on Mondays at St. Mary Magdalen Church and Thursdays at Trinity Presbyterian Church. Pat Yost (805) 388·8742

Open Hearts (LGBT) is a support ministry where LGBT brothers, sisters, and their families and friends in Christ are welcome and a safe harbor to explore spirituality and share experiences, strength, and hope. openheartspadreserra@gmail.com

Career Transitions Ministry helps the unemployed and underemployed focus their job search, improve resume and interview skills, network. Steven careertransitions@padreserra.org

Good Samaritans offers assistance with meals to those who are recovering from illness, accidents, injuries, and surgeries. Gwen Ripplinger (805) 797.6864 or Denise Ginty (805) 388.3897

St. Vincent de Paul offers tangible assistance to those in need on a person-to-person basis. Aid may take the form of intervention, consultation, or often through direct dollar or in-kind service. Those in need of assistance should call (805) 504·4753.

Pastoral Care is available in the parish office with Teresa Runyon, Faith Life Minister. Teresa will help to discern your needs and provide referrals to our many support ministries, clergy or other resources. teresa@padreserra.org

Children

Little Church ~ March 25 and April 8, 15, 29

Sunday preschool and kindergarten during the 9:00am and 11:00am Masses. Be sure to register your child as soon as they turn 3. Info: Soraya@padreserra.org

Spark! ~ **Happy Easter!**

Centers resume April 9 and 11.

Three:Sixteen ~ March 28

This week kids will prepare for Holy Week and loving God with all our being.

High School

PSP Youth Prayer Service ~ March 28

All high school teens, meet Brett and the Young Adults for a special Holy Week Reflection and Guided Meditation. 7:00pm in SJC.

Confirmation Y2

No sessions this Sunday. Make time to visit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament chapel or the Stations of the Cross garden.

Confirmation Y1~ Keep up with your weekly ministry

Make time to visit with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament chapel or the Stations of the Cross garden.

Families

Spark! Needs Your Help

Children's Faith Formation Spark! is in need of parent volunteers who are able to sub a center on an as-needed basis. This is low-level responsibility and high level, just be present to the kids. Put your name on the call list, please contact Tere@padreserra.org.

Becoming Catholic ~ RCIA

Is the Catholic Church Right for You?

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic Church? Do you have questions about what the Church teaches about suffering, hope and forgiveness? Do you wonder why we worship as we do, what happens at confession, why the Blessed Virgin Mary is so important to Catholics? These and many other topics are explored on Tuesday evenings at the parish in an informal setting. Come and see. For more information, please contact Catherine Shadduck at catherine@padreserra.org or (805) 482·6417 ext 331.

Faith Sharing

Reflection questions for every gathering around any table. Jesus dies for us ~ Mark 14:1-15:47

Every Palm Sunday we hear the story of Jesus' passion and death. Have I ever felt abandoned by God? Looking back on that time now, do I have a sense of how God was still present and active then? How? Thinking of people in my life who are suffering or despairing for any reason, how might I make myself available to them so they'll know they are not alone?

Our Giving

Holy Thursday Collection ~ March 29

Jesus himself spent a night in jail. This special collection supports prison ministry in the Archdiocese, including the youth correctional facility here in Camarillo.

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection ~ March 30

Pope Francis asks us to support this collection which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace. Please send help using the envelopes in the church lobby. For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit myfranciscan.org/good-friday

Box Tops for Education!

Help our school! St. Mary Magdalen School, transitional kindergarten (TK) through grade 8, earns money by collecting Box Tops. Each box top is worth 10 cents. This is an easy and great way to help our school earn money. Please collect your box tops and turn them into the parish office.

Set it and Forget it: Online Giving

Go to the parish website or contact Pam Kingsley pam@padreserra.org to learn how to sign up. Two hundred and fourteen Padre Serra households use online giving successfully.

One Can Make a Difference

Remember our friends and neighbors served by our food pantry. All the items you place in the boxes in church are taken over to our centralized storage at St. Mary's Chapel on Sunday afternoon. Every Monday food is bagged and distributed to families in need.

Our Prayer Life

Pray for Our Sick

Dalia Amaya, Edward Barrier, Teresa Barrier, Tony Canzano, Glenda Duarte, Connie Flores, Shirley Francis, Bruce Gibson, baby Melanie Giles, Nurit Holzmann, Susan Houlihan, Don Johnson, Jaden Lem, Salomon Magana, Ailish McAlorum, Bob McDonough, Steve Mehr, Frances Mullen, Arisa Namioka, Antonio Ochoa, Mike Pfeil, Benita Ramirez, Dorothy Reason-Bailey, Javier Reyes, Martha Reyes, Arceli Sarino, baby James Scott, Meagan Scott, Larry Sedillo, Dorothy Simmons and Michael Woronoff. (Names are refreshed monthly.)

Remember Our Dead

Prayers for family and friends of those who have died recently. May they enjoy peace in their life with Christ Jesus.

Prayer Opportunities

Daily Readings: www.usccb.org

Morning Prayer: Monday – Friday 7:45am, Church

Rosary: Monday – Friday 8:30am, Church

Our Lady of Perpetual Help: Wednesdays 6:30pm, Church Centering Prayer: Wednesdays 6:45pm, Brides Room Adoration: First Fridays 2:00pm-7:00pm, Chapel

Prayer Chain: prayers anytime

Bette 482-0067 bette_church@hotmail.com Shirley 482-2617 brownshehorn@gmail.com

Mass Intentions: Monthly list is available in the parish office.

Protect the Children

Teach Children Gratitude

Gratitude is one of life's greatest virtues. Teaching children to recognize the many blessings in their lives helps them to have grateful hearts. Modeling gratitude at home can help children learn what to value and be grateful for, and learn to avoid the things that are not valuable or worthy of their time and interest.

Other Notes

Holy Week Office Hours

The office will close on Good Friday, March 30 at 12:00pm and on Easter Sunday.

Website ~ Calendar

Did you know you can see the parish calendar on the website? All meetings, faith formation, even funerals are on the parish calendar. From the same page, you can choose presider's schedule. The parish website is full of great info! www.padreserra.org → Engage → Parish Calendar

Lost and Found

Have you lost a pair of glasses, a sweater or maybe car keys? The Lost and Found basket is located on the east side of the main church doors or please stop by the office to inquire.



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Resurrection Garden Activity, March 25 After the 11:00am mass Back yard, behind the Serra Center

Holy Wednesday, March 28

PSP Youth Prayer Service (High School) 7:00pm, San Juan Capistrano room All high school teens, meet Brett and the Young Adults for a special Holy Week Reflection and Guided Meditation.

Holy Thursday, March 29

Mass of the Lord's Supper, Washing of the Feet, **Community Adoration** 7:00pm

Good Friday, March 30

Celebration of the Lord's Passion & Veneration of the Cross 12:00pm and 7:00pm

Living Stations of the Cross

1:45pm, Serra Center patio A moving portrayal bringing us into Jesus' passion and death. Bring a chair.

Holy Saturday, March 31

Easter Vigil 7:30pm

Begins with bonfire in the courtyard.

Easter Sunday, April 1

Liturgies

7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am Church 9:15am, 11:15am Serra Center

or all of these liturgies and devotions as we travel to the hope of Jesus' resurrection on Easter Sunday.



Veneration of the Cross Reverencing the cross through a touch or a kiss at the Good Friday liturgy.

