

SAINT AMBROSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

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Scripture Insights

On Palm Sunday, the Scripture readings invite us into the passion (that is, the suffering) of Jesus during his final week on earth. Jesus initially enters Jerusalem in joy. The crowd that has accompanied Jesus on his journey from Galilee into the holy city hails Jesus as the royal Son of David, using a line from Psalm 118. The city residents identify Jesus simply as a prophet which is true but inadequate. Jesus is the king, promised by the prophet Zechariah, who comes to the city not on a warhorse but in peace, on a humble donkey.

Jesus' arrival as a gentle king, not a warrior-king, is echoed in the second and third readings. Jesus takes up the role of the "suffering servant" described in the prophet Isaiah, a servant who refuses to take vengeance on those who harm him. The apostle Paul shows even more clearly how Jesus renounces his power, rather than seizing his status and using it to his advantage. Jesus empties himself and is born as a slave—not only as a mortal human being, but a human on the lowest rung of the socioeconomic ladder. Jesus self-emptying is completed when he submits himself to a painful and humiliating death, a public execution as a criminal.

The Gospel reading narrates this renunciation of power, this refusal to strike back against those who harm, beginning with the betrayal of Judas and the denial of Peter, continuing with Jesus' arrest and trials, and culminating in the crucifixion and Jesus' burial. The last line of the Matthew reading has a grim finality to it: the Roman soldiers, representatives of the mightiest empire on earth at the time, secure the tomb with a stone and their armed presence. With that, we enter into the long silence of Holy Saturday.

"My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

First Reading: Matthew 21: 1-11

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27 or Matthew 27: 11-54



As Catholics, we believe that Jesus is truly present in the Consecrated Host received in Holy Communion, reserved in the Tabernacle, and exposed in the during Adoration.

You are warmly invited to join us for **Eucharistic Adoration** every Tuesday following the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

Come spend time with Our Lord and experience the peace that only He can give.

MASS TIMES:

Sunday 10:00 a.m.. (Livestreamed) & 5:00 p.m.
Monday-Friday: 6:00 p.m.

ADORATION: Every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m.

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. or by

BAPTISMS

By Appointment

MARRIAGE

Arrangements 6 months in advance

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK & FUNERAL

Call the Parish Office

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bulletin on our website at any time**

FLOCKNOTE

Sign up for information and upcoming events
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Stations of the Cross

Join us every Friday of Lent through April 3rd after the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

Have You Remembered Your Parish or School in Your WILL or TRUST? For information, please contact the Planned Giving Office 213-637-7504 PlannedGiving@LA-Archdiocese.org

PRAY FOR YOUR PARISH FINANCES

"Give to the Most High as He has given to you, generously, according to your means. For the Lord is one who always repays and he will give back sevenfold. (Sirach 35)

OFFERTORY

03/22/26 Offertory	\$ 1,058.00
03/22/26 Online	\$ 1,520.00

Total: \$2,578.00

Thank you for your faithful support
That keeps our parish alive



Holy Thursday, April 2
Mass of the Last Supper at 7:00 p.m.
Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 10:00 p.m.

Good Friday, April 3
Veneration of the Cross at 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 4
Easter Vigil 8:00 p.m.

Easter Sunday, April 5
Masses: 10:00 a.m., 12:00 noon and 5:00 p.m.

"TRIDUUM, a Three-Day Journey to Triumph, a Dramatic Reading with Hymns, Poetry, Scripture and Prose Narrating the 3-Day Celebration of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ"

Sunday, March 29
After the 10:00 a.m. mass
Palm Sunday Presentation – All Are Invited

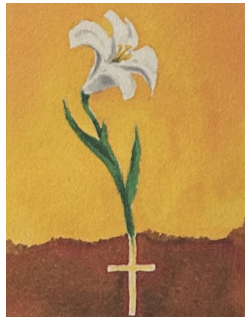


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CRS Rice Bowl
Answering Jesus' Invitation Through CRS Rice Bowl

At this very moment, millions of our most vulnerable sisters and brothers are experiencing life-threatening levels of hunger, food insecurity and malnutrition. While there is no one solution to breaking the cycle of hunger, we can make a difference by answering Jesus' invitation to us to share Bread for Life with our global family—so all may live with dignity.

Please make your donations through April 3, 2026.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY.

Please turn in your Rice Bowl during any Sunday Mass. You may also donate online by visiting stambrosewcho.org. Click on the Giving tab, then select the Online Giving icon and choose Rice Bowl.

Please submit your donations by Friday, April 3, 2026.

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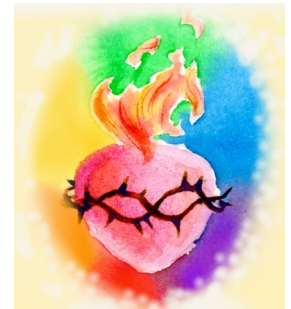
Sunday, March 29
Following the 5pm Mass

Please bring simple snacks (finger food is best) or non-alcoholic beverages to share.

All are welcome.

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For more information, please visit www.cmlgp.org



Good Friday Collection for the Holy Land.

Every parish in the Archdiocese has received a special invitation to share in this program.

This collection is for the support of the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational, and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

The principal purpose of is to help stem the Christian exodus from the Holy Land by providing programs and projects that serve as incentives for Christians to remain.