

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

MARCH 24, 2024

I will place my law within them and write it upon their hearts; I will be their God, and they shall be my people.

— *Jeremiah 31:33*

HOLY WEEK

For the Palm Sunday Gospel, we return to the Gospel according to Mark. The account of the Passion takes up nearly one-third of Mark's entire Gospel and, of all the evangelists, he is the one who presents the details most graphically. He depicts the humanity of Jesus most intensely, describing his sufferings thoroughly. Mark portrays Jesus as a complete fulfillment of the "Suffering Servant" of Isaiah, the obedient, humble slave dying on a cross of whom Paul speaks in Philippians. But it is important to remember that we call this "Holy Week" and not "sad week" or "suffering week," for each of the readings today, even the lamentations of the psalm, end in the promise of the strength and hope that is granted by God to those who faithfully give of themselves in love. As we enter into this week through these readings, we must reflect deeply on the sufferings of Jesus, but still be confident in the joy of risen, eternal life that awaits all of us who faithfully walk with him through these days.

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TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Mark (Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1-39]).

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
Monday: Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week;
Thursday: Holy Thursday; The Sacred Paschal Triduum
Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday);
Fast and Abstinence
Saturday: Holy Saturday; The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

~~~~~PRAYER CORNER~~~~~

A PRAYER TO ASK FOR HEALING FROM PHYSICAL PAIN

Today, I feel pain just as You felt the pain of the Crown of thorns in Your flesh, O Lord.

I know that disease is one aspect of being human.

*I need Your help to accept this pain with love and understanding. Help me, Lord, increase my faith and continue to put my trust in You. Through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday: Parishioners of St. Edward's Parish
Monday: *Funeral*
Tuesday: *No Mass*
Wednesday: Lily Kaiser Birthday & Anniversary †
Susanne Kaiser Anniversary †
Matt Martin Birthday †
Pat & Bonnie Birthdays †
Eric Riley 12th Anniversary †
Justin 2nd Anniversary †
In honor of the Infant Jesus of Prague and St. Joseph for all the sick and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thursday: *Holy Thursday*
Friday: *Good Friday*
Saturday: John & Bessie Riley Anniversaries †
Pat Doc & Jenny O'Hara †
Matt Martin 2nd Anniversary

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA

The Catholic Appeal of South Carolina (CASC) is the primary source of funding for many critical ministries. We are impacting the lives of our brothers and sisters both spiritually and physically – but there is still much to do. We must continue to fund programs focused on charitable works, outreach, education, and evangelization. Every gift to the CASC allows us to continue to fulfill the mission that has been entrusted to us. Your participation is highly appreciated and let us reach our goal by fulfilling the pledge and generous contribution. Thank you for your continued generosity and support.

JOKE OF THE WEEK

A little boy was waiting for his mother to come out of the grocery store. As he waited, he was approached by a man who asked, "Son, can you tell me where the post office is?"

"Sure," the little boy replied. "Just go straight down this street a couple of blocks and turn to your right."

The man thanked the boy kindly and said, "I'm the new pastor in town. I'd like for you to come to church on Sunday. I'll tell you how to get to heaven."

"Aww, come on," the little boy replied with a chuckle. "You don't even know the way to the post office."

EASTER EGG HUNT will be held on Easter Sunday at 5:00 P.M.

OUR GIFTS RECORD

	Offertory	Development
Last Week's Collection	\$2,498.00	\$1,382.00
Number of Families contributing	94	76
Total Pledge for 2024	\$157,619.00	\$159,756.00
Pledged to Date (11 Weeks)	\$34,373.00	\$34,747.00
Received to Date	\$28,147.00	\$21,204.00
Envelopes Outstanding	\$6,226.00	\$13,543.00

LADIES OFFERTORY RECORD

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2024
\$385.00	\$3,916.00

35 ladies contributed last week.

PARISH LIFE CENTER HALL FUND WEEKLY REPORT

Amount given last week	Amount given to Date in 2024
\$0.00	\$660.00

No one made a P.L.C. contribution last week.

CATHOLIC APPEAL OF SOUTH CAROLINA (BAA)

Amount given to date	2024 GOAL
\$395.00	\$17,862.00

POOR BOX totaled \$50.00.

5 CHILDREN contributed \$22.00.

FLOWERS IN THE CHURCH ARE OFFERED BY:

1. Black Pete, Bridgette Anna, and Juda in thanks for Johnny Ringo on his 16th Birthday;
2. Ralph & Rose in loving memory of Justin on the 2nd Anniversary of his death;
3. Ned Jarrett and Sage in loving memory of Eric on the 12th Anniversary of his death;
4. Jimmy Jay & Mary Melissa in loving memory of Pat Major Sherlock on the 4th Anniversary of his death;
5. the Rouks in loving memory of Mary Francis on the 5th Anniversary of her death and Pete Rouk on the 55th Anniversary of his death;
6. the Family of High's Rosie in loving memory of her on the 8th Anniversary of her death;
7. the Family of Petie Webb in loving memory of him on the 1st Anniversary of his death;
8. and a Parish Family Member in thanks to St. Expedite.

CHURCH OFFICE will be closed this Thursday, March 28th and will reopen Monday, April 1st.

SPECIAL COLLECTION The collection on Good Friday will be for the *Holy Land*. Please be generous.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE The Banns of Marriage are announced for the second time for Tommy Joe Riley and Carol Ann Carroll.

EASTER LILIES It is asked that each family donate \$10 for the Easter lilies. Please give your donation to Duggan's Mary Rita, Bridget Rita, or the Church Office.

THANK YOU to a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Expedite; a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Francis of Assisi; a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Padre Pio; and a parish member for a donation in thanks to St. Joseph.

CHRISM MASS St. Edward's is invited to participate with Bishop Jacques Fabre-Jeune, CS and the priests of this Diocese in the Chrism Mass this Tuesday, March 26, 2024, at 11:00 a.m. in the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist in Charleston. The blessing of Holy oils for the entire Diocese takes place at this Mass.

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Week, the greatest week for Christians begins with Palm Sunday and ends with Easter. During this week, the Church commemorates the Passion of Christ, and all ceremonies reflect the attitude of sorrow yet joined with gratitude for God's mercy in becoming man in order to suffer and die for the sins of mankind.

There will be no Mass on Tuesday of Holy Week.

Penance Service, March 27th

5:30 P.M.

Holy Thursday, Mar. 28th

5:00 P.M. Lord's Supper Mass
Washing of the Feet

Adoration: Until Midnight

Community Adoration:

11 P.M. – 12 A.M.

Good Friday, March 29th

3:00 P.M. Liturgy of the Passion, Holy Communion, Stations of the Cross, Veneration
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion lead the Stations of the Cross on Good Friday

Holy Saturday, March 30th

8:00 P.M. Easter Vigil Services

Easter Sunday, March 31st

10:00 A.M. Mass

READERS

Sat. Mar. 23rd, 4:00 P.M.

1st Reading Leah

2nd Reading Dayna

Narrator Dayna

Speaker Leah

Sun. Mar. 24th, 10:00 A.M.

1st Reading Jimmy Joseph

2nd Reading Lauren Ashley

Narrator Jimmy Joseph

Speaker Lauren Ashley

Sat. Mar. 30th, 8:00 P.M.

Proclamation Josie

1st Reading Montela

3rd Reading Leah

5th Reading Natalie

7th Reading Dynasty

Epistle Gracelynn

Sun. Mar. 31st, 10:00 A.M.

1st Reading Jimmy Joseph

2nd Reading Blue

Sequence Jimmy Joseph

READERS – WEEKDAYS

Monday	-	Lauren Ashley
Tuesday	-	Jack's Mary Rita
Wednesday	-	Gracelynn
Holy Thursday	-	Christina & Julie Ann
Good Friday	-	Leah & Rose Marie

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS - WEEKDAYS

Monday	-	Theresa Hun
Tuesday	-	Jack's Mary Rita
Wednesday	-	Ann Rita
Thursday	-	Cathy Carroll
Friday	-	Rosie Cat

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS – WEEKEND

Saturday 4:00 P.M.

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March 23rd

Theresa Hun

Cathy Carroll

Sunday 10:00 A.M.

March 24th

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March 31st

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