

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9





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#### **Instrumental Prelude**

## The COMMEMORATION of the LORD'S ENTRANCE into JERUSALEM

\*At the 11:00 Mass the Solemn Procession will begin in the courtyard.\*

## **Entrance Antiphon**

Please stand



#### Invocation

## **Blessing of Palms**

## **Gospel -** *Matthew* 21:1-11

When Jesus and the disciples drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once." This happened so that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

#### Invitation

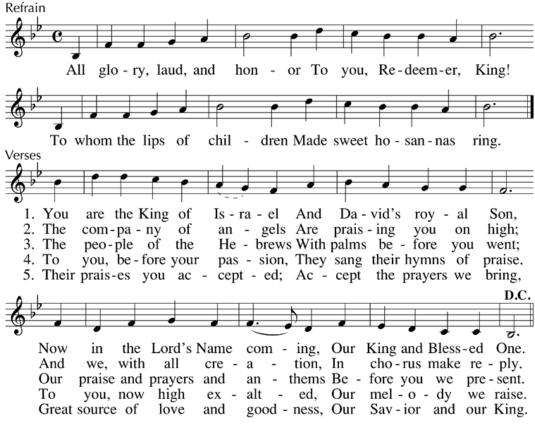
**Celebrant** Dear brothers and sisters, like the crowds who acclaimed Jesus in Jersualem, let us go

forth in peace.

People In the name of Christ. Amen.



**Hymn to Christ the King** – *All Glory, Laud, and Honor* 



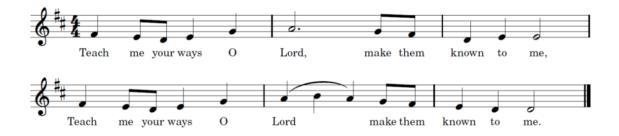
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## Collect

#### Please sit

## THE LITURGY of the WORD

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** – *Teach Me Your Ways O Lord*, Stevens/Henderson (9:00)



## First Reading — Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced; I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.



My God, my God, why have you a - ban-doned me?

All who see me deride me; they curl their lips, they toss their heads:

"He trusted in the LORD, let him save him; let him release him, for in him he delights." R.

For dogs have surrounded me; a band of the wicked besets me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet; I can count every one of my bones. R. They divide my clothing among them, they cast lots for my robe.

But you, O LORD, do not stay afar off; my strength, make haste to help me! R.

I will tell of your name to my kin, and praise you in the midst of the assembly;

"You who fear the LORD, give him praise; all descendants of Jacob, give him glory;

revere him, all you descendants of Israel. R.

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## **Second Reading** — *Philippians* 2:6-11

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming 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, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

## **Verse before the Gospel** — *Philippians* 2:8-9

Please stand



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Verse:

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 that is above every name.



Sung Passion Gospels, ed. R. J. Batastini – Sun, 11:00

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

Jesus stood before the governor, Pontius Pilate, who questioned him, "Are you the king of the Jews?" Jesus said, "You say so." And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. Then Pilate said to him, "Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you?" But he did not answer him one word, so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now on the occasion of the feast the governor was accustomed to release to the crowd one prisoner whom they wished. And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So when they had assembled, Pilate said to them, "Which one do you want me to release to you, Barabbas, or Jesus called Christ?" For he knew that it was out of envy that they had handed him over. While he was still seated on the bench, his wife sent him a message, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man. I suffered much in a dream today because of him." The chief priests and the elders persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas but to destroy Jesus. The governor said to them in reply, "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?" They answered, "Barabbas!" Pilate said to them, "Then what shall I do with Jesus called Christ?" They all said, "Let him be crucified!" But he said, "Why? What evil has he done?" They only shouted the louder, "Let him be crucified!" When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of the crowd, saying, "I am innocent of this man's blood. Look to it yourselves." And the whole people said in reply, "His blood be upon us and upon our children." Then he released Barabbas to them, but after he had Jesus scourged, he handed him over to be crucified.

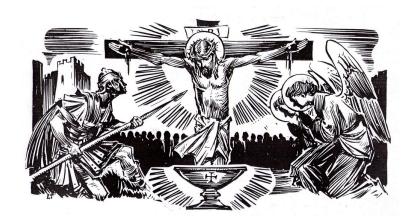
Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head, and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying, "Hail, King of the Jews!" They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to crucify him.

As they were going out, they met a Cyrenian named Simon; this man they pressed into service to carry his cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha — which means Place of the Skull —, they gave Jesus wine to drink mixed with gall. But when he had tasted it, he refused to drink. After they had crucified him, they divided his garments by casting lots; then they sat down and kept watch over him there. And they placed over his head the written charge against him: This is Jesus, the King of the Jews. Two revolutionaries were crucified with him, one on his right and the other on his left. Those passing by reviled him, shaking their heads and saying, "You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, and come down from the cross!" Likewise the chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him and said, "He saved others; he cannot save himself. So he is the king of Israel! Let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now if he wants him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.'" The revolutionaries who were crucified with him also kept abusing him in the same way.

From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice, "Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?" which means, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Some of the bystanders who heard it said, "This one is calling for Elijah." Immediately one of them ran to get a sponge; he soaked it in wine, and putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink. But the rest said, 'Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to save him." But Jesus cried out again in a loud voice, and gave up his spirit.

## Here all kneel and pause for a short time.

And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth quaked, rocks were split, tombs were opened, and the bodies of many saints who had fallen asleep were raised. And coming forth from their tombs after his resurrection, they entered the holy city and appeared to many. The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all that was happening, and they said, "Truly, this was the Son of God!"



Homily Please sit

Apostles' Creed Please stand

I believe in God, the Father almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
Was crucified, died and was buried;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the
right hand of God the Father almighty;
from there he will come to judge
the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

## Prayer of the Faithful

Announcements Please sit

## THE LITURGY of the EUCHARIST

## Preparation of the Gifts

**Offertory Anthem**When I Survey the Wondrous Cross, Brian Hanson (Sat, 5 PM and Sun, 9 AM)

O Come and Mourn with Me a While, Nicolai Montani, arr. Sedio (Sun, 11 AM)

Invitation to Prayer Please stand

*Priest*: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable

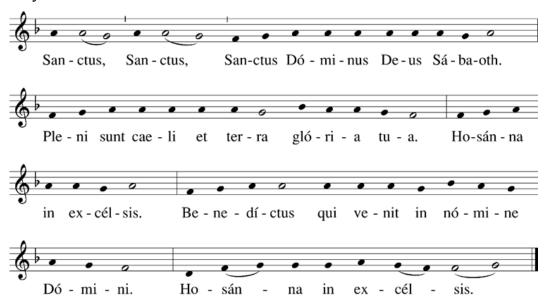
to God, the almighty Father.

Assembly: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory

of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

## Prayer over the Offerings

**Holy, Holy –** *Sanctus* from *Cantus Missae*, Richard Proulx



Music: Vatican Edition XVIII; acc. by Richard Proulx

#### Please kneel or be seated

**Mystery of Faith** – *Mass of St Theresa*, Covington



Great Amen – chant

Please stand

## THE COMMUNION RITE

Lord's Prayer

Sign of Peace

**Lamb of God** – *Agnus Dei from Cantus Missae*, Richard Proulx



Please kneel as you are able



## **Communion Antiphon**



**Prayer after Communion** 

Please stand

## THE CONCLUDING RITES

Prayer over the People

**Blessing and Dismissal** 

## **PARISH NEWS**

## ST. THERESA GOLF TOURNAMENT

Friday, May 19, 8 a.m., Lions Golf Course

The St. Theresa Golf Tournament is back! The format

is a 4-person scramble that will include drinks, lunch, after party, prizes and surprises! Registration is OPEN. Please scan the QR code for more details and to register.



# MONDAY MATINEE MOVIE: THE BEST YEARS OF OUR LIVES

Monday, April 3 at 2:30 p.m., Family Center
Released one year after WWII ended, this 1946
poignant drama is about three American servicemen
readjusting to civilian life after coming home from the
war. The film was a huge critical and commercial
success and won seven Academy Awards including
Best Picture, Best Director, Best Actor, and Best
Supporting Actor. Popcorn and cold drinks will be
served. RSVP Leslie Key at s.leslie9@gmail.com

## **VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL**

We are excited to announce that registration is now open to volunteer for Vacation Bible Study! We need YOU to help make VBS a resounding success as it requires 30 adult volunteers to make VBS happen. Parents, grandparents, family, and friends are all welcome and encouraged to volunteer their time. Students in Grades 6-12 are able to volunteer in several leadership and assistant roles as well. Sign up today at https://st-theresa.org/vacation-bible-school. Registration for K-5th participants will be open April 1-30.



## **STEWARDSHIP**

Recent Contributions
March 20-26: \$25,996

March: \$128,325

March Budgeted Offertory: \$172,224

Fiscal Year Summary

Fiscal Year '23 to date: \$1,465,825

Fiscal Year '23 Budget to date: \$1,574,720 FYTD Contributions vs. Budget: -\$108,896

## **STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

## Has This Ever Happened to You?

The ushers come forward to begin the offertory collection...You lean over and ask your spouse if they have the envelope? The reply may be that it was left on the table in the rush of getting out the door. Oops! No envelope to give this week. Check out an easier way to give.

Go to <u>st-theresa.org</u> and click on CHURCH GIVING at the bottom of the page to set up your weekly electronic gift or scan this QR code with your cell phone:



It's simple! It's safe! And it keeps God at the top of your giving list!

Contact:

Andrea Bizzanelli Chief Stewardship Officer abizzanelli@st-theresa.org (512)451-5121 x 1041

## Rest in Peace

Neil Martin

Joe Trochta

## LENT AT ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH

# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

#### **APRIL 2 - PALM SUNDAY**

- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m.
- Procession of the Palms at 11 a.m. Mass

#### **APRIL 6 - HOLY THURSDAY**

- HOLY THURSDAY Mass 7:00 p.m.
- Eucharist Adoration at the Altar of Repose until midnight in the gym

#### **APRIL 7 - GOOD FRIDAY**

- Service 12:00 p.m.
- Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m. (outdoor)
- Stations of the Cross 3:00 p.m. (church)

## **APRIL EASTER VIGIL**

-8:15 p.m.

#### **APRIL 9 - EASTER SUNDAY**

- 7:30 a.m.
- 9:00 a.m. (church & gym)
- Easter Egg Hunt, following the 9:00 Masses, Courtyard
- 11:00 a.m.



## **VOLUNTEER DURING HOLY WEEK**

We need volunteers to help support the beautiful liturgies of Holy Week. The physical things that help us enter into the spiritual mysteries of Jesus' Passion, Death, and Resurrection also give our Sacristans and Altar Care members much more to do with less time to do it. We especially need help during the day, but there are also things to do following each liturgy and even things that can be done from home. For more information or to volunteer, please contact J.D. McQueen at <a href="mailto:id-mcqueen@st-theresa.org">id-mcqueen@st-theresa.org</a>

#### **EASTER EGG HUNT**

Children 5th grade and younger are invited to join our Easter egg hunt following the 9 a.m. Mass on Easter Sunday. We ask parents and parishioners to donate 1-2 dozen candy-filled eggs so the hunt will be a success for every child. Please look for the donation boxes located in the Narthex, Parish office or school office.

#### PARISHIONERS VISIT HOLY LAND

Several members of Saint Theresa Catholic Church joined others from St. John Neumann and St. Catherine of Siena on this wonderful 12-day Pilgrimage to the Holy Land. "What an amazing way to experience Lent and prepare for Easter than to see, walk and celebrate the places of the life of Christ," said St. Theresa Parishioner Margarida Birge.





## PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Sun, 4/2 Mass 7:30 a.m., 9:00 a.m., 11:00 a.m. \*Procession of the Palms at 11:00 a.m. Mass Liturgy of the Word with Children 9:15 a.m., Family Center **RCIA** 10:20 a.m., Elmer, Rm. 202 M.S & H.S. Youth Group 6:15 p.m., Elmer Tues, 4/4 Connections—Women's Ministry 6:45-8:30 p.m., Family Center Wed, 4/5 Catalyst—Men's Ministry 6-7:20 a.m., Family Center **Bridge Games** 12:30 p.m., Family Center **SVdP** Meeting 7:00 p.m., Elmer or via Zoom - pls call Adrienne 512-698-2331 for details Thu, 4/6 Adult Bible Study 9:15 a.m., Elmer, Rm 202 Holy Thursday Mass 7:00 p.m., Sanctuary Adoration at Altar of Repose 8:00 p.m., Gym Early Bird Taco Ministry Fri, 4/7 4:00 a.m., Family Center Good Friday Liturgy 12 p.m., Sanctuary Stations of the Cross 2:30 p.m., Outdoor 3:00 p.m., Sanctuary Sat, 4/8 Great Vigil of Easter 8:15 p.m., Sanctuary Sun, 4/9 7:30 a.m., 9 a.m., and 11:00 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt

10 a.m., Courtyard

## DAILY READINGS AND MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, April I Ez 37:21-28 (Ps) Jer 31:10-13 Jn 11:45-56 5:00 p.m.....David K. Addison, Jeanette Breedlove † Sunday, April 2 PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Mt 21:1-11 Is 50:4-7 Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 Phil 2:6-11 Mt 27:11-54 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m.....Kirsten Messex & Family, Tim Reech † 11:00 a.m.....Parishioners of St. Theresa Monday of Holy Week, April 3 Is 42:1-7 Ps 27:1-3, 13-14 Jn 12:1-11 I I:30 a.m....Sophia Balcar †, Jody Wallace † Tuesday of Holy Week, April 4 Is 49:1-6 Ps 71:1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17 Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 No 11:30 Mass—clergy attending Chrism Mass Wednesday of Holy Week, April 5 Is 50:4-9a Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34 Mt 26:14-25 11:30 a.m.....Charlene † and Joe Trochta †

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## Friday, April 7 FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Is 52:13—53:12 Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25 Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9 Jn 18:1—19:42 12 p.m. Good Friday Liturgy

## Saturday, April 8 THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

Gn 1:1—2:2 Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35 Gn 22:1-18 Ps 16:5, 8-11 Ex 14:15—15:1 (Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-18 Is 54:5-14 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-12, 13b Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28 Ps 51:12-15, 18-19 Rom 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 Mt 28:1-10 8:15 p.m.

## Sunday, April 9

## EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Acts 10:34a, 37-43 Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 1 Cor 5:6b-8 Jn 20:1-9 7:30 a.m. 9:00 a.m. (Church) 9:00 a.m. (Gym) 11:00 a.m. Parishioners of St. Theresa

## SPECIAL EVENTS & OPPORTUNITIES

## **DRIVE A SENIOR**

Are you looking for a convenient and easy way to make a difference in your community? Join the *Drive a Senior* volunteer team and create lasting memories with older adults. For more information on the program, please visit <u>DriveASeniorATX.org</u> or call 512-472-6339.

#### INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKER AT WOMEN'S FELLOWSHIP

Thursday, April 13, at 12:30 p.m., Family Center

Guest speaker Viva Crouse is a Catholic as well as a personal trainer and nutrition coach at Hypuro Fit, a Catholic personal training and nutrition company focused on helping Catholics learn how to be a true gift of self as they strive for virtue and self-discipline. She will speak on helping women of all ages rediscover their confidence and root their identity in Christ and whom He has called them to be. Mass and socialize before the program starts. Drinks will be provided, please bring a brown bag lunch if you wish.

#### **HEALING RACISM PROGRAM**

Saturday, April 15, Holy Cross Parish, 1610 East 11th Street

The ladies of Holy Cross Parish are hosting the Spring quarterly meeting of the Deaneries Council of Catholic Women. 9 a.m. Mass in the church is followed by light refreshments and a business meeting in the adjacent Family Life Center. Dr. Vicki Lott, a member of Holy Cross Catholic Church, will present a program titled "Healing Racism". There is no fee or pre-registration required to attend; all ladies are welcome. Meetings normally end at noon. President Eleanor Langsdorf can answer any questions you may have, 512-873-0480 or <a href="mailto:elangsdo@yahoo.com">elangsdo@yahoo.com</a>

## **GUEST SPEAKER BISHOP WILLIAM WACK AT WOMEN'S CONVENTION**

Monday-Tuesday, April 17-18, Doubletree North

The Most Reverend William Wack, former pastor of St. Ignatius Martyr Parish in Austin, is the keynote speaker at the annual Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention. The agenda also includes motivational speaker Dina Dwyer-Owens, seminarians and their vocation stories, and Mass and banquet with Bishop Joe Vasquez. During breaks, there is opportunity to visit the extensive silent auction; and vendors of both religious and secular items will be on-site. Registration information and the program are available at <a href="mailto:AustinDCCW.org">AustinDCCW.org</a>. Questions can be directed to Karen Dunlap 512-836-0530 or <a href="mailto:kdunlap78@att.net">kdunlap78@att.net</a>

## **KEEPING THE FAITH**

Tuesday, April 18, 6:30 p.m., St. Louis Catholic Church, 7601 Burnet Rd.

Are you a graduate of UT Austin? Do you have children or grandchildren attending UT? If you think it's important for young adults to maintain and develop their Catholic faith during their time in college, the Knights of Columbus Council 5967 at St Louis is hosting a free dinner to hear about the mission of the University Catholic Center at UT Austin. For more information and to RSVP, contact Mike Hyzak at 512-289-3555.

## STCS SUMMER SPORTS CAMPS

Spring has sprung and with summer right around the corner, you might be looking for fun opportunities for your children to be active. You'll be happy to know registration for our STCS Summer Sports Camps is officially open! We have several offerings for students including soccer, basketball, and volleyball camps. For more information and direct links to the registration pages, please see our e-Bulletin, which is distributed every Friday via Flocknote.

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