

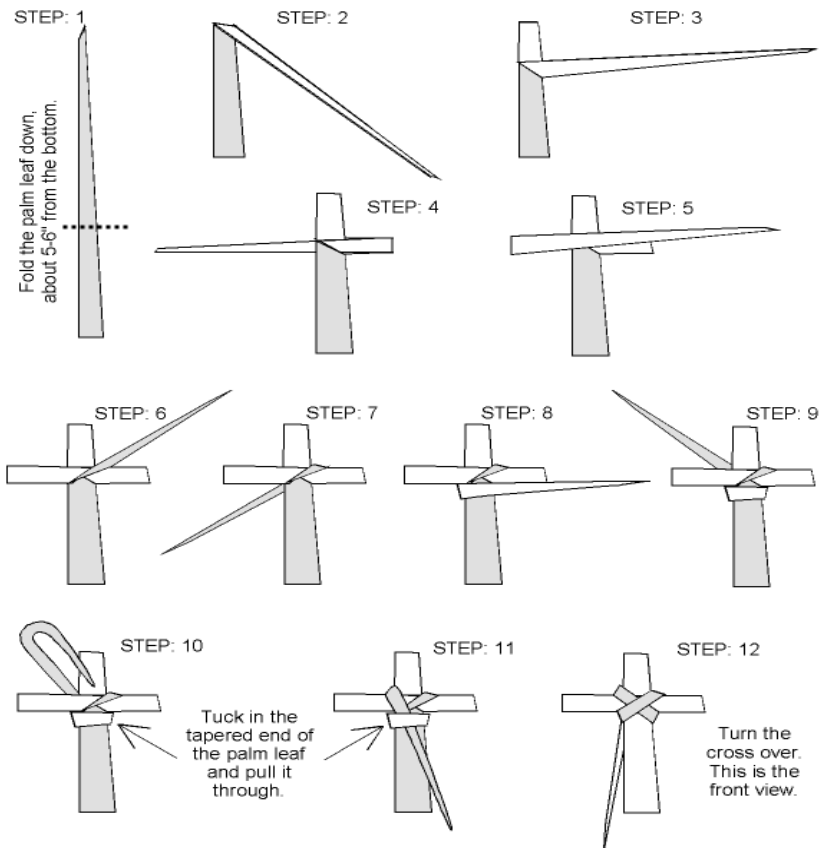
## DISPLAYING YOUR PALM SUNDAY PALMS

Here are a few ideas to display your blessed palm: 1. Tuck it behind a cross or religious picture; 2. Place in a Bible; 3. Set in a narrow vase as a place of prayer; 4. Create a cross (see below) for display.

Blessed palms should be treated with special reverence. Therefore, anything that has been blessed should be burned (and then the ashes buried) or simply buried. This type of disposal honors their sacred purpose and returns them to the earth in a dignified way.

### Palm Leaf Cross Directions

Supplies: One palm leaf strip about 24-26" in length, 1/2" in width, tapering to the end.



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# THE HOLY POST

**PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of the LORD April 2, 2023**

## TODAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING - The Suffering Servant speaks to the weary.  
(Isaiah 50:4-7)

PSALM - 'My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?'  
(Psalm 22)

SECOND READING - Jesus emptied himself, and accepted death on a cross.  
(Philippians 2:6-11)

GOSPEL - They came to a place called Golgotha and crucified Jesus there.  
(Matthew 26:14 - 27:66 or 27: 11-54)

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?" Jesus calls out near the point of death. Centuries earlier, the psalmist had cried out to God with similar words. One can imagine Isaiah saying the same thing as he was struck and beaten by his oppressors. Through all their suffering, none of them rebel or fight back. Though in tremendous pain hanging limply on the cross, Jesus remained obedient to the end. Let us listen to St. Matthew's Passion, realizing what our Lord endured to win our salvation.  
- Pastoral Patterns

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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## CCD SNACKS SCHEDULE

Drop off at CCD Center before Mass

4/02: Heidlage      4/09: No CCD  
4/16: Fimple      4/23: Montana/  
4/30: Fr. Cashen      Sigler

## COVID PRECAUTIONS

- The pew section in front of the ambo is reserved for socially distanced seating.
- Rosary, choir, and lay ministries are suspended.
- Sanitizing procedures occur before each Mass. Hand sanitizers are in entrances.
- Mask wearing is optional.

## PRAYER LIST

(contact Father or parish office to update)

Jeanette Crowell, Gail Curley, Desiree & Caleb Curry, Mae Davis, Ann Geyer, Karen Janssen, Nancy Keene, Donna & Micah Koon, Roseline Brown Sparks, Alice Nolen-Walston, Debbie Page, Kevin Pemberton, Jimmie Sooter, Jimmy Sweeney, Steve Willy



**SUNDAY** April 2  
Palm Sunday 10 am

**WEDNESDAY** April 5  
No Mass

**HOLY THURSDAY** April 6  
Mass 7 pm

**GOOD FRIDAY** April 7  
The Passion of the Lord 3 pm

**HOLY SATURDAY** April 8  
Mass 7 pm

**EASTER SUNDAY** April 9  
Mass 10 am

**WEDNESDAY** April 12  
No Mass

## RCIA

If you, a family member, or a friend is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please speak with Fr. Cashen for information on the next RCIA class schedule.

## HOSPITALIZED OR HOMEBOUND?

Please contact Father or the office if a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound so they may receive the pastoral care of the Church.

## EASTER LILY DONATIONS

This is the last week to donate to purchase altar Easter lilies in honor or memory of your loved ones. Envelopes are in each entrance and can be placed in the collection basket. Proceeds benefit **A New Leaf** and our Ladies' CCW. The listing will be published in The Holy Post and parish website.



## PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY

Navy: Jason Williams

Marines: Gage Gardner

Air Force: Zerek Alvarez, Eric Wilks, Adam Crane, Cale Schumacher, Michael Ecterhoff, Tiffany Calabasa

## SACRAMENTS

Confession: By appointment only during pandemic. Call Father at 918.256.2281.

Baptism: Contact Father several weeks in advance.

Marriage: Contact Father 6 months prior to the wedding. Do not schedule a date before talking with Father.

## PARISH MEMBERSHIP

Welcome! Registration forms are available in the Church entrances to complete and give to Father. Please also notify the office when you are moving or if your contact information (phone or e-mail) changes.