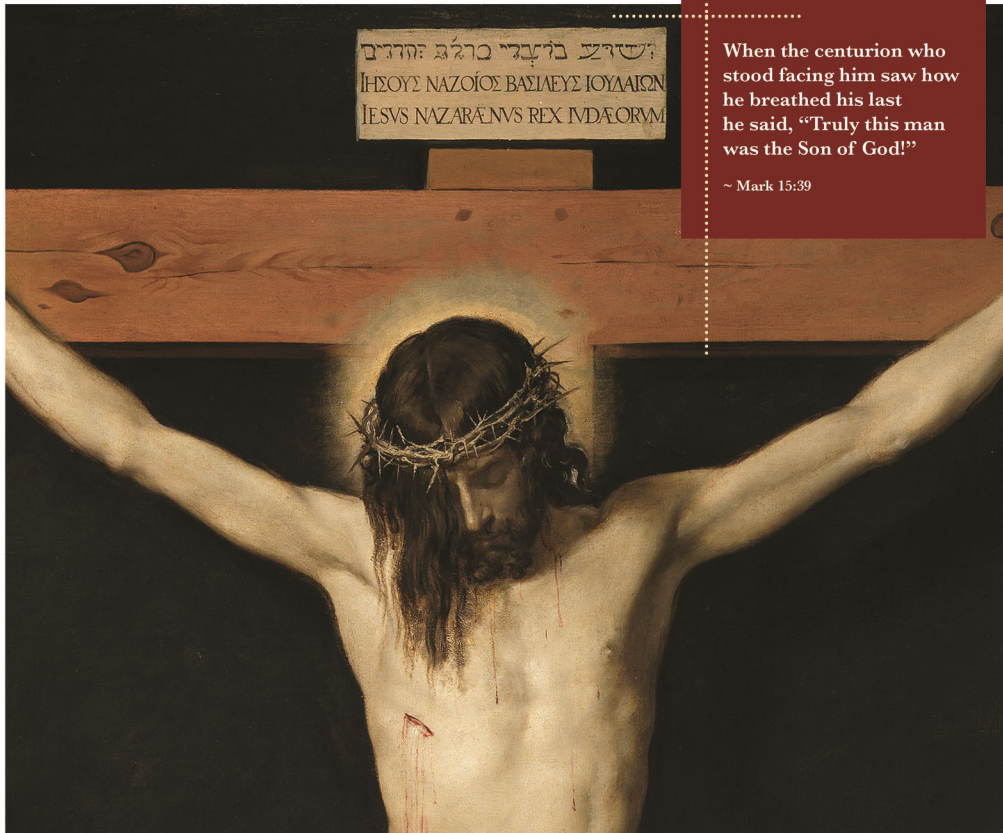


MARCH 28, 2021 | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD



When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

~ Mark 15:39

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**Mass Schedule**

Saturday - 5:00 PM  
(Anticipated Mass)\*  
Sunday - 8:00, 10:00 AM and  
12:00 Noon\*  
Daily - Monday-Saturday  
8:30 AM  
Holy days - See Bulletin for  
Mass Schedule  
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**Reconciliation**

Saturday - 1:00 PM or by  
appointment

**Baptism**

Please call to arrange for your child's baptism soon  
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Adults desiring to be baptized, confirmed or  
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**Anointing of the Sick (973.567.7424)**

Please call for a priest to schedule this Sacrament  
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All Catholics should seek to have their marriage  
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## Mass Intentions

March 28, 2021 to April 4, 2021

### Sunday - PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

3/28	8:00 am	People of the Parish
	10:00 am	Theresa and Michael Nardozza
	12:00 noon	Deceased Members of the Rualo Family

### Monday - Monday of Holy Week

3/29	8:30 am	Elizabeth Guerrero (Living)
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### Tuesday - Tuesday of Holy Week

3/30	8:30 am	Giuseppe Percontino
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### Wednesday - Wednesday of Holy Week

3/31	8:30 am	Cesar Aguilar
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### Thursday - Holy Thursday

4/1	8:00 pm	Robert A. O'Neill
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### Friday - Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)

### Saturday - Holy Saturday

4/3	8:00 pm	Robert A. O'Neill
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### Sunday - EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

4/4	8:00 am	Gloria Osorio
	10:00 am	People of the Parish
	12:00 noon	Terencio Rubio

## Weekly Memorials

### The Blessed Mother Candle

In Memory of Samuel, Sr. and Frances Monaco  
by Maryann Monaco.

## The Memorare



Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



## Please Remember in Your Prayers

### Sick Relatives & Friends

Mary Adamo	Gardenia Hougbo	Francis Quinn
Cristina Aguilar	Dominic Jengo	Robert Raimo
Josefina Baldoza	Rosemarie Kaminski	Elsy Ruiz
Mary Ellen Barberia	Rev. Michael Kreder	Fran Sampson
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Sally DeSpagna	Andrew J. Mendez	Marianne Tracey
Emily DeStefano	Frankie Monnecka	Connie Vitale
Phil Dimitri	Jim Moran	Mary Walker
Eileen Diverio	Barbara Nelson	Andrew Wey
Mark Diverio	Angelina Orgera	Joyce Wilson
Emily Ferreira	Sharon Osnowitz	
Yancey Garcia	Harriet Pellicione	<b>*Names in bold</b>
Eric Hagberg	Vallie Pompilio	<b>are new to the list</b>

## Parish Center Closed 4/1, 4/2 and 4/5

The Parish Center will be closed  
Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter Monday.  
A blessed Holy Week to all!

## March 28, 2021 - 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]).

## Prayer Shawl Ministry



If you are adding someone to our Parish sick list, please consider the healing power of these beautiful shawls. They are prayed over by the Prayer Shawl Ministry and blessed by our Pastor. If you know of someone you think is in need of a Prayer Shawl, please contact the Parish Center: 201-845-9566.

## 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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## 2021 Lenten Regulations

1. The days of both **Fast and Abstinence** during Lent are **Ash Wednesday** and **Good Friday**. If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily His Resurrection. The other Fridays of Lent are days of Abstinence.
2. On a day of **Fast**, only one (1) full meal is permitted, and **two (2) smaller meals, which, if added together, would not exceed the main meal in quantity.**
3. Those between the ages of 18 and 59 are obliged to fast.
4. On a day of **Abstinence**, no meat may be eaten. Those who have reached the age of 14 are obliged by the law of abstinence.
5. The obligation to observe the laws of Fast and Abstinence "substantially", or as a whole, is a **serious obligation.**
6. The **Fridays** of the year, **outside of Lent**, are designated as **days of penance**, but each individual may substitute for the traditional abstinence from meat some other practice of voluntary self-denial as penance.
7. The time for fulfilling the Paschal Precept (Easter Duty\*) extends from the **First Sunday of Lent, February 21 to The Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity, May 30, 2021.**

**\*Canon 920, § 1. All the faithful, after they have been initiated into the Most Holy Eucharist, are bound by the obligation of receiving Communion at least once a year.**

## 2021 Holy Week Schedule

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

Masses: Saturday evening, March 27th at 5:00 pm  
Sunday, March 28th at 8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon

### HOLY THURSDAY

April 1st

8:30 am Morning Prayer

8:00 pm Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

Adoration until 11:00 pm with Night Prayer at 10:30 pm

### GOOD FRIDAY

April 2nd

8:30 am Morning Prayer

3:00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

7:30 pm Stations of the Cross

led by the Youth of the Parish

### HOLY SATURDAY

April 3rd

8:30 am Morning Prayer

1:30 pm Blessing of Easter Food

**NO RECONCILIATION – NO 5:00 PM MASS**

Solemn Easter Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 8:00 pm

### EASTER SUNDAY

April 4th

Masses will be celebrated at

8:00 am, 10:00 am and 12:00 noon

## Thanksgiving after Holy Communion

Anima Christi (Soul of Christ)



SOUL of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesus, hear me.

Within Thy Wounds hide me.

Suffer me not to be separated from Thee.

From the malignant enemy, defend me.

In the hour of my death, call me,

And bid me come to Thee.

That with Thy saints, I may praise Thee.

Forever and ever. Amen.

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, may the whole world burn with love for Thee! (x3)

## Stabat Mater Dolorosa (The Sorrowful Mother Stood)



At, the Cross her station keeping,  
stood the mournful Mother weeping,  
close to Jesus to the last.

Through her heart, His sorrow sharing,  
all His bitter anguish bearing,  
now at length the sword has passed.

O how sad and sore distressed  
was that Mother, highly blest,  
of the sole-begotten One.

Christ above in torment hangs,  
she beneath beholds the pangs  
of her dying glorious Son.

Is there one who would not weep,  
whelmed in miseries so deep,  
Christ's dear Mother to behold?

Can the human heart refrain  
from partaking in her pain,  
in that Mother's pain untold?

Bruised, derided, cursed, defiled,  
she beheld her tender Child  
All with bloody scourges rent:

For the sins of His own nation,  
saw Him hang in desolation,  
Till His spirit forth He sent.

O thou Mother! fount of love!  
Touch my spirit from above,  
make my heart with thine accord:

Make me feel as thou hast felt;  
make my soul to glow and melt  
with the love of Christ my Lord.

Holy Mother! pierce me through,  
in my heart each wound renew  
of my Savior crucified:

Let me share with thee His pain,  
who for all my sins was slain,  
who for me in torments died.

Let me mingle tears with thee,  
mourning Him who mourned for me,  
all the days that I may live:

By the Cross with thee to stay,  
there with thee to weep and pray,  
is all I ask of thee to give.

Virgin of all virgins blest!,  
Listen to my fond request:  
let me share thy grief divine;

Let me, to my latest breath,  
in my body bear the death  
of that dying Son of thine.

Wounded with His every wound,  
steep my soul till it hath swooned,  
in His very Blood away;

Be to me, O Virgin, nigh,  
lest in flames I burn and die,  
in His awful Judgment Day.

Christ, when Thou shalt call me hence,  
by Thy Mother my defense,  
by Thy Cross my victory;

While my body here decays,  
may my soul Thy goodness praise,  
safe in paradise with Thee. Amen.

## Readings for the Week

Monday:	Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday:	Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
Wednesday:	Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
Thursday:	Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
Friday:	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
Saturday:	a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
Sunday:	Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

## The Image of Divine Mercy



### Holy Trinity Church - Vilnius Lithuania

In 1931, Jesus appeared to St. Faustina in a vision. Jesus was clothed in a white garment with his right hand raised in a blessing and his left hand touching the heart of the garment. Two large rays (one red, one pale white) came forth from his heart. The red ray represents Jesus' blood which is the life of souls. The pale ray represents water to make the souls righteous. Under the painting, Jesus instructed St. Faustina to have written, "Jesus, I trust in You".

Jesus directed St. Faustina to have a picture painted according to what she saw in the revelation. It was to be venerated throughout the world to represent the mercy of Jesus. Many versions of this iconic picture have been made over the years. In Our Lady Queen of Peace, the image of Divine Mercy hangs in our confessional.

## Almsgiving Opportunities this Lenten Season

### Easter Gift Card Donations

As we did this past Thanksgiving, we are requesting Shoprite gift cards that will be passed to those individuals and families who would usually receive an Easter Food Basket. Gift cards may be dropped off in the box located in the rear of Church during Sunday Masses or dropped off at the Parish Center during regular hours. Monetary donations will also be gladly accepted and put towards gift cards.



The collection will be held this weekend. **The deadline is Sunday, March 28th by Noon.** Thank you for your continued generosity!

### Religious Education Lenten Coin Drive



Please support our Religious Education's Lenten Coin Drive in support of our Parish 2021 Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. The Coin Drive will take the place of our annual "Rice Bowls". Please support our efforts, every penny counts.

### Palm Cross Sale

**Palm Crosses will be on sale this weekend March 27-28th.** The cost will be \$10.00 each. Should you wish to reserve your Palm Cross(es) please contact Justine at justine.garcia@olqp.org or at (201) 961-4782.



**Why should I register in the parish?** - All members of the parish should be formally registered as members of the parish. You must be formally registered if you wish to arrange a Baptism, a Confirmation, or a Wedding in the parish Church or wish to register in the Parish School or the Religious Education (CCD) Program. You must also be a registered member of the parish for at least three months before you can obtain a Sponsor Certificate or schedule a Baptism or a Wedding.

*Please call the Parish Center at 201-845-9566 to register or visit our home page at [www.olqp.org](http://www.olqp.org), scroll down to the middle of the page and click where it states "**Parish Registration**" to download the form. Thank you and welcome to Our Lady Queen of Peace!*

### Support Birthright of Bergen County

Please join our Confirmation Class in supporting Birthright of Bergen County. With the help of volunteers and donations, Birthright is able to provide the support needed to women who are pregnant. Birthright is the first of three service projects for our confirmation students, who are being accompanied throughout their journey by our Youth Group. The Confirmation class will be collecting the following donations:



- Boys & Girls Clothing sizes: 12 mo, 18 mo, 24 mo and/or 2T
- Baby Shampoo
- Baby wipes
- Diapers
- Ointments
- Pacifiers

**Final day of collection is this weekend March 27-28th.** Please keep all our Confirmation Students in your prayers! Thank you in advance for your generosity.

### Prayer of St. Augustine (Communion Prayer)

Before Thine eyes, O Lord, we bring our sins, and we compare them with the stripes we have received.

If we examine the evil we have wrought, what we suffer is little, what we deserve is great.

What we have committed is very grievous, what we have suffered is very slight.

We feel the punishment of sin, yet withdraw not from the obstinacy of sinning.

Under Thy lash our inconstancy is visited, but our sinfulness is not changed.

Our suffering soul is tormented, but our neck is not bent. Our life groans under sorrow, yet amends not in deed.

If Thou spare us, we correct not our ways: if Thou punish, we cannot endure it.

In time of correction we confess our wrongdoing: after Thy visitation we forget that we have wept.

If Thou stretchest forth Thy hand, we promise amendment; if Thou withholdest the sword, we keep not our promise.

If Thou strikest, we cry out for mercy; if Thou sparest, we again provoke Thee to strike

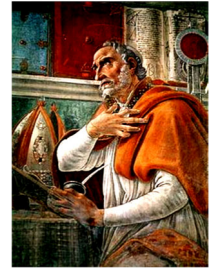
Here we are before Thee, O Lord, confessedly guilty; we know that unless Thou pardon we shall deservedly perish.

Grant then, O almighty Father, without our deserving it, the pardon we ask; Thou Who madest out of nothing those Who ask Thee. Through Christ our Lord. Amen

V. Deal not with us, O Lord, according to our sins.

R. Neither reward us according to our iniquities.

Let us pray.—O God, Who by sin art offended and by penance pacified, mercifully regard the prayers of Thy suppliant people, and turn away the scourges of Thy wrath, which we deserve for our sins. Through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.



## Stewardship Corner

*Trust in the Lord proves itself in difficult times:*

Each of us trusts God to some extent. But the measure of our trust comes not when the sun is shining, the bills are paid, the appliances are all working and everyone we know is healthy and happy. Trust proves itself with the confidence we have in Him through different times - periods of desolation, sorrow and pain (*To be continued next week*).

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## Treasures from Our Tradition

Although the procession with palms has an unforgettable grip on our imagination, the real emphasis of this day's liturgy is contained in its name: The Sunday of the Lord's Passion. Since 1955, the old custom of a blessing of palms with procession of the people has marked the entry of the Church into a time so rich that it is called "Holy Week." The center of today's liturgy, however, is the solemn reading of the Passion, this year taken from Mark's Gospel. Our community is to be transformed by its celebration of Easter, and so this week everything is made new. Soon, the bishop will celebrate the "Chrism Mass" when the holy oils for the sacraments will be completely replenished and blessed, and transported from the cathedral to every parish. Easter is the first Sunday after the first full moon of springtime. Be on the lookout later this week for this "paschal" moon, rising in the east at the precise moment the sun sets in the west. Imagine: a day when there is not a single moment when the earth is not bathed in light from the heavens. We are on the threshold of the three great days (Triduum): Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, beginning at sunset on Thursday when the parish gathers in response to the Lord's command: "Do this in memory of me."

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## 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; Paschal Triduum begins
Friday:	Good Friday of the Lord's Passion; Fast and Abstinence
Saturday:	Holy Saturday; Vigil of Easter

### FEAST OF FAITH

#### The Liturgies of Holy Week

Holy Week is the culmination of the liturgical year. During these holy days, the liturgy will lead us, with Jesus, to the depths and to the heights.

It begins with a harsh juxtaposition, as we carry palms in remembrance of Christ's triumphant entry into Jerusalem and then listen to the Passion according to Matthew, as the King is handed over for crucifixion. Then, on Holy Thursday, we remember the night Jesus was handed over—the night he gave himself for us and to us, to live in our midst forever in the sacrament of his Body and Blood. On Good Friday, we touch with our hands the mystery of the Lord's cross, the instrument of torture that has become the tree of life. Then, at the great Easter Vigil, the lighting of the paschal candle speaks to us of the triumph of light over darkness, of life over death. The resurrection of the Lord becomes a living reality in our midst as the catechumens for whom the Church has prayed throughout Lent are plunged into the mystery of Christ's death and share in the glory of his resurrection. These are indeed holy days, the culmination of the Church's liturgy, and an invitation to participate in the very life of Christ. Come, let us worship.

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### SUFFERING

Jesus did not come to do away with suffering or remove it. He came to fill it with his presence.

—Paul Claudel

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March 28, 2021

When the centurion who stood facing him saw how he breathed his last he said,

**"Truly this man was the Son of God!"**

Mark 15:39

## A PREVIEW OF HOLY WEEK

Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week and previews its themes and events. Today's liturgy begins with the commemoration of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem. The Roman Missal gives three options for how this can be done, the most elaborate of which begins with the priest, ministers, and the entire assembly outside. The Gospel account of the entry is read, after which palms are blessed and distributed. Then everyone enters the church in procession, singing songs or psalms. However, the joy is temporary; the Passion narrative recounts how, after an intimate meal with his disciples a few days later, Jesus is arrested, tortured, crucified, and buried. The reading from Isaiah is one of four Suffering Servant songs, while the psalm likewise gives voice to the suffering of the innocent. The reading from Philippians affirms the Incarnation as God's embrace of the entire human situation, including suffering and death.

### SUFFERING . . .

It may be Palm Sunday, but the Passion is far more prominent in today's liturgy, which invites us to follow Jesus from his triumphant entrance into Jerusalem to his crucifixion and burial. It simply overflows with the sorrow and intimacy that will be dominant themes in Holy Week.

The first reading from the book of Isaiah gives voice to the suffering of an innocent person—perhaps a prophet—or the people as a whole. The refrain for the Psalm is Jesus' cry from the cross (Mark 13:14), a cry of absolute, existential loneliness. The great kenotic (emptying) hymn in Philippians provides a stunning portrait of Jesus' ultimate emptying, simultaneously intimate and cosmological.

### . . . AND INTIMACY

All four Gospels have a Passion narrative. While there is agreement on the main events—an intimate meal shared by Jesus and the disciples, betrayal by Judas, prayer in Gethsemane followed by Jesus' arrest, trial, and crucifixion—each Gospel has unique variations that give it a particular meaning or tone. In today's Gospel from Mark, Jesus is anointed by an unnamed woman in the house of Simon the leper. All the Gospels have Jesus being anointed by a woman, but only Mark puts this scene just before the Last Supper. Jesus says the anointing is preparation for his burial; it is as if the woman could see a prophet's suffering in Jesus' life and feel it in his presence. Moved by compassion, she empties her jar of expensive nard on his head, pouring out her love in a profoundly intimate act. Perhaps she will also join the women who witness the crucifixion from afar (Mark 15:40–41), after the Twelve seem to be long gone.

Palm Sunday invites us to follow Jesus through the rest of Holy Week. By moving us to feel the injustice and the suffering endured by Jesus, this week's liturgies and devotions present us with those same choices. Perhaps, like the unnamed woman, we can open ourselves to others' suffering and respond with love and compassion. Or perhaps, like the Twelve, we will be conspicuous by our absence.

## TODAY'S READINGS

Mark 11:1–10 or John 12:12–16

Isaiah 50:4–7

Psalm 22:8–9, 17–18, 19–20, 23–24

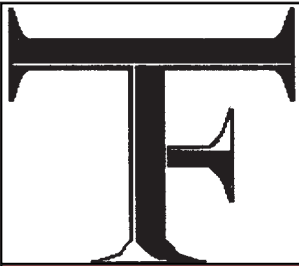
Philippians 2:6–11

Mark 14:1 — 15:47 [15:1–39]

*Palm Sunday*  
OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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