

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

APRIL 10, 2022

Gospel at the Procession with Palms

Luke 19:28-40

Gospel at Mass

Luke 22:14–23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

(Citation adapted for length. For full text, see your Bible.)

Pilate then summoned the chief priests, the rulers, and the people and said to them, . . .

“I have conducted my investigation in your presence and have not found this man guilty . . . nor did Herod, for he sent him back to us. . . . I shall have him flogged and then release him.”

But all together they shouted out,

“Away with this man!
Release Barabbas to us.” . . .

With loud shouts, however, they persisted in calling for his crucifixion, and their voices prevailed. . . .

So [Pilate] released the man who had been imprisoned for rebellion and murder, for whom they asked, and he handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they wished. . . .

A large crowd of people followed Jesus, including many women who mourned and lamented him.

Jesus turned to them and said,
“Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep instead for yourselves and for your children.” . . .



When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him and the criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left.

Then Jesus said,
“Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.”

They divided his garments by casting lots. . . . Above him there was an inscription that read,
“This is the King of the Jews.” . . .

It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. . . .

The veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice,
“Father, into your hands I commend my spirit”; and when he had said this he breathed his last.

Readings for the week:

Palm Sunday

Luke 19:28-40
Isa 50:4-7
Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24
Phil 2:6-11
Luke 22:14–23:56
or Luke 23:1-49

Monday

Isa 42:1-7
Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14
John 12:1-11

Tuesday

Isa 49:1-6
Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15
and 17
John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

Isa 50:4-9a
Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34
Matt 26:14-25

Holy

Thursday

Exod 12:1-8, 11-14
Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18
1 Cor 11:23-26
John 13:1-15

Good Friday

Isa 52:13–53:12
Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1–19:42

Holy

Saturday/ Easter Vigil

Gen 1:1–2:2
Exod 14:15–15:1
(plus other readings)
Rom 6:3-11
Luke 24:1-12

Easter Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Col 3:1-4 or
1 Cor 5:6b-8
John 20:1-9 or
Luke 24:1-12
or Luke 24:13-35



Opening Prayer

Almighty ever-living God,
who as an example of humility for the human race to follow
caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross,
graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering
and so merit a share in his Resurrection.
Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Reflecting on Living the Gospel

Today we begin the Great Week of the church's year, the one we call "Holy," and our perspective on this is from the back of a donkey. On what we call Palm Sunday, Matthew, Mark, and Luke all present us with the same image of Jesus in the gospel that is read before the procession. The donkey-riding Jesus recalls how Solomon rode to his anointing as king, feeling under himself the gentle plodding of a donkey, a humble work animal, and not the powerful muscles of a warrior's charger (1 Kgs 1:38). Such a ride reminded the king that his main work was the defense of the poor and disadvantaged, not the search for power, and the making of peace, not war. That most of the kings failed in these tasks contributed greatly to the downfall of the monarchy. The way that we are to enter into the New Jerusalem and the reign of God is the way in which Jesus, the Messiah King, rode into his city: in humility and peace, ready for self-emptying service to others, even unto death.

As we walk in the Palm Sunday procession, what we are participating in is not a folkloric restaging of the gospel. Rather, it is a remembering of what we are: a community of fragile, poor people, who have experienced the saving love of Christ. Metaphorically, what we must spread in the dust and under the Master's feet are not our palm fronds or our clothes, but our very selves. And we make it authentic when we go back into our lives to minister like Joseph of Arimathea: taking the wounded body of Christ, our suffering sisters and brothers, off their crosses, wrapping them in our compassion, and advocating for them before the powerful with gentle but brave persistence.

Closing Prayer

Loving God, thank you for the gift of this day and the opportunity to grow in relationship with you. You are self-gift, embodied in humility and vulnerability. Following your example may we give of ourselves for others as we strive to remain faithful to your Gospel and the way of life to which we are called. **Amen.**

For Reflection:

- How have you emptied yourself for others? How have others emptied themselves for you?

Suggestions for group and individual use:

1. Pray aloud the "Opening Prayer" (in *The Roman Missal* called the "collect").
2. One person read aloud the gospel.
3. Each read prayerfully "Reflecting on Living the Gospel" and spend some time in personal prayer.
4. Share together responses to "For Reflection."
5. Pray the "Closing Prayer."

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Announcements
04/09/22 to 04/10/22

Financials: 03/28/22 – 04/03/22

Weekly Collection Goal \$2400	Total \$1742.00 Short \$658.00	
In Church	\$	1342.00
Mail In	\$	200.00
On Line Giving	\$	200.00

Divine Mercy “More Than Ever Before” Mission will be at St. Theresa, Kihei on Wednesday, April 13th from 5-7 p.m. Presentations on the First Class Relic of St. Faustina and The Divine Mercy. Attend to hear more about the incredible story of St. Faustina and The Divine Mercy. Registration on Eventbrite is helpful for seating(see Flyer on bulletin board).

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited at 3:00 p.m. in church on Sundays. All are welcome.

Holy Week Schedule

Holy Monday, April 11 - Mass @ 6:30 am

Holy Tuesday, April 12 - Mass @ 6:30am

Holy Wednesday, April 13 - Mass @ 6:30 am

Holy Thursday, April 14, Lord’s Supper & Washing of the Feet @ 6:00pm

Good Friday, April 15, Adoration of the Cross @ 3:00 pm

Easter Vigil, April 16 @ 7:00 pm

Easter Sunday, April 17 @ 8:30 am

Have a Blessed Week!