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#### **SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2021**

#### **Palm Sunday**

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Monday - Friday | 8:00am - 3:00pm

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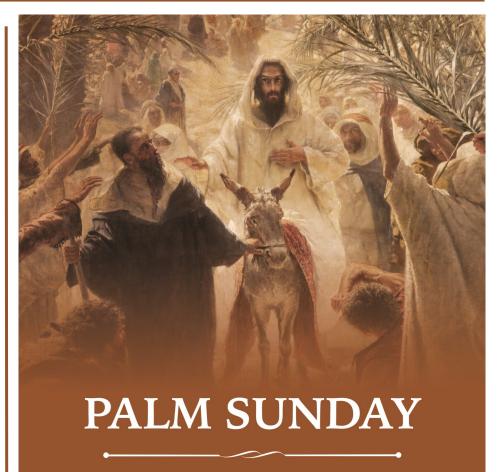
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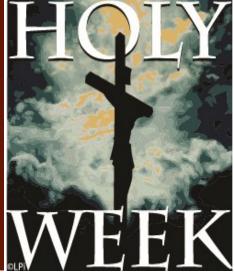
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So they brought the colt to Jesus and put their cloaks over it. And he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut from the fields. - Mk 11:7-8

#### **OUR MISSION STATEMENT**

The Mission of the parish community at Our Lady of the Assumption Church is to proclaim the Word of God more fully, to gain a more intimate knowledge of God through our Catholic traditions, and to serve the people of God, especially in our efforts to meet the needs of the poor in our community, and when possible around the world. We strive to build a sense of community among our parishioners, with the wider Diocesan community, and with the entire family of God



Thank you for joining us today! We welcome you to our faith family and look forward to growing in faith and friendship with you. If you are interested in formally joining our parish community and/or the Catholic Faith, you can do so on-line or by coming in to the parish office. If you are returning to an active Catholic life, we are happy to facilitate a smooth and joy filled transition. May you find fellowship, peace and serenity in our community. Sincerely in Christ,

Fr. Eduino, Pastor.

GOSPEL MEDITATION
March 28, 2021
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Many struggle with Jesus. Some who consider themselves faithful hail him in their churches but still struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. The message is somehow more palatable when it echoes pious renderings and sentiments and involves singing hosannas during worship. It becomes a bit trickier when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct the business of our lives, becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor, and marginalized, and living as servants of our Loving Creator. Ultimately, it is a struggle between wanting to be God ourselves and letting God be God as God is. That's why it's so easy to become hypocritical. We, like those who hailed Christ as he arrived in Jerusalem and sent Christ to the cross to die, also talk out of both sides of our mouths.

Many neglect God's beautiful creation because they prefer what humans have made instead. Progress isn't seen in preserving and enhancing what God has made but replacing it with something we believe is better and more useful. The earth, flowers, and animals are all expendable if they stand in the way of the "more" we want to achieve. We seek to remove as many obstacles and hurdles as possible in search of the easiest, quickest, and most efficient path we can find. We have created drugs and laws that preserve our free choice, even though it may mean setting aside God's vision and example. Why suffer when we can easily be put to rest? Why endure insult or injury when we can retaliate, eliminate or subdue? Why accept life when it is acceptable to choose otherwise? We want to be God and resist accepting the fact that our real Creator has already given us the blueprints for the life we need to live in the Beatitudes and in the example of his Passion.

Where has the true, effective Christian voice been through all of the wars and violence, prejudice and unjust conquests, abuse of human beings and attempted extinctions of nationalities, the establishments of procedures and protocols that serve only a few and not the many and all of the injustices and exploitations that are a part of our human history? A few courageous prophets have stood up and out throughout all of the comings and goings of our human journey with many receiving the same fate as the Crucified One we hail this week. Some still walk among us as shining stars showing us how it really can be. How would Jesus' journey have ended if he lived life as we do? Unless we encounter the good with the bad, the just with the unjust, the grace with the sin, the glory with the cross, the death with the life we most certainly risk rendering God obsolete. After all, haven't we already convinced ourselves that we can do better?



SATURDAY, MARCH 27

5:00PM † Lizz Baca

by Carmy Baca

**SUNDAY, MARCH 28** 

9:00AM †Raisa Shimehuk

by The Hoppe Family

11:00PM †Mary Zboralske

by Zboralske Family

07:30PM †Fernando and Mary Garcia

**MONDAY, MARCH 29** 

8:00AM †Jutta Woodington

**TUESDAY, MARCH 30** 

8:00AM †Guillermina Silveira

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 31

8:00AM †Helena Gregorio

THURSDAY, APRIL 01

**Holy Thursday** 

No Mass

FRIDAY, APRIL 02

Friday of the Passion of the Lord

No Mass

**SATURDAY, APRIL 03** 

**Holy Saturday** 

8:15PM †Barbara Reyes

by The Carney's Family

#### STEWARDSHIP THOUGHTS

#### **Stewards Help Others**

#### **Palm Sunday**

"Pilate again said to them, 'Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?' And they cried out again, 'Crucify him."

– MARK 15:12-13

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to live Stewardship by answering someone's prayer.

#### **READING OF THE WEEK**

Sunday: Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16/ls 50:4-7/Ps 22:8-9, 17 -18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a]/ Phil 2:6-11/Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1

Monday: ls 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]/Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday: Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]/Mt 26:14-25

Thursday: Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/Ps 89:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [2a]/Rv 1:5-8/ Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]/ Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9/ Jn 18:1—19:42 Saturday: Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a/Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]/Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/ Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]/Ex 14:15—15:1/ Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]/ ls 54:5-14/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/ls 55:1-11/ls 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]/ Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4/ Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/Ez 36:16-17a,

18-28/

Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4

[42:2] or ls 12:2-3,

4bcd, 5-6 [3] or Ps

18-19 [12a]/Rom 6:3 -11/Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mk 16:1-7

51:12-13, 14-15,

Friday: Is 52:13-

53:12/Ps 31:2, 6, 12



#### **EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP**

#### **Walk Every Step with Christ**

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance.

It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions.

But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast-forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes.

It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most.

These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one.

Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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## HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

3/25 Thursday 8:00 am Mass for the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord (livestream) 3/25 Thursday 7:00 pm Lectio Divina and Taizé Prayer (livestream)

3/30 Tuesday 7:00 pm Interactive Zoom Rosary (Sorrowful Mysteries) hosted by OLA Parish 4/1 Thursday 7:00 pm Holy Thursday and Ado-

ration (livestream)

4/2 Friday 12:00 pm Good Friday Service (livestream)

4/2 Friday 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross (livestream)

4/3 Saturday 8:15 pm Easter Vigil (livestream) 4/4 Sunday 9:00 am Easter Sunday Mass (livestream)

4/4 Sunday 11:00 am Easter Sunday Mass (livestream)









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The program will be start at 7 P.M. on April 24th, an online event. A link will be sent to your email prior to the event.

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#### **THANK YOU!**

I am always amazed at the great generosity of our families. Even during these difficult times many have continued with their contributions to our parish by WeShare, by mail or by dropping in the mail box by the office. Thank you for your contribution that helps us to pay our bills. May God continue to bless all our families and help all in this time of pandemic with the abundance of His Love.

Fr. Eduino Silveira

#### FOR THESE GIFTS WE ARE GRATEFUL!

Weekend Offertory 03/21/21 \$ 9,228.12 E-Giving from 03/15/21 to 03/21/21 4,320.92

\$ 13.549.04 Total

Second Collection

(The Catholic Relief Services) 03/21/21 \$455.00

#### **WESHARE**

We want to encourage our parishioners to enroll in our automated donation program called WeShare. This program provides a convenient way to make your donations to our church in the comfort of your

To enroll please follow these simple steps:

- Go to https://olaparish.net
- Click on Donate.
- This will take you to our "Contribute" page, where you will find the WeShare link to enroll and start making your donation.

## PREGNANCY +



#### **GIVE VOICE TO THE VOICELESS...**

Sierra Pregnancy & Health Dinner Event: May 7th.

#### **SAVE A LIFE**

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April 24, - 8:00 a.m. - Noon

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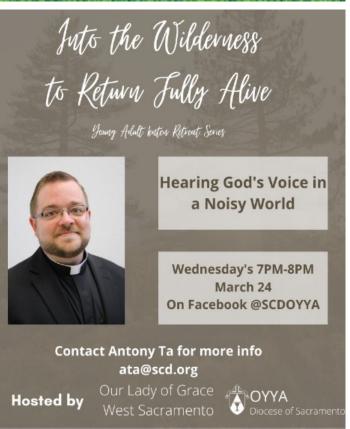
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#### **BULLETIN DEADLINES**

BULLETIN WEEKEND DATES	ARTICLE DUE
Apr 03-04	March 26
Apr 10-11	Apr 02
Apr 17-18	Apr 09







#### Seven Fridays with Saint Joseph

Everyone is invited to share in a special weekly devotion from the Solemnity of Saint Joseph on Friday, March 19th through the Feast of Saint Joseph the Worker on Saturday May 1st (with a pause for Holy Week), with the final Friday being May 7th. The full text of the devotion, called "The Prayers in Honor of the Seven Joys and Sorrows of Saint Joseph", is available here:

https://www.fdlc.org/sites/default/files Year\_of\_Saint\_Joseph

\_Devotions.pdf

A weekly video component with reflections will also be provided.

#### QUESTION OF THE WEEK

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Theme: Jesus dies for us. Breaking Open the Word

Suggested text for faith sharing: Today's Second

Reading, from St. Paul

**Step One: Listen to the Word** 

As you hear this powerful hymn from the early church, what words or phrases strike you in it? Which line of this ancient hymn touches your heart?

**Step Two: Look into Your Life** 

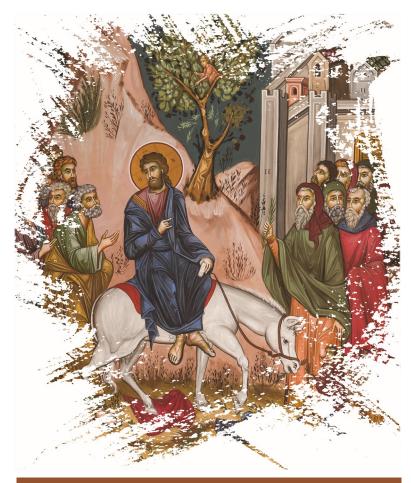
Question for Children: Name one thing that you will do each day this week to remind you that Jesus died and rose to new life for you.

Question for Youth: We hear the story of Jesus' death each year. What did you hear differently this year? How has your faith changed in the past

year?

Question for Adults: Identify and share one way that you personally "die in Christ."





#### LIVE THE LITURGY

What an ironic twist of events! Jesus is hailed with palm branches as he comes down a street one minute and faces agonizing suffering and death on a cross the next.

Does any of this make any sense? They shouted, "hosanna to our King," out of one side of their mouths and, "crucify him," out of the other. At first glance it seems like such hypocrisy. Yet, when we step back there may be more truth to the story than we care to admit. We struggle with Jesus. We hail him in our churches but struggle to figure out what to do with him on our streets. We are fine when we hear pious renderings of his messages and preaching but wince when it gets to the part about changing the way we conduct business and becoming more sensitive to the disadvantaged, poor and marginalized.

We invoke God's name when we want victory and keep silence when it comes to global solidarity. We talk out of both sides of our mouths too, looking only to what works or suits us at the time and leaving the rest. There exists in each one of us a person who hails our

King with hosannas and a person who is all too willing to choose Jesus over Barabbas for the cross. Something to think about this Holy Week!

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Note: Please call the parish office to add a name or to remove them from this list. Thank you.



The Mother-Daughter Program explores God's gift of human fertility and helps you and your daughter see God's plan of true feminity and becoming a Catholic woman.

#### Registration:

presentationparish.org/mdprogram or by calling 916-481-7441 x200

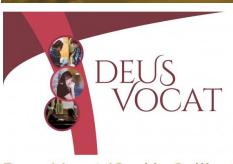
Ages 10-12: Saturday, April 10th | 9am - 12pm Ages 13-16: Saturday, April 10th | 2pm - 5:30pm

Cost: \$30 paid at the door

#### Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish | 4123 Robertson Avenue, Sacramento Father Son 2021 Program The Father-Son Program explores God's gift of human fertility and helps you and your son see God's plan of true masculinity and becoming a Catholic man. Registration: presentationparish.org/fsprogram or by calling 916-481-7441 x200 Ages 12-16: Saturday, April 17th | 9am - 1pm Cost: \$30 paid at the door

Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Parish | 4123 Robertson Avenue, Sacramento

## A Space for Grace A FAITH FILLED SPACE TO ADDRESS THE WOUNDS OF VIOLENCE AGAINST THE AAPI COMMUNITY 03/25/21 | 6:00 PM | ZOOM



#### Deus Vocat (God is Calling) 2021 -Virtual Retreat for Girls Ages 13 - 17

Cost: \$15

Deus Vocat Retreat (God is Calling), Please SAVE THE DATE for our upcoming Deus Vocat One-Day Retreat for girls ages 13 to 17 on Saturday, May 1, 2021. You may reserve a space for your daughter at www.scd.org/DeusVocat starting on March 1, 2021. Cost: \$15 to cover the cost of supplies

If you have any questions, please contact our office at (916) 733-0258 or by email to msmith@scd.org.



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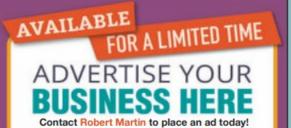
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