Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
April 14th, 2019 Cycle C

April Mass Intentions

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Date</th>
<th>Time</th>
<th>Mass Type</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Fri, 12</td>
<td>8:00am</td>
<td>Spec. Int: Cecille M. Reyes</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat, 13</td>
<td>4:30pm</td>
<td>*Parochial Intentions Palm Sunday Mass</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sun, 14</td>
<td>9:00am</td>
<td>Palm Sunday Masses *Parochial Intentions</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>11:30am</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Mon, 15</td>
<td>8:00am</td>
<td>+Julio Cesar Hernandez</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Tue, 16</td>
<td>8:00am</td>
<td>+Maria Dolores Montano</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Wed, 17</td>
<td>8:00am</td>
<td>+Sylvia Rodriguez</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Thu, 18</td>
<td>7:00pm</td>
<td>Bilingual: English &amp; Spanish Holy Thursday Mass</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Fri, 19</td>
<td>12pm</td>
<td>Good Friday- Stations of the Cross</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>1pm</td>
<td>Reflection by Fr. Raymond</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2pm</td>
<td>Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Sat, 20</td>
<td>8:00pm</td>
<td>Easter Vigil Mass</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Special Notices for Holy Week

1) On Tuesday, April 16th, there will be no Mass with the children. Mass will be at 8:00am.
2) On Thursday, April 18th, there will be no 8:00 Mass.
3) On Good Friday, April 19th, the rectory will be closed at 12pm & will be closed on Monday, April 22nd. Mass will be at 9am.

AAA Appeal- 2019
Our Campaign Goal is $28,490.46. As of April 10th, we have received $9,944 & reached 29% of our goal. Thank you.

The Sacred Paschal Triduum-Holy Week Schedule

**Palm Sunday Mass**
SATURDAY, APRIL 13TH, 4:30PM
SUNDAY, APRIL 14TH, 9:00AM IN ENGLISH; 11:30AM IN SPANISH

**Holy Thursday**
APRIL 18TH, STATIONS OF THE CROSS WITH THE CHILDREN IN THE CHURCH AT 9:30AM
BILINGUAL MASS AT 7:00PM IN ENGLISH & SPANISH

**Good Friday**
APRIL 19TH, STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT 12PM
REFLECTION BY FR. RAYMOND AT 1PM
LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD AT 2PM

**Holy Saturday**
EASTER VIGIL MASS, APRIL 20TH AT 8:00PM

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**
APRIL 21ST, 9:00AM IN ENGLISH & 11:30AM MASS IN SPANISH
Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Cycle C

Sunday, April 14th, 2019
First Reading
Isaiah 43:16-21
The Lord is doing something new for his people.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 126:1-6
A song in praise of the Lord's marvelous deeds

Second Reading
Philippians 3:8-14
Paul says that he counts all things as loss and focuses
The Church celebrates today as both Palm Sunday and Passion Sunday. It is on Palm Sunday that we enter Holy Week, and welcome Jesus into our lives, asking him to allow us a share in his suffering, death and Resurrection. This is also the time we remember and relive the events which brought about our redemption and salvation. That is why the Holy Week liturgy presents us with the actual events of the dying and rising of Jesus. The liturgy also enables us to experience vicariously, here and now, what Jesus went through then. In other words, we commemorate and relive during this week our own dying to sin and selfishness and rising in Jesus, which result in our healing, reconciliation, and redemption.

Notes on Palm Sunday events:
1) Jesus rides on a lowly donkey: Doesn’t it seem odd that Jesus would walk 90 miles from the Galilee to Bethany and then secure a donkey for the final two miles to Jerusalem? In those days, Kings used to travel in such processions on horseback during wartime but preferred to ride a donkey in times of peace. I Kings 1:38-41 describes how Prince Solomon used his father David’s royal donkey for the ceremonial procession on the day of his coronation. Jesus entered the Holy City as a King of Peace, fulfilling the prophecy of Zechariah. The Gospel specifically mentions that the colt Jesus selected for the procession was one that had not been ridden before, reminding us of a stipulation given in I Samuel 6:7 concerning the animal that was to carry the Ark of the Covenant.

2) The mode of reception given: Jesus was given a royal reception usually reserved for a king or military commander. I Maccabees 13:51ff describes such a reception given to the Jewish military leader Simon Maccabeus in 171 BC. If Maccabees 10:6-8 refers to a similar reception given to another military general, Judas Maccabeus, who led the struggle against the Greek Seleucid Emperor, Antiochus IV Epiphanes, and liberated the Temple from pagan control in 163 BC.

3) The slogans used: The participants sang the “Hallel” Psalm (Psalm 118), and shouted the words of Psalms 25 and 26. The Greek word “hosiana” originally meant “save us now” (II Samuel 14:4). The people sang the entire Psalm 118 on the Feast of the Tabernacles when they marched seven times around the Altar of the Burnt Offering. On Palm Sunday, however, the people used the prayer “Hosanna” as a slogan of greeting. It meant “God save the king of Israel.”

4) The symbolic meaning of the Palm Sunday procession: Nearly 25,000 lambs were sacrificed during the feast of the “Pass Over,” but the lamb which was sacrificed by the High Priest was taken to the Temple in a procession four days before the main feast day. On Palm Sunday, Jesus, the true Paschal Lamb, was also taken to the Temple in a large procession.

5) Do I welcome Jesus into my heart? Am I ready to surrender my life to Him during this Holy Week and welcome Him into all areas of my life as my Lord and Savior, singing “Hosanna”? Today, we receive palm branches at the Divine Liturgy. Let us take them to our homes and put them some place where we can always see them. Let the palms remind us that Christ is the King of our families, that Christ is the King of our hearts and that Christ is the only true answer to our quest for happiness and meaning in our lives. And if we do proclaim Christ as our King, let us try to make time for Him in our daily life; let us be reminded that He is the One with Whom we will be spending eternity. Let us be reminded further that our careers, our education, our finances, our homes, all of the basic material needs in our lives are only temporary. Let us prioritize and place Christ the King as the primary concern in our lives. It is only when we have done this that we will find true peace and happiness in our confused and complex world.

-by Fr. Antony Kadavil
Next Weekend’s Mass Assignments:

**Sat April 27, 2019, 4:30pm**
Lector: A. Abiva
Lay Ministers: E. Foley
Server(s): Ashley Reyes

**Sun, April 28, 2019, 8:30am**
Lector: E. Lorente
Lay Ministers: E. Cuenco
Server(s): Scarlett Borges

**Sun, April 28, 2019, 10:00am**
Lector: L. Gomez
Lay Ministers: M. Lemus
Server(s): Drew & Julian Davis

**Sun, April 28, 2019, 11:30am**
Lector: Valeria Balderramas
Lay Ministers: Karla Hernandez
Ministers: Magda McDonald
Servers: Alejandra Gonzalez
Server(s): Carmen Dominguez

Johanna Gormley

Make a Pilgrimage to the Easter Sunrise Service

On Easter morning, Sunday April 21st, 2019, a group of St. Finn Barr parishioners will be departing from St. Finn Barr Church promptly at 5:30am to walk up to the Easter Cross atop Mt. Davidson for the Easter Sunrise Service. The service will begin at 6:30am and will last for 60-75 minutes. We will be back at the church at 8:15am. This inter-denominational Christian service includes hymns & scriptural readings. This San Francisco tradition has drawn many Christians from all over the Bay Area. All parishioners are welcome. If it rains, the walk will be cancelled. If you have any questions, please call Emmet Monahan at (415) 586-4588.

St. Mary’s Cathedral 1111 Gough St. at Geary, San Francisco 415-456-2020, ext. 213 The following Sunday recitals are free to the public. Unless otherwise indicated, all recitals begin at 4:00 pm, and a free-will offering will be requested at the door. There is ample free parking.

4/21 Jeanette Wilkin Tietze, piano. Beethoven Sonata in D, Brahms Fantasies for Piano
4/28 David Ball (Orange, CA), organ. Works by Langlais, SaintSaens, Bach, Howells, Boellmann, Demessieux, and Dupré
5/05 Gail Archer (New York), organ.
5/12 Festival of Marian Hymns: Rebekah Wu directing the Benedict Sixteen

The Feast of the Divine Mercy will be preceded by a Novena from Good Friday, April 19th to the Easter Vigil, Saturday, April 27th. In her diary, St. Faustina wrote that Jesus told her: “On each day of the novena you will bring to My Heart a different group of souls and you will immerse them in this ocean of My Mercy ... On each day you will beg My Father, on the strength of My passion, for the graces for these souls.” The novena intentions are at: https://www.thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/novena.php