April 5, 2020

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

MASS SCHEDULE

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Palm Sunday! Here we go into Holy Week 2020. The events we celebrate this week beginning with Jesus’ triumphal entrance into Jerusalem are the core of our “salvation story.” We remember them each year, and we enter deeply into them each year as a way of connecting ever more deeply with our Lord.

Obviously, this year is different.......in so many ways. As I mentioned in our Wednesday update earlier this week, we will not pretend that we are doing these liturgies with our usual full church and with all the impact normally available us.

Please note that our Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Easter Vigil liturgies will all be live-streamed at 7:00pm on each of those evenings. Recordings will not be available to watch at a later time.

Our Easter Sunday Mass will also be live-streamed at 8:00am. The recording will then be available to watch by 9:30am at the latest (possibly sooner).

We have had questions asked about how we will be doing the sacraments of initiation for those going through the RCIA process this year. At our final weekend in March before we had to cancel Masses, we introduced our wonderful group to the parish at the 9:30am Mass. We are waiting until the restrictions on size of gatherings is removed or at least raised to a higher amount and will then be receiving them. One possibility the Archdiocese is proposing is on the Vigil of Pentecost, May 30th, but of course we can’t confirm that until we know how the CV is reacting to our efforts to shelter at home and avoid contact. We’ll keep you posted!

We put a Reconciliation Service on our website this week. Here are the words of the reflection I shared with you. They came from Pope Francis at the beginning of Lent.

Fast from hurting words and say kind words.
Fast from sadness and be filled with gratitude.
Fast from anger and be filled with patience.
Fast from pessimism and be filled with hope.
Fast from worries and have trust in God.
Fast from complaints and instead give compliments.
Fast from bitterness and fill your heart with joy.
Fast from selfishness and be compassionate to others.
Fast from grudges and be reconciled.
Fast from words and be silent so you can listen.

Last week, we had the death of LeRoy Smith. God bless him and his family, and provide the grace needed!

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From Pope Francis, posted to Twitter on March 19, 2020:

#PrayTogether, entrusting ourselves to the intercession of St. Joseph, who knew precariousness & bitterness. Though he worried about the future, he knew how to walk through the darkness of certain moments, always letting himself be guided by God’s will without reservation.
Hello, everyone. And so we begin Holy Week 2020. I can’t tell you how odd it is to contemplate celebrating these most powerful liturgies of the year without all of you present. It’s going to seem hollow, indeed, inside the chapel!

One of the themes that I preached about a few weeks ago was idolatry, specifically the way that this tiny little virus has managed to dethrone all of the usual ‘gods’ that vie for our time, energy, and money. Like the Israelites, we’ve been led into the desert and stripped of the usual “altars” at which we love to worship! At first, there was a novelty to the whole experience, but now we’re settling in and beginning to grapple with our loss.

I’ve become much more compassionate when we read during this Lenten season about the way that the Israelites so often grumbled against God and Moses in the desert. Egypt may have been the place of slavery, but it was in all likelihood MUCH more stimulating than the desert. “Why, O Lord, have you brought us out here to die in this miserable place? We’re tired of this wretched food! At least back in Egypt, we had bread and our fleshpots were full of meat.”

I’m reminded that in the monastic tradition, the desert is not so much a place of peaceful retreat as it is a battlefield of the spirit. Stripped of our distractions, the desert confronts us with our inner demons and invites us to do battle with them, not with our own strength, but with the strength that comes from the Lord.

One of my favorite stories from the Desert Fathers speaks of the battle this way:

Abba Poemen said of Abba John the Dwarf that he had prayed God to take his passions away from him so that he might become free from care. He went and told an old man this: ‘I find myself in peace, without an enemy,’ he said. The old man said to him, ‘Go, beseech God to stir up warfare so that you regain the affliction and humility that you used to have, for it is by warfare that the soul makes progress.’ So he besought God and when warfare came, he no longer prayed that it might be taken away, but said, ‘Lord, give me strength for the fight.’

As we enter Holy Week, if you’re struggling, my friends, with your own demons — boredom, loneliness, temptation, discouragement, etc. — turn once more to the Lord. Ask Jesus for His strength that you might continue to stay by His side as He makes His way toward Cavalry and the Cross. As we know, that’s the only way to Resurrection.
Palm Sunday must look strange to outsiders. A bunch of people squeezed into a big ol’ church waving leaves around. Come to think of it, I remember as a child being puzzled by the tradition. But then the thrill of the palm waving would overtake me and I’d suspend my curiosity and just enjoy it sheer weirdness of it. As an adult I’d simply be torn between enjoying the novelty of the ceremony and dreading the single longest Gospel of the year.

As an adult I have a greater appreciation for the story. Fresh from his greatest miracle, the raising of Lazarus, Jesus rides to the capital city. The prophecies are being fulfilled. He will overthrow the vile King Herod, summon an army to defeat their Roman captors, and rule with justice and majesty! No wonder the people gathered to witness this! But when Jesus fails to provide what they expected, the same adoring crowd became the angry mob that called for his blood.

I would gently suggest that this Holy Week, it might do us good to enter the sacred liturgies again like children. Sacrificing composure and foregoing expectations, let our hands wave with abandon to celebrate the coming kingdom of the Lord. Let the scandal of his sham trial shock us. Let real tears fall over our hero dies.

Let’s ride the drama of this week as if for the first time.

And on Easter, let there be joy like never before!

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**The Litany of the Long Haul.** As we are asked to ‘shelter in place’ and practice ‘social distancing’, a part of me keeps waiting to see a light at the end of the tunnel. I pray, and am reminded of what Fr. Hans told us about God answering prayer: 1) Yes; 2) Not yet; or 3) I have a better way.

Somewhere in the middle of those answers is the Litany of the Long Haul. Even when given a response, we still have to live with the answer. That means having the spiritual muscle to see it through. That’s what the Catholic faith is, continuing on with practicing what we say we believe, no matter where we find ourselves.

Let’s use the text of the Doxology, or Glory Be, to illustrate. When God’s answer is a clear and resounding ‘yes’ it’s “Glory be to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit!” and thank God for those moments! They do happen and we rejoice when that is the case. However, the prayer always ends this way: “as it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end, amen.” This prayer is actually a promise of God’s ‘stabilitas’ (stability) and our call to that in our own lives as well. God never changes, and His faithful presence for us has been since the beginning of time. We are called to the same stability which is the heart that comes back to the heart of God over and over again.

Let’s use this time to figure out what that looks like in our lives and the lives of our families. Fr. Dave, Fr. Hans, and Deacon Brett have provided us with a prayer roadmap to help us. We have a place to start:

**Litany of the Long Haul: Our response: “Thank you God!”**

Now you help me write this. Do this alone, or with your families or loved ones. Fill in all the things that God’s grace has placed in your lives during this difficult time. Do this daily. Add to it when you are alone so you can share it later with those who are sheltered in place with you. Always add a prayer for those who are suffering through this alone. Remember that God prays this with you, and be grateful for the gift that this crazy and difficult time is giving us. Pray also for the gift of stability so we can successfully survive the long haul.

**May God’s grace bring us all safely to the other side of this. In Jesus’ name, Amen!**

Be safe and well! +
Maryknoll Lenten Reflections
A Journey Toward Ecological Conversion

In this final week of Lent, we feel the joy of Palm Sunday and wait for Easter, knowing the end of the story already: that God has triumphed over sin and death. Yet we wait and work for the coming of God’s Kingdom in a broken world. We reflect on the realities of sin, suffering, and injustice in our world, including the harm done to our planet, and the death and suffering of people who dare to speak out in defense of their land rights or fragile ecosystems.

As Pope Francis tells us in Laudato Si’, “We come to realize that a healthy relationship with creation is one dimension of overall personal conversion, which entails the recognition of our errors, sins, faults, and failures, and leads to heartfelt repentance and desire to change.”

Continue to practice whatever changes you have made this Lent and together we can make a difference. Happy Easter!

(Read this week’s full reflection at h-t.org/social-justice)

RESPECT LIFE MINISTRY
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The USCCB’s Pro-Life Committee has launched a nationwide effort called Walking with Moms in Need: A Year of Service to assist pregnant moms and families in need. HT’s Respect Life Ministry invites you to join us in this effort! You can visit walkingwithmoms.com to learn more.

Did you know? The Chaplet of Divine Mercy Novena begins on Good Friday (April 10th) and continues through April 19th, which is Divine Mercy Sunday. We invite you to pray the novena during this year of Walking with Moms in Need for women who face unexpected pregnancies, that they may feel God’s mercy and lovingly choose life. Visit thedivinemercy.org/message/devotions/pray-the-chaplet to learn how to recite the Chaplet.

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HOLY TRINITY FOOD CLOSET IS AN EQUAL OPPORTUNITY PROVIDER.

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You may have noticed that the numbers are not changing in the backpack table shown above. With the schools closed, we have no way to get the food to the families who would normally receive it. That does not mean the need has gone away.

Shortly after the school closures, our next door church neighbors at Beaverton Foursquare contacted me wanting advice on how to obtain, pack and deliver food to some families at Barnes Elementary School. Foursquare has been providing an afterschool program for multiple Barnes kids and have gotten to know the families. They wanted to do what they could to help them out during this difficult time. About the same time, I received a call from the Community Partners Coordinator with the Beaverton School District. She was getting lots of calls from people wanting to help and from schools needing food for families. Did I have any ideas how we could address the problem?

Working with the Oregon Food Bank, we were able to establish Beaverton Foursquare as an emergency food site. Each Thursday, OFB will deliver, at no cost, pallets of food to Beaverton Foursquare where it will be repacked into food boxes and distributed to multiple schools within the District. When families come to the school to pick up a to-go lunch that is already being provided for the students, they will also be able to pick up a box of food that was packed at Beaverton Foursquare to help feed the family.

Last week we placed our first order with OFB for 36,217 pounds. We anticipate being able to feed 250-300 families with this food. We are looking into ways of expanding the program to feed even more.

Please pray for all of those involved in this program as we continue to look for ways to feed our neighbors.

GO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!
Weekly Challenge!
Ally Zimmer – ally@h-t.org

Looking for a challenge?

Hey, bulletin readers! Are you running out of things to do at home and missing your Holy Trinity family? Let’s try something new together: Weekly photo/story challenges!

Every week, I’ll offer a different prompt challenging you to show how you’re making the most of these difficult times. Prove that you completed the challenge by emailing me a photo or story (your choice) of you and/or your family doing something that fits the prompt. You could even end up seeing yourself in the bulletin one of these weeks! This way, we all get to keep up with what our parish family is up to lately, and maybe we try to do something fun with our week too.

We just kicked off our weekly challenge on Facebook as well, but you don’t need a social media account to be part of it! Like I said, just shoot an email my way. This past week, we asked our Facebook followers to send us a picture or story of how they’re using this time to grow closer to God. Check out what they came up with on the right!

This week’s challenge for everyone: Send me a picture or story of something you’re doing to make yourself or your family laugh or smile. Ready? Go, and have some fun!

Michelle Fricke’s family started a gratitude journal! Even in tough times, there’s always something to thank God for.

Emily Staron’s family painted their door to look like stained glass. So creative!

The Contreras family spent some time outside in God’s beautiful creation!

And Tim Maloney and Gerlinde Shrader both said they’re calling and praying for friends and family — an important act of love!
**Scripture Readings**

**Monday 6th**
Is 42: 1-7 | Jn 12: 1-11

**Tuesday 7th**
Is 49: 1-6 | Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38

**Wednesday 8th**
Is 50: 4-9a | Mt 26: 14-15

**Thursday 9th**
Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14 | 1 Cor 11: 23-26 | Jn 13: 1-15

**Friday 10th**
Is 52: 13 – 53: 12 | Heb 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9
Jn 18: 1 – 19: 42

**Saturday 11th**
Ex 14: 15 – 15: 1 | Ez 36: 16-17a, 18-28
Rom 6: 3-11
Lk 24: 1-12

**Sunday 12th**

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**Holy Father’s Intention for April**

**Freedom from Addiction**

We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

**Mass Intentions**

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**Parish Finances for the Weekend of March 28-29**

- **Offertry** $13,598
- **Food Closet** $2,604
- **Additional Gifts** $2,456
- **New Parish Office** $5,000

**Sacramental Preparation**

- **Baptism**
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- **First Communion**
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**Intentions that had been previously scheduled for our weekend Masses have been moved to a weekday Mass.**