

April 5, 2020

PALM SUNDAY, A DOMINGO DE RAMOS, A

**"Christ became obedient even unto death, death on a cross."
"Cristo se hizo obediente hasta la muerte, muerte en cruz."**

Praying the Word

Mt 21,1-11 Is 50,4-7 Ps 22 Phil 2,6-11 Mt 26,14-27,66 1

Blessed is the king who comes in the name of the Lord ! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest ! The multitudes that accompanied Jesus acclaimed to welcome him into his Holy City where he would accomplish his Paschal Mystery, his passion, death and resurrection. We will relive these events this year without the liturgical actions that facilitate us to enter into the gospel scene. Nevertheless, the Lord will visit us; he will come into our homes if we desire him and receive him. His Word, read with attention, meditated and prayed, will be his means to make our homes his Jerusalem to celebrate with us his Passover.

When the hour had come for Jesus to pass from this world to the Father, he loved his own and he loved them to the very end, the Evangelist John introduces the Passion narrative (Jn 13,1). *Pascha*, Passover, means the passage of Jesus. Love is essentially an act of passage: going out (*exodus*) of oneself toward the beloved; self-giving entails self-denial, that is, abandoning one's 'self-ishness' to become part of the other. For this reason, St. Paul is quoted reciting one of the early Christian verses in praise of the Lord's *pascha*, *exodus*: "*Christ Jesus though he was God did not insist on his prerogatives as God, rather he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, he humbled himself, becoming obedient even to the point of death on the cross.*" No one accomplishes this act of love more perfectly and radically than God himself; indeed his passage unveils his true face: *God is love* (1Jn 4,7), *before him*—who emptied himself out of love for the Father and for us— *every knee should bend, of those in heaven and those on earth.*

We call this Week "Holy" because in the events that we celebrate God reveals his sanctity, which is love given to the extreme. And we celebrate it by allowing ourselves to be conquered by that love that redeems and saves, to the point that we too may do the same passage of Jesus, to come out of our selfishness to put one the new life, life of love. Let us ask for the grace to sanctify this week.

j Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor ! j Paz en el cielo y gloria en las alturas ! Aclamaban las multitudes que acompañaban a Jesús en su entrada triunfal en la Ciudad Santa para dar cumplimiento a su Misterio Pascual: su Pasión, Muerte y Resurrección. Nosotros revivimos estos hechos, sin los actos litúrgicos que nos facilitan entrar en la escena evangélica. No obstante el Señor nos visitará; entrará dentro de nuestros hogares si lo deseamos o lo acogemos. Que su Palabra, leída con atención, meditada y orada, sea el medio a través del cual hará de nuestras casas su Jerusalén para celebrar con nosotros su Pascua.

MASS INTENTION FOR THE WEEK

April 4 - 10, 2020

SUNDAY

People of the Parish
Bella & Ricardo Remidio Irma Collins
Jun & Amy dela Cruz Fortunato Alon-Alon
Alfred Sablan Robert Jarvis
†Rudy Eugenio †Charles Walters
†Ofelia Garcia †Denise Poirier
†Salud E. Gonzales †John Garbin
†Elizabeth Quidileg †Alex Quinones
†Flor Marcelo Mangune † Margarita Fariñas M.

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

† Rudy Eugenio
† Flor Marcelo Mangune

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

Rose Bautista
† Rudy Eugenio † Nenita Prieto
† Flor Marcelo Mangune

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

† Rudy Eugenio
† Flor Marcelo Mangune

THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK

†Rudy Eugenio
†Virgilio R. & Adoracion G. Alon-Alon
† Flor Marcelo Mangune

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

†Rudy Eugenio

Jesús llegada su hora para pasar de este mundo al Padre, amó a los suyos y los amó hasta el extremo introduce el Evangelista San Juan su narración de la Pasión (13,1). Pascua significa el 'paso de Jesús', pues el amor es esencialmente un salirse de sí mismo hacia la persona amada; entrega significa abandonar mi propio 'yo' para hacerme parte del otro. Por eso, ya en tiempos de Pablo los primeros discípulos del Señor recitaban en alabanza al Señor que se encarnó y salió de sí mismo: *Cristo Jesús, siendo Dios, no hizo alarde de su categoría de Dios sino que se anonadó de sí mismo, tomó la condición de un esclavo, se humilló, haciéndose obediente hasta la muerte, muerte en cruz.*" Nadie cumple este paso tan radicalmente como Dios mismo; más aún, es una paso que revela su verdadero rostro: *Dios es amor* (1Jn 4,7), *ante él*—*el que se hizo nada por entregarse al Padre— toda rodilla se doble, de los del cielo como de la tierra.*

Esta Semana la llamamos 'Santa' porque Dios muestra su santidad como amor entregado hasta el extremo. Y celebrarla significa apreciar, dejarse conquistar por, ese amor que redime y salva hasta tal punto que uno quiera hacer ese mismo paso de Jesús: de salir del propio egoísmo a una vida de amor, a una vida nueva. Pidamos la gracia de vivir una semana auténticamente Santa.

p. Roni

* **STEWARDSHIP** *
* *As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another,* *
* *as good stewards of God's varied grace. Como han* *
* *recibido dones, que sean fieles administradores de la* *
* *gracia de Dios* (1Pt 4,10). *
* We thank all our Parishioners and Friends *
* who, even if we are not gathering, faithfully *
* continue to send their weekly contribution. *

Please, pray for the sick, especially for:
Andy Pagan, Carmen Cantu, William Jett, Joe Tully, Donna Pope, Vitale & Virginia Leasialogi, Helen Eugenio, Conchita Reyes, Henriqueta Faria, Alejandro Garcia, Gianluca Benedetto, Russ & Greg Thomsen, Felisa Llorin, Mickey Rivera, Anthony York, Rosa M. Santos, Gina Anadon Alaniz, Anna Ibe, Danelia Romig, Bob Stephens, Nick Cruz, Rudy Rondez, Keith Gerhardt, Hwa Cha Delgado, Annie Sofranek, Aaron Weller, Denzel Tran, Rosie Rosales, Efren Techaira, Bill Ryan, Mary Mural, Lei Fernandez, Jun dela Cruz, Rosa Daynolo, Elizabeth Garbin, Tom Yancey, Fr. Paul Valdez, Virginia Alamarez, Nathan Rodriguez, Ron Reyes, Jackie Claunan, Mary Jo Swartz, Sora Chong, Toni Barcinas, Herminia Deutz, Catarino Sosa, Agustin Espinosa, Benny Perez, Roxana M.A. Lopez, Armando Aquino, Alvaro Barragan, German Villa, Estefania Cabrera Sosa, Val Jarvis, Joe DiMaggio, Ken Jillson, Cindy DeVela, Consuelo Burlungan, Elvira Borjorquez, Jesus Laderos, Ethel Milburn, Patricia Stone, Peter Dentice, Fernando & Mora Arreola.

Streaming of the Sacred Triduum from St Jude
Please use the link to be provided on our website
<https://stjudemarina.org/>
Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00 p.m.
Good Friday Stations 12 noon
Good Friday Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 5 p.m.
Easter Vigil 10 p.m.
Easter Sunday 12 noon
available after the time indicated

Directives regarding the Sacrament of Reconciliation
given by Bishop Daniel following the indications of the Holy See

“Where the individual faithful find themselves in the painful impossibility of receiving sacramental absolution, it should be remembered that perfect contrition, coming from the love of God, beloved above all things, expressed by a sincere request for forgiveness (that which the penitent is at present able to express) and accompanied by *votum confessionis*, that is, by the firm resolution to have recourse, as soon as possible, to sacramental confession, obtains forgiveness of sins, even mortal ones (cf. CCC, no. 1452).”
Plenary Indulgence is “granted to the faithful suffering from Coronavirus, who are subject to quarantine by order of the health authority in hospitals or in their own

homes if, with a spirit detached from any sin, they unite spiritually through the media to the celebration of Holy Mass, the recitation of the Holy Rosary, to the pious practice of the Way of the Cross or other forms of devotion, or if at least they will recite the Creed, the Lord's Prayer and a pious invocation to the Blessed Virgin Mary, offering this trial in a spirit of faith in God and charity towards their brothers and sisters, with the will to fulfill the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the Holy Father's intentions), as soon as possible.

“Health care workers, family members and all those who, following the example of the Good Samaritan, exposing themselves to the risk of contagion, care for the sick of Coronavirus according to the words of the divine Redeemer: ‘Greater love has no one than this: to lay down one’s life for one’s friends’ (Jn 15: 13), will obtain the same gift of the Plenary Indulgence under the same conditions.”

A Plenary Indulgence removes all the temporal punishment due to sin (CCC, 1471).

Pope Francis said: “People who cannot go to confession because of the coronavirus lockdown or another serious reason can go to God directly, be specific about their sins, request pardon and experience God’s loving forgiveness.....This is the right time, the opportune moment. An act of contrition (CCC 1452) well done, and our souls will become white like the snow.”

“Do what the Catechism says, it’s very clear: if you don’t find a priest to hear your Confession, talk with God, He is your Father, and tell Him the truth: ‘Lord, I’ve done this, and that, and that . . . I’m sorry,” and ask Him for forgiveness with all your heart, with the Act of Contrition, and promise Him: “Afterwards I will go to Confession, but forgive me now.”

SOBRE LA CONFESION
Las personas que sienten la necesidad de confesarse, pero imposibilitados por el toque de queda (orden de quedarse en casa) a acceder a la Confesión, pueden hacer lo que está previsto por el Catecismo de la Iglesia Católica para recibir perdón:

- Ir directamente a Dios para hablar con él;
- Después de examinar la conciencia, especificando sus pecados, haga una contrición perfecta;
- Ésta consiste en hacer un acto del amor de Dios, expresar el deseo del perdón y enmienda;
- Comprometerse a confesar sacramentalmente en cuanto haya una posibilidad de hacerlo con un sacerdote.

Se les concede a los enfermos del coronavirus la Indulgencia Plenaria si hacen un acto de piedad como Misa on-line o recitar el Rosario o Via Crucis y toman las disposiciones delineadas arriba, rezar por la intención del Santo Padre y recibir Comunión en cuanto puedan.
Las mismas directrices se aplican en cuanto a la Unción de los Enfermos.