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Palm Sunday

HOLY WEEK



"Joyful acclamations at Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem, followed by his humiliation. Festive cries, followed by brutal torture. This twofold mystery accompanies our entrance into Holy Week each year." - Pope Francis

Holy Week stands at the head of our calendar, the holiest week of the entire liturgical year. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday and continues until Easter Sunday. It celebrates the Paschal Mystery, the passion and death of our Lord, Jesus Christ, and his victorious resurrection, his triumph over sin and death and his glorification by his Father.

Palm-Passion Sunday is a dual feast, Palm Sunday because palm branches are blessed and carried in procession to commemorate the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem, and Passion Sunday because the Passion Narrative is proclaimed. It is the only Sunday when two separate gospels are read. The Passion is the longest Sunday gospel of the year. The Mass has two jarringly different moods, jubilation at the outset, then lamentation. Jesus' entry to Jerusalem was exuberant as the people joyfully cheered Hosanna to greet him, but moments later all is

somber, first with the Suffering Servant who gave his back to those who beat him (Is 50:6), then with Jesus who obediently accepted death on a cross (Phil 2:8), and then with the Passion and his agony, scourging, and crucifixion (Mt 26:14-27:66).

The Easter Triduum. The Triduum is the most solemn moment of the church year. It lasts three days. It begins on Holy Thursday evening with the Mass of the Lord's Supper, continues with the celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday, and reaches its culmination with the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday, and it ends with Evening Prayer late Easter Sunday afternoon.

Holy Thursday. The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper. The Mass recounts the establishment of the Jewish feast of Passover; and it commemorates the institution of the Eucharist, the institution of the

priesthood, and the foot-washing.

Why do we wash feet on Holy Thursday? “The washing of the feet and the sacrament of the Eucharist: two expressions of one and the same mystery of love entrusted to the disciples, so that, Jesus says, ‘as I have done... so also must you do (Jn 13: 15).’” – St. John Paul II

The act of Jesus in washing the disciples feet is one of love, humility and service. He is stressing that it is love which will be the power enabling them to serve. His Father’s Kingdom is one that operates on love, a love that is tough, sacrificial, tender, humble and reveals itself in service of each other. The seemingly powerless have the greater power. The foot washing was a symbol of them being freed and cleansed by the forgiveness of Jesus and equipping them to go out in his name.

We invite all of you to participate in this ritual, as a sign of service to each other. Bring the whole family—children are invited to wash the feet of their parents, parents wash the feet of their children, spouses and neighbors wash each others feet.

Good Friday. The celebration of the Lord’s Passion is a somber liturgy with three major parts: the proclamation of the Passion, the veneration of the Cross, and the reception of Holy Communion. In addition, there is an extended set of General Intercessions with ten petitions for some of the most important concerns for the Church and the world.

Easter Vigil. Weeks of fasting and self-denial are directed toward the highest point of the church year, the Easter Vigil, the feast of the resurrection. It ranks first because our entire faith hinges on it. As Paul said, “If Christ has not been raised, your faith is in vain” (1 Cor 15:17). But the pillar of our faith is that “Christ has been raised from the dead, the first fruits of those who have fallen asleep” (1 Cor 15:20), and in this firm conviction the Church rejoices with all

of the energy it can muster: Alleluia! The Easter Vigil begins with the Service of Light, the lighting of the Easter Candle and the singing of the Easter Proclamation, the Exsultet. Then after an extended Liturgy of the Word, the Vigil continues with the Liturgy of Baptism during which the Litany of Saints is sung, the water of the font is blessed, baptismal promises are made, the candidates are baptized, and for the adults, confirmation is received. The Vigil concludes with the Liturgy of the Eucharist and first Holy Communion for the newly initiated members.

Easter Sunday. Easter Sunday is the daytime celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord. The congregation is jubilant over the risen Christ and the triumph of his most holy Cross. The church is festively decorated. The vestments are white and gold. The Glory to God and the Alleluia are restored. The Creed is replaced with the renewal of baptismal promises, followed by a sprinkling rite. The church resounds with a joyful sound: *Jesus Christ is risen today! Alleluia!* (Rev. Michael Van Sloun)

Faith Summer Camp Volunteers Needed

Faith Camp for kids is back. This summer, we are hosting a week long Faith Summer Camp program for children in kindergarten through fifth grade. Middle schoolers will be CIT’s and counselors. It is a week long camp which will be held August 8 thru 12. This years theme is Monumental — Celebrating God’s Greatness. We’re looking for volunteers who can help teach Bible lessons, act in skits, sing and dance for worship, lead crafts and games, and/or help with props, snacks and sound. **Come make disciples with us!**

Volunteers are needed in order to make this camp possible for the youth of our community. To volunteer contact Mary Schirmer at the parish rectory (510) 352-1537. There will be service hours and complimentary admission for your children to all parent volunteers .

APRIL 9 - APRIL 16, 2022
****We Remember at the Eucharist****

Saturday 9

8:15am. Edgar Borbon+
Adrian Blanco+
4:30pm Ana Maria Robles+
Francis Mendonca+

Sunday 10

8:00am Jean Holt & Lalyn Lavarias
10:00 am Patria Estandarte Holifilena+
Bernadina LLana+
12:00 pm Elisa Neto+
Pacita Lim+

Monday 11

8:15a.m. Elvira Ong+
Tansick Tuan+

Tuesday 12

8:15a.m. Respect for the Dignity of Life
Larry Spadoni+

Wednesday 13

8:15a.m. Patty Gilmore+
Lorraine Stedman+

Thursday 14

8:15am People of Assumption Parish
6:30pm Nelson & Perla Ambrosio+

Friday 16

8:15am Morning Prayer

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8:15am Morning Prayer
8:00pm Basilio Balbuena+
Ed Lagunzad+

***Please remember Assumption Church
in your will.***

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Sunday Collection

Sunday Collection 4-3-22	\$6,363.50
Lenten Retreat	\$1,216.00

Parish Office Hours

Monday thru Thursday
9:00AM -12:00PM – 12:30PM - 3:00PM
Friday 9:00AM to 12:00PM

Let's Walk Together This Holy Week!

Holy week is the sacred time in which we remember and reflect on the final days of Christ's Life. This Holy Week, walk as a family alongside Jesus during the final and most important moments in his life.

Holy Week and Easter Schedule
April 10 - 17

Palm Sunday, April 10

8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00pm Mass
11:30am Outdoor Stations of the Cross led by
Youth Social Activity Team—AYSAT

Holy Monday, April 11

8:15am Morning Mass
6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Tuesday, April 12

8:15am Morning Mass
6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Wednesday, April 13

8:15am Morning Mass
6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Thursday April 14

8:15am Morning Mass
11:00am School Stations of the Cross
6:30pm Mass of the Last Supper
8:00pm Procession
9:00pm-11:30pm Eucharistic Adoration

Good Friday, April 15

8:15am Morning Prayer
12:00pm Stations of the Cross
1:00pm Seven Last Words of Jesus
3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
4:30pm Lord's Passion & Veneration of the
Cross
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Holy Saturday / Easter Vigil April 16th

Morning Prayer 8:15am
3:00pm Divine Mercy Novena
8:00 pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Sunday April 17th

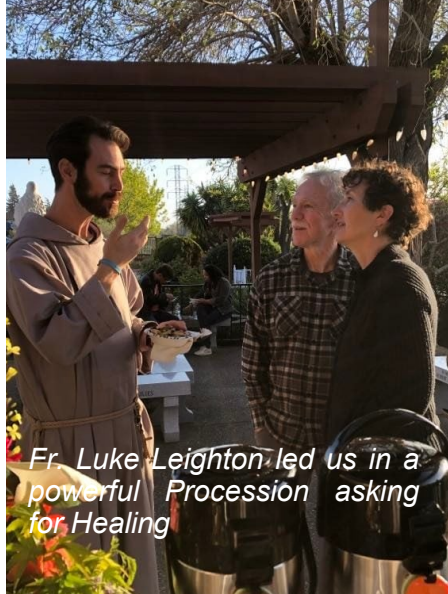
8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 pm Mass
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“Come, I will give You rest!”

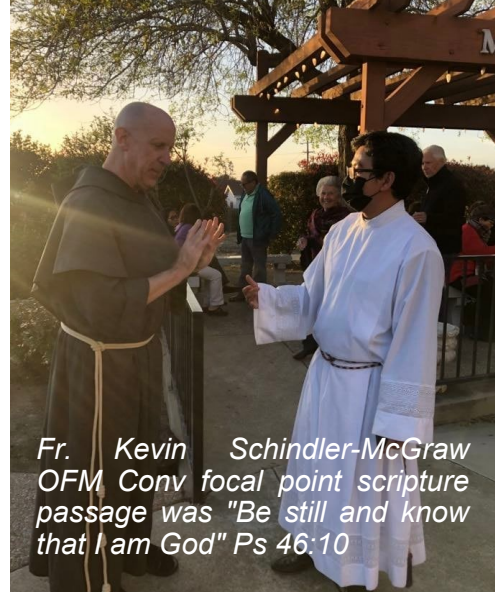
Thank you to all our speakers and all of you who attended our Parish Lenten Retreat.



Sister Patricia Bruno, O.P. led us in prayer with the scripture “Behold I am doing something New”-Isiah 43:16



Fr. Luke Leighton led us in a powerful Procession asking for Healing



Fr. Kevin Schindler-McGraw OFM Conv focal point scripture passage was “Be still and know that I am God” Ps 46:10



Fr. Jim Sullivan referenced Luke 15:11-32, the prodigal Son and John 4:1-41, the Samaritan Woman at the Well, in his talk.



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Brother Raphael Maynes shared his gift of music and his story



Brother John Brice shared personal experiences as a Franciscan Friar of the Renewal

