



Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord March 25, 2018

[Christ Jesus] humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross.

— *Philippians 2:8*

PASSION

The contrast between the processional reading in today's liturgy and the proclamation of the Passion is striking. We are given a glimpse of how profoundly the word of God is fulfilled in Jesus.

First he must be hailed as the Messiah, the One who is to come. He must be acknowledged by all, though they do not know what they are saying. They think he is the promised king, a worldly king of the Jews who will free them from the Roman occupation. They do not yet understand, even the disciples, exactly where this triumphal procession is leading. In our lives, we too do not know where we are going. It is in faith that we can follow Christ wherever he may lead us, trusting that death is not the end, nor evil the victor. —Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co., Inc.

TREASURES FROM OUR TRADITION

For many centuries, Christian pilgrims have longed to walk in the footsteps of Jesus, and on Passion Sunday the eyes of the world are on the *Via Dolorosa*, the "Road of Sorrows," in Jerusalem. As soon as it became safe for Christians to worship in public in the fourth century, a way was marked out. It was changed a few times over the years, and today's usual route was sketched by the Franciscans six hundred years ago, although Anglicans and Byzantines have their own unique detours. Friday is the most favored day, although it is crowded then. Almost everyone begins at the Lion's Gate in the Muslim Quarter, and ends at the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. It's less than a quarter mile, but it threads its way through crowded markets with souvenir shops and fast-food snacks. There are, just as in your parish church, fourteen stations along the way. The exact spots are not known, but what matters is the pilgrim's unique ability to see even an ordinary road in a teeming city as something more than meets the eye.

—Rev. James Field, © J. S. Paluch Co.

Monday: Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11
 Tuesday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38
 Wednesday: Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26:14-25
 Thursday: Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14; Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
 Friday: Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42
 Saturday: a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11; c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13; e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6; f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11; g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mk 16:1-7
 Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7

"Remember Lord, those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith." These beautiful words at Mass recall our beloved dead. A Mass intention is a way to remember a beloved friend or family member, whether in death, for healing, in celebration of a special day, or simply for prayer and guidance. Come by the office (or call 707-874-3812) to arrange the Mass. A customary donation of \$10 is appreciated.



Finance Corner:

Your generosity is greatly needed and appreciated!

For the month of **March/April** offerings:

3/18: 1st Collection: \$1450. AMA collection: TBD. 3/25: Rural Food. 3/30: Good Friday. 4/1: Operating Expenses & Easter.

Mark your Calendar for Future Events & Meetings:

Parish Council: Tues., 5/15/18, at 10:00AM in Hall

Finance Council: Mon., 4/23/18, at 11:00AM in Hall

Liturgy Committee: TBA

St. Teresa Ladies Guild: Contact Diane, 823-6044

St. Philip Ladies Guild: Contact Susan, 829-1189

Every Friday, Centering Prayer: 9:30AM at St Philip

Coffee & Goodies: Following 8AM Sunday Mass and Monday/Wednesday after 9AM Mass, at St Philip Hall

Mondays & Wednesdays-Seniors Lunch at 12noon:

All seniors welcome! (No lunch Monday before 2nd Tuesday of month)



✠ ♥ ✠ Mass Intentions ✠ ♥ ✠ Schedule

Sat., March 24, 5pm Mass ✠ Marcella & Joseph Kiefer
 Sun., March 25, 8am Mass for the People
 Sun., March 25, 9:30am Mass ✠ Wanda McManus
 Sun., March 25, 11:15am Mass ✠ Emily & Joe Palmer
 Mon., March 26, 9am Mass ✠ Florence Mullins
 Tues., March 27, 9am Mass Felicia Gonzalez
 Wed., March 28, 9am Mass ✠ Tina Bartolo
 Thurs., March 29, No 9am Mass at Bodega
 Thurs., March 29, 7pm Holy Thursday Mass at Occidental
 Fri., March 30, 12noon Good Friday Solemn Liturgy at Bodega
 Sat., March 31, No 5pm Mass at Bodega
 Sat., March 31, 8pm Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass at Occidental
 Sun., April 1, 8am Easter Mass ✠ Lucille Munson
 Sun., April 1, 9:30am Easter Mass
 Sun., April 1, 11:15am Easter Mass Papke family special intention

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
 Monday: Monday of Holy Week
 Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week
 Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week
 Thursday: Holy Thursday
 Friday: Friday of the Passion of the Lord (Good Friday)
 Saturday: The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night; Holy Saturday

Prayer Requests: Teresa Kooi, Pat Kampmann, Pete, Thomas Tolar, Susan Brown, Felicia Gonzalez, Holly White, Kathleen, Jamie Silva, Lorri McCamen, Sarah, Clifford James, Terri Andrews, Marilyn Vitali, Fred Pisani, Theresa Spiteri, Sara, Mary Anne Parque, Dorothy Komarek Denton, Steve, Sr. Marjorie, Barbara, Kathy Higgins, Dave Creeth, Jim Pearson, Ronald Porter, Annie Tobin, William, Parson Pfsorich, Dave, Mary O'Donnell, Bill Zandoski, Daniel, Papke family, Mary Karp, Randy Tonelli, Scott, Fr. Gary Logan, Columbina Albini

SUFFERING

Jesus did not come to do away with suffering or remove it. He came to fill it with his presence.

—Paul Claudel

Prayer Vigil for Peace
Lawrence Livermore Lab
(Nuclear Weapons Laboratory)
Good Friday, March 30, 2018
7am (yes-early!)
Vasco and Patterson Pass Roads, Livermore, CA

*This is an interdenominational service,
with music, prayer, speakers and sacred dance.
For more info: Kathleen Robbiano 707-331-5718*

Flowers for the Altar during the Year

Flowers for the altar are a spiritual investment for a loved one, to celebrate any occasion, or just to express gratitude for your blessings. Flowers are also a gift to all of us as we enter and see the glorious display around the altar and experience the liturgy framed by such exquisite beauty. We appreciate your donations! To contribute for St. Philip Church flowers, please call 874-6072.

RURAL FOOD PROGRAM UPDATE for MARCH 2018

On March 13 we welcomed 89 families representing 187 adults, 32 children and 33 seniors for a total of 220 people receiving nutritional support. This program is funded through the Rural Food Collection on the last Sunday of each month as well as through private donations and the generous support of our volunteers.

The 2018 Client Survey contained many expressions of gratitude including this heartfelt note: "Thank you for your generosity in helping me and my family. My husband, while working, hurt his hand and could not work for the rest of the year. Thanks to all of you, we had food for my daughters. Thanks from the bottom of my heart."

Please continue to collect paper grocery bags, especially with handles, and egg cartons. We are looking into biodegradable produce bags and recyclable grocery bags for our clients.

RURAL FOOD VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Sat., April 7 from 9-10:00am repackaging -- Parish Hall
Mon., April 9, from 12:30 – 2:30pm to set up the Parish Hall
Tues., April 10, from 8:30 –11:00am to distribute food & assist clients.

Exclusive Limited Print of Ansel Adam's original picture of St. Teresa Church from 1953: All proceeds will support needed restoration of St. Teresa of Avila Mission. A limited number of prints have been printed from Ansel's original negative. Each reprint is individually numbered. Prints are available for a tax deductible donation of \$175. Please contact restoration committee members for your own limited print: Peg 707-867-6073 or Bob 707-875-9148.

Young Adults! Are you discerning a Call to be a Sister or a Priest?
What does your heart desire? The National Religious Vocation Conference is hosting a Young Adult "Encounter" Retreat on April 14, 2018 from 2:00 - 8:00pm at the Dominican Sisters Center in San Rafael. The day will consist of Prayer, Adoration, Reflection Walks, Circle Conversations, Journaling, Vocation Stories by Priests and Sisters and a Vigil Mass. Questions? Contact Sister Carla, carlaop@gmail.com or call 415-686-4183. Registration is online at <http://bit.ly/Encounter2018> for young adult men and women ages 18-35.



Fr. Gary Logan, our former pastor, is now living in a small residential home for the elderly and memory-impaired. If you would like to visit, please call the staff at 527-9390. The location is Tuscan Terrace, 2364 Melbrook Way, Santa Rosa, CA 95405. (A greeting card could be a nice way to stay in touch, too.)

The Little Ones

Los Más Pequeños

Jim Burrows



BURROWS

When the great crowd that had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they took palm branches and went out to meet him, and cried out: "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel." Jn 12:12-13

Quando la gran multitud que había venido a la fiesta, oyó que Jesús venía a Jerusalén, tomaron hojas de las palmas y salieron a recibirle, y gritaban: "¡Hosanna! Bendito el que viene en el nombre del Señor, el Rey de Israel!" Jn 12:12-13

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Pope Francis Tweet!

"Nobody can be discarded, because we are all vulnerable. Each one of us is a treasure whom God allows to grow in his or her own way."



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March 29: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper
7pm at St. Philip Church, Occidental
(No 9am Mass at St. Teresa, Bodega)

March 30: Good Friday Solemn Liturgy
12noon at St. Teresa Church, Bodega

March 31: Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass
8pm at St. Philip Church, Occidental
(No 5pm Mass at St. Teresa Church, Bodega)

April 1: Easter Sunday Masses
8am at St. Philip Church, Occidental
9:30am at St. Teresa Church, Bodega
11:15am at Philip Church, Occidental

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection provides:

- Support to Christians in the Holy Land
- Care for the Holy Places
- Archaeological, Communication, & Educational Activities
- Charitable, Ecumenical, & Humanitarian Activities