Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

MATTHEW 21:9
Greetings to all of you as we prepare to enter into this Holy Week. Darn it, we cannot be together physically to remember and celebrate the Passion, Death, and Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. However, we can connected spiritually, through our personal prayer for each other, and prayer with each other by way of the Holy Week liturgies being available on our website.

Here is what we will have on our website for Holy Week:

- **Palm Sunday Mass** will be available beginning at 5pm on Saturday evening, April 4.

- **Daily Mass in Holy Week** will be available at 10am on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday.

- **The Mass of the Lord’s Supper** will be available beginning at 7pm on Holy Thursday.

- **The Solemn Liturgy of Good Friday** will be available beginning at 12noon on Good Friday.

- **Stations of the Cross** will be available at 5pm on Good Friday.

- **The Great Easter Vigil** (Easter Mass) will be available beginning at 8pm on Holy Saturday.

For the Easter Season, we will continue to have daily Mass available at 10am each weekday and Sunday Mass available at 5pm on Saturday.

We have put together some excellent resources for Holy Week for people of all ages. I hope they can help draw us closer into the mystery of Christ’s redeeming love for us.

Let us pray for one another, and look forward to greeting each other personally at some time, hopefully in the Easter Season (which ends on Sunday, May 31, Pentecost Sunday).

My love and best wishes,

Msgr. John
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- Caring connection phone calls by parish volunteers.
Contact Steven Angel, 949-249-4091, info@st-timsrc.org.

Need to Talk to a Parish Nurse with Questions, Concerns, a Wellness Check or Needs for Referrals?
Contact Parish Nurse Coordinators Patty Brand, brand23372@aol.com, 949-300-5873 or Peggy Marino, nurspeg@cox.net, 949-249-7678.

Do You Need Food or Utility Assistance?
Our St. Timothy St. Vincent de Paul Ministry might be able to help. Call 949-249-4092.

Can You Donate to Our Food Pantry or Are You in Need of Assistance From Our Food Pantry?
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Please visit our website for more information:
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To our faithful parishioners: Thank you so much for your continued support of our wonderful St. Timothy Parish. We are here for each other to pray for one another and remain connected to our spiritual family. We understand you may have questions regarding how you may continue with your stewardship. One way is to mail in your weekly or monthly contribution. Another is to drop it in the front office, or through the mail slot to the left of the door. Either way, we are here to pick up it and process it.

Another is to sign up electronically. You can do so by clicking the DONATE button on the top right of our parish website, www.st-timsrc.org. You can also give us a call in the Business Office at (949) 249-4099 or email Beverly Fisher at bfisher@st-timsrc.org. It’s quick and simple, and we’d be happy to assist you!
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We know there is a lot going on and a lot of opportunity for panic, worry, loneliness and anxiety. We are here for you and will be finding ways to connect and support you on our Instagram page. Follow us & stay tuned: @sttimmyouthministry

Questions? Contact Vanessa Serna: vserna@st-timsrc.org.

ALL PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED MINISTRY EVENTS ARE CANCELLED FOR THE TIME BEING.
We are continuing to gather on Zoom and social media for community. See below & check your email for details.

SUMMER EVENTS
Summer will be here before you know it! Do not miss the many opportunities to have an encounter with God at a summer conference or event! Contact Vanessa for more information!

FACEBOOK
We know Facebook isn't a huge hub of teen activity, but our parish page does have daily content that is a great way to stay connected and grow in your relationship with Jesus. Follow & like our page: www.fb.com/sttimothycc

INSTAGRAM
We will be using Instagram LIVE as well as Zoom to be sharing opportunities for prayer, Bible study, small group time, and more for both our teens and young adults. So follow us and stay connected!

YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY
@thrive_yam

CHECK OUR INSTAGRAM FOR UPDATES

Are you looking for a consistent young adult community where you can meet new people and grow in your relationship with Jesus? THRIVE is a weekly young adult ministry that seeks to build community through fellowship, prayer, lectio divina, and discussion about our lives, current events and our faith. All are welcome and invited to join us as we seek to live out our Catholic faith in the world.
**Holy Week And The Paschal Triduum**

Sunday, March 28 - Sunday, April 4, 2010

“The days of Jesus’ life-giving death and glorious resurrection are approaching, the hour he triumphed over Satan’s pride, the time we celebrate the great event of our redemption” (Preface of the Lord’s Passion II, Sacramentary). Thus the Church begins the one week of the year that we formally designate as “Holy.” Simple rituals can link the domestic church to parish church and Church universal. Enthroned Sunday’s palms where you pray, behind the family crucifix, even as part of front door decorations: “Christ reigns here,” they proclaim; “all are welcome!” During the first three days of Holy Week, ready Easter clothes, prepare festal foods, clean the house, beautify the yard. Late Holy Thursday afternoon, share Lent’s final meal before the Lord’s Supper Mass. Pitcher, bowl, and towel make a fitting centerpiece; perhaps conclude the meal by washing each other’s feet. On Good Friday, observe the paschal fast from food—from TV and computer, too! Then come to Holy Saturday’s Vigil with mind clear, stomach empty, and heart full of “holy anticipation” that bursts into living flame when the new fire is kindled.

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**Today’s Readings**

**Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus’ entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).**

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ’s passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54]).


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**Readings for the Week**

**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:** Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9; Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21

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, 4-5; or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19;

h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Mt 28:1-10

**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 Mt 28:1-10 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

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**PRAYER IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC**

O God of compassion, your people are anxious in this time of pandemic. Send your Holy Spirit among us to dispel our fears. We cry out to you in our confusion; comfort us in our affliction. Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us. Strengthen and sustain those who are ill, and be with those who care for them. Help us to travel this road in solidarity with our neighbors, with our eyes fixed on the salvation promised us through the death and resurrection of your Son, who is Lord forever and ever. Amen.

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The journey of Lent brings us to an encounter with the cross. During Lent, we have been led more deeply into questions at the heart of our faith: Who is God? And who are we, the Church? The Gospel of Matthew indicates that, in the crucifixion, God’s true nature is most fully revealed in Jesus. In Jesus, God is the self-emptying One, who embraces humility and suffers rejection, as Paul tells the Philippians. God’s power is redefined, present not in coercion and violence, but in Jesus’ unbounded love. We the Church can learn who we are, the followers of the Crucified One, when we bear crosses that offer life and hope to the world. We more fully become the Church when we empty ourselves by sharing in others’ sufferings, rejecting violence, and taking risks for justice and reconciliation. Like Jesus, we may reveal God’s power as compassion and mercy.

Enduring Hope

Today’s passage from Isaiah presents us with a common human dilemma: what do we do with our suffering? The speaker describes himself as God’s faithful servant, who suffers beatings and mockery. We can’t be sure who the speaker is, but we can see his extraordinary response. He chooses not to fight back, not to respond to violence with violence. He chooses to endure with hope that God, in God’s own way, will deliver and vindicate him. Christians later saw this passage as a poignant description of Jesus’ suffering in his passion. We all have many experiences of tragic or undeserved suffering. We might desire to run from our pain, or to inflict suffering upon others, or to live in despair. In faith, we are invited to share in the suffering of Jesus, sharing also with all who suffer similarly. We can place our wounds in God’s hands. We may live in enduring hope that Christ is indeed present and accompanies us in our pain. In God’s own way, our suffering may be transformed, so to serve God’s purposes.

A New Kingdom

The Gospel of Matthew, using various symbols from scripture, presents Jesus as the true and victorious king who begins a new kingdom. After his royal entrance into Jerusalem, Jesus ascends his scandalous and paradoxical throne, the cross. The cross reveals the nature of his kingdom, based on God’s forgiveness and sacrificial love. Evil forces thrive when violence stirs even more violence. By accepting his suffering and offering forgiveness, Jesus broke the primary cycle of violence. The Gospels proclaim that the powers of evil, though continuing their effects today, were decisively defeated on the cross. The resurrection of Jesus launches the reign of God, which will be fully complete upon Jesus’ return. We are now offered a new path for being human by which, empowered by the Holy Spirit, we may partner with God to create new cycles of life and hope.


Five Simple Ways to Celebrate Holy Week at Home

Create a simple prayer space in your home, and gather there to pray during the week.

Palm Sunday: At your regular Mass time, read the first Palm Sunday Gospel (Mt 21:1–11) and meditate on or discuss what Jesus might be thinking as he enters Jerusalem for the last time.

Holy Thursday: Bake bread for sharing at dinner; make a ritual of stripping the dinner table of all cloths and decorations after dinner.

Good Friday: Pray the Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m.

Holy Saturday: In the morning, read Psalm 64 and break your Good Friday fast solemnly with a simple meal.

Easter Sunday: Dress up the dinner table again. Include candles and crosses, so that the candy baskets aren’t the only festive items present. Sing Alleluia and read the Easter Gospel (Matthew 28:1-10) with solemnity and joy.

Look online for other suggestions for celebrating Holy Week at home, to deepen and enrich your experience at this time of social isolation.

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