IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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April 2nd, 2023

PALM SUNDAY

SACRAMENTS ANOINTING OF THE SICK

The sacrament is available during Confession hour and after each Mass per request.

MATRIMONY

Couples wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony must contact a priest of the parish one year in advance of the wedding. Diocesan regulations require that couples begin to work with the parish at least one year prior to a wedding.

BAPTISM

Families of our parish who wish to have their child baptized should call the parish office to register for Baptism Prep. Please call well in advance of birth of your child.

CONFESSION

Anytime by appointment Tuesday: 5:15 - 6:15 p.m.; Saturdays: 9:00 - 10:00 a.m.

Office is closed for the Easter Holiday April 7th and Monday April 10th Happy Easter from the Immaculate Conception Staff

Candles

Sanctuary Candle: In Memory of Harold Frazier

Easter Flame Candle: In Memory of Ron Balcerek by Family

Divine Mercy Candle: In Memory of William Rothwell by Marylou Rothwell

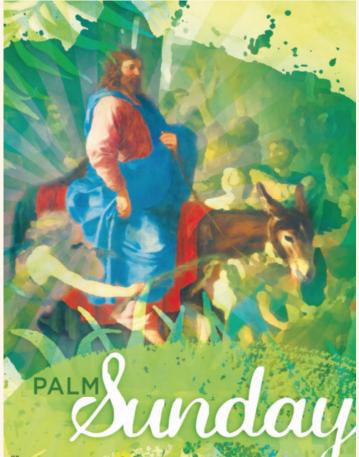
St. Peregrine Candle: In Memory of Kathleen Pilarski

St. Joseph's Candle: In Memory Edward Ornowski

Altar Candles for the Month of April: In Memory of James A. Salvatore by Luann & Mel Hunter

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, April 1
8:30 a.m. MASS AT SETON
4:30 p.m. Michael Ropele (Sister)
Sunday, April 2
8:00 a.m. Anna & Andrew Kazimer & Children (Christiana)
10:00 a.m. Mark Pollock (Chuck & Eileen)
11:30 a.m. Mary Pollock (Charlie & Toni)
Monday, April 3
7:45 a.m. Mary Jane Sistek (Cindy)
Tuesday, April 4
7:45 a.m. Our Parish Family
6:30 p.m. Month's Mind
Wednesday, April 5
7:45 a.m. Bob Sistek (Daughter)



Thursday, April 6 Holy Thursday 7:45 a.m. No Morning Mass 6:30 p.m. Our Parish Family Friday, April 7 - Good Friday 7:45 a.m. No Morning Mass 8:00 a.m. Stations of the Cross Noon Liturgy of the Lord's Passion 3:00 p.m. Divine Mercy 7:30 p.m. Tenebrae Saturday, April 8 - Holy Saturday 8:00 a.m. NO AM MASS 8:30 p.m. Easter Vigil Sunday, April 9 - Easter Sunday 7:00 a.m. Robert Zintner (Toni) 8:30 a.m. Barb Dubosky (Linda) 10:00 a.m. Bill Thurner (Cousin) 11:30 a.m. Matthew Fischerkeller (Parents)

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CLOSED 12:00 NOON • 1:00 pm

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Operation Safe Mode (OSM) Sunday 8:00 am Mass www.YouTube.com/operationsafemode

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St. Vincent DePaul www.svdpgreensburg.org 724-691-3711 **Collection for the Holy Land:** The Good Friday collection is taken for the support of the services and facilities of the Church in the Holy Land. This is a special place where Jesus taught, healed, forgave, and finally suffered, died and rose for our salvation. As good stewards of this place, we are responsible for the upkeep and preservation for future generations of the faithful. Monies from this collection are also used for the education and social service support of our Christian brothers and sisters in the Holy Land who are desperately in need of our help.

Easter Egg Hunt St. Agnes Parish—Easter Octave Day Sunday, April 16, 2023 at 12:30pm

11400 St. Agnes Lane, N. Huntingdon, PA

Children ages 1-12 welcome.

Join us for Holy Mass at 11:15. Afterwards, gather out on the grassy area by Resurrection Hall for a huge Easter Egg Hunt with lunch, prizes and fun for the whole family.

This is a FREE event (will be moved indoors if weather is inclement)

Please <u>RSVP by April 7</u> to the parish office at 724-863-2626 or email Marti at mditoppa@dioceseofgreensburg.org

The Easter Egg is a rich symbol of the new life brought by Jesus' Resurrection from the sealed tomb, represented by the hard eggshell. Colored dyes represent different parts of the Paschal story.



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Stewardship Corner

Weekly Offering

Sunday Offertory Week of March 18-19, 2023 \$16,486.26

OSV Sunday Offertory Mar. 20-Mar. 23, 2023

2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal update as of March 22nd

- > We have reached our Diocesan Target of \$148,776.00!
- Total pledged is \$153,136.00
- We are \$96,864.00 away from our Parish target of \$101,224.00 which will be used to aid the needy of our region with a \$10,000.00 donation to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Remaining monies will be used to continue the development of Immaculate Conception Cemetery for future needs.

Thank you to all who have already given a gift to the 2023 Diocesan Lenten Appeal and to those who will give a gift

You are able to make your gift online at dioceseofgreensburg.org/One Body



FRIDAY, APRIL 28, 2023 AT 6:00PM

ANTONELLI EVENT CENTER 100 COLONY DR NORTH HUNTINGDON, PA 15642

PLEASE RSVP BY APRIL 15TH

DARLINGS, IN THE TRUE SPIRIT OF **BREAKFAST AT TIFFANY'S** FEEL FREE TO WEAR YOUR LITTLE BLACK DRESS, FABULOUS PEARLS, AND DIVINE SPARKLES!

Please scan the QR code to visit our event website to purchase tickets, make a donation, or particpate in our raffles!



FAITH FORMATION -

Grades 3-6 – Faith Formation for Public School Students, Monday, April 3rd, 6:00 – 7:30 pm, 2nd Floor of the Administration Building

7th **Grade Faith Formation**– Class will be Monday April 10th from 6:00-7:15pm in Our Lady's Plaza at Immaculate Conception.

8th Grade Faith Formation– Class will be Monday April 10th from 7:45 to 9pm in Our Lady's Plaza at Immaculate Conception.



Eucharistic Adoration is held every Tuesday beginning after 7:45 am Mass. If you need to leave and there is no one else in the church during Adoration, please call the church office at 724-863-9550 and someone will come over. Thank you

Join us for the Divine Mercy Chaplet Monday through Friday at 3:00 PM.

Notes from the Pastor



SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE PASCHAL MYSTERIES

Holy Week is most definitely a very sacred time of the year, for it is now that we will commemorate and remember the last week of Jesus' life on this earth. These are the days leading up to the great Easter Feast. The Lenten season of sacrifice and self-denial is about to come to an end, but this coming week is extremely important for all Christians. The greatest focus of the week is the Passion (suffering) and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the events that led up to it.

Historical documents tell us that as early as the fourth century the Church celebrated **this 'Great Week**" with a feeling of profound sanctity. It begins with **Palm Sunday**, which marks Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The central feature of the service proper to this day, as it was in the earliest times, is the procession of palms. The palms are blessed and are then borne in procession to the church, where an entry is made with a certain amount of ceremony, after which the Mass is celebrated. The other notable and very ancient feature of the present Palm Sunday service is the reading of the Gospel of the Passion by three readers.

Especially important for Catholics is the Easter Triduum.

HOLY THURSDAY

THE LORD'S SUPPER



On Holy Thursday, the Catholic Church celebrates a special Mass of the Lord's Supper – that commemorates the institution of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper. On the night before Jesus Christ was crucified, he changed bread and wine into his own Body and Blood, and he commanded the Apostles – and their successors through the centuries – to act in his stead and represent this sacrifice. So at every Mass, by way of transubstantiation, the bread and wine offered by the priest becomes Christ's Body and Blood again.

WASHING FEET

Just as Christ did for his 12 Apostles at the Last Supper and as he commanded them to do likewise, during the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the priest – who represents Christ – ceremoniously washes the feet of people in the congregation. At the Holy Thursday liturgy in the Vatican, even the pope performs the foot washing. In fact, across the centuries, it has been the practice for the pope to wash the feet of 12 priests after Mass and of 13 poor men after his dinner.

This has always been such a humbling and meaningful act as a pastor. The washing of the feet of my parishioners is a reminder that in order to truly act in "persona Christi" (the person of Christ) I must recognize the individual journeys that each of you walk. "Dusty" feet is a term that I use in prayer to describe the efforts of caring for the Gospel with some success and much labor. Jesus instructed His disciples to shake the dust from their feet as a testimony against a town that rejected the Gospel message. "Washing Feet" is a way to recognize that I am not alone in the success and failures of bringing Christ into the lives of others. The washing is also a sign of the waters of our baptism and the cleansing and new beginnings that we seek every time we attend church. The blessing of Holy water as we come and go sanctifies us for a new mission leaving the memory of failed efforts behind.





GOING WITH JESUS TO GETHSEMANE

After the Last Supper and before he was arrested and condemned to death, Jesus went to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane, accompanied by two of the disciples. So after the Holy Thursday Mass, the remaining sacred hosts are carried out of the sanctuary to an "altar of repose," and the people go with the Eucharistic Christ in a procession. The transported is sometimes surrounded by decorations of greenery and flowers to suggest a garden. People stay for a time, adoring the wondrous sacrament that Jesus instituted that day 2,000 years ago. Some make an adoration visit at their own parish and then visit others into the night.

A VACANT CHURCH

The Mass of the Lord's Supper finished, the church – now without the Eucharist – is truly empty. So the tabernacle light – which is always lit and signifying Christ's presence – is extinguished,

and the tabernacle door is left open, exposing the vacant space inside. The altar is stripped bare of its linens and candles, holy water is removed from the church's fonts and the sacraments are not celebrated until the Easter vigil. Like the first Christians bereft of Jesus and mourning the two days after the crucifixion, the church stands unadorned until the Easter Vigil Mass on Saturday night. With the resurrection of Jesus, the church's joy is restored.

GOOD FRIDAY

EMBRACE THE CROSS



On Good Friday, the church gathers for the Liturgy of the Lord's Passion, which includes a reading of a Gospel account of the Passion, Holy Communion (consecrated at Mass on Thursday night) and veneration of the Cross.

In that tradition, a priest or deacon holds a wooden crucifix while the faithful process to him at the foot of the sanctuary, as if to receive communion. There each person reverences the crucifix with a kiss or a bow.

In some places, there are additional Good Friday devotions. Especially from noon to 3 p.m. – the hour at which Christ died on the cross – some silently meditate, pray the Stations of the Cross or participate in a Good Friday procession.

HOLY SATURDAY

We keep watch for the expectant rising of Our Savior. This was the day He went down into the netherworld in order to bring back up with Him into heaven those who had died before His coming. Up to this time, the gates to heaven were closed and no one could go there because of the original sin of Adam. Jesus changed all that. By paying the price for our sins on the Cross, He gained for us our eternal salvation, and heaven was opened once more. Also on this night, persons who have spent months of preparation will be received through Baptism and Confirmation into the Catholic Church for the first time. It is a joyous occasion.

Those who engage themselves wholeheartedly in living the entire paschal cycle (Lent, Triduum and Easter's Fifty Days) discover that it can change them forever. This is especially so of the Triduum which, standing at the heart of the Easter season, is an



intense immersion in the fundamental mystery of what it is to be Christian. During these days, we suffer with Christ so that we might rise with Him at His glorious Resurrection. Holy Week is a time to clear our schedules of unnecessary activities. Our minds and hearts should be fixed on Jesus and what He did for us. Let us bear the Cross so that we may be worthy of wearing the crown He wore.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION PARISH

Irwin, Pennsylvania Office of Liturgical Music Ministry

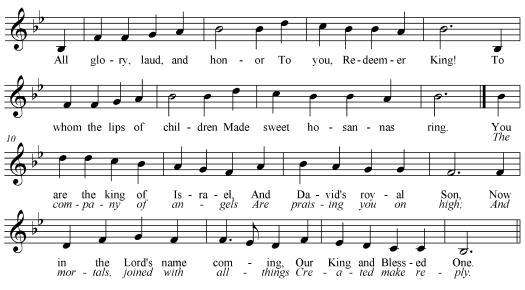
PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD April 2, 2023 - Order of the Mass

VOCATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus, raise up from our homes those called by the Father: courageous and humble men to the Priesthood, generous servants to the Permanent Diaconate, faithful people to Consecrated Life, and holy men and women to the Sacrament of Marriage. Holy Spirit, help us to live our universal vocation to holiness by listening to the Father's voice and responding with a sacrificial love. Holy Mary, Model of vocations, pray for us.

PROCESSIONAL HYMN

All Glory, Laud, and Honor



Tune: St. Theodulolph Text: Theodulph of Orleans; tr. By John. M. Neale

GOSPEL

Matthew 21: 1-11

When Jesus and the disciples drew near Jerusalem and came to Bethphage on the Mount of Olives,

Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village opposite you, and immediately you will find an ass tethered, and a colt with her. Untie them and bring them here to me. And if anyone should say anything to you, reply, 'The master has need of them.' Then he will send them at once." This happened so that what had been spoken through the prophet might be fulfilled: Say to daughter Zion, "Behold, your king comes to you, meek and riding on an ass, and on a colt, the foal of a beast of burden." The disciples went and did as Jesus had ordered them. They brought the ass and the colt and laid their cloaks over them, and he sat upon them. The very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, while others cut branches from the trees and strewed them on the road. The crowds preceding him and those following kept crying out and saying: "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is the he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." And when he entered Jerusalem the whole city was shaken and asked, "Who is this?" And the crowds replied, "This is Jesus the prophet, from Nazareth in Galilee."

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading

Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord GOD has given me a well-trained tongue, that I might know how to speak to the weary a word that will rouse them. Morning after morning he opens my ear that I may hear; and I have not rebelled, have not turned back. I gave my back to those who beat me, my cheeks to those who plucked my beard; my face I did not shield from buffets and spitting. The Lord GOD is my help, therefore I am not disgraced;

I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 22 Columba Kelly

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

SECOND READING

Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14 - 27:66

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God something to be grasped. Rather, he emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, coming in human likeness; and found human in appearance, he humbled himself, becoming obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Because of this, God greatly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

> The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.



GOSPEL READING

Please remain seated.

Narrator He said, Narrator The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew. Christ "Go into the city to a certain man and tell him, 'The teacher says, "My Narrator One of the Twelve, who was called Judas appointed time draws near; in your Iscariot, went to the chief priests and said, house I shall celebrate the Passover with my disciples,""" Voice "What are you willing to give me if I hand him over to you?" Narrator The disciples then did as Jesus had ordered, and prepared the Passover. Narrator They paid him thirty pieces of silver, and When it was evening, he reclined at from that time on he looked for an opportunity to hand him over. On the table with the Twelve. And while they were eating, he said, first day of the Feast of Unleavened Bread, the disciples "Amen, I say to you, one of you will Christ approached Jesus and said, betrav me." Voice "Where do you want us to prepare for you to eat the Passover?" Narrator Deeply distressed at this, they began to say to him one after another,

0		Narrator	Jesus said to him,
O Voice	"Surely it is not I, Lord?"	Christ	"Amen, I say to you, this very night before the cock crows, you will deny me three times."
Narrator	He said in reply,	Narrator	Peter said to him,
Christ	"He who has dipped his hand into the dish with me is the one who will betray me. The Son of Man indeed goes, as	Voice	"Even though I should have to die with you, I will not deny you."
	it is written of him, but woe to that man by whom the Son of Man is betrayed. It would be better for that man if he had never been born."	Narrator	And all the disciples spoke likewise. Then Jesus came with them to a place called Gethsemane, and he said to his disciples,
Narrator	Then Judas, his betrayer, said in reply,	Christ	"Sit here while I go over there and pray."
Voice	"Surely it is not I, Rabbi?"	Narrator	He took along Peter and the two sons of Zebedee, and began to feel sorrow and distress. Then he said to them,
Narrator	He answered,		distress. Then he said to them,
Christ	"You have said so."	Christ	"My soul is sorrowful even to death. Remain here and keep watch with me."
Narrator	While they were eating, Jesus took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and giving it to his disciples said,	Narrator	He advanced a little and fell prostrate in prayer, saying,
Christ	"Take and eat; this is my body."	Christ	"My Father, if it is possible, let this cup pass from me; yet, not as I will, but as you will."
Narrator	Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and gave it to them, saying,	Narrator	When he returned to his disciples he found them asleep. He said to Peter,
Christ	"Drink from it, all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which will be shed on behalf of many for the forgiveness of sins. I tell you, from now on I shall not drink this fruit of the vine until	Christ	"So you could not keep watch with me for one hour? Watch and pray that you may not undergo the test. The spirit is willing, but the flesh is weak."
	the day when I drink it with you new in the kingdom of my Father."	Narrator	Withdrawing a second time, he prayed again,
Narrator	Then, after singing a hymn, they went out to the Mount of Olives. Then Jesus said to them,	Christ	"My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without my drinking it, your will be done!"
Christ	"This night all of you will have your faith in me shaken, for it is written: <i>I will strike the</i> <i>shepherd, and the sheep of the flock will be</i> <i>dispersed</i> ; but after I have been raised up, I shall go before you to Galilee."	Narrator	Then he returned once more and found them asleep, for they could not keep their eyes open. He left them and withdrew again and prayed a third time, saying the same thing again. Then he returned to
Narrator	Peter said to him in reply,		same thing again. Then he returned to his disciples and said to them,
Voice	"Though all may have their faith in you shaken, mine will never be."		

Christ	"Are you still sleeping and taking your rest? Behold, the hour is at hand when the Son of Man is to be handed over to sinners. Get up, let us go. Look, my		But all this has come to pass that the writings of the prophets may be fulfilled."				
	betrayer is at hand."	Narrator	Then all the disciples left him and fled. Those who had arrested Jesus led him				
Narrator	While he was still speaking, Judas, one of the Twelve, arrived, accompanied by a large crowd, with swords and clubs, who had come from the chief priests and the elders of the people. His betrayer had arranged a sign with them, saying,		away to Caiaphas the high priest, where the scribes and the elders were assembled. Peter was following him at a distance as far as the high priest's courtyard, and going inside he sat down with the servants to see the outcome. The chief priests and the entire Sanhedrin kept trying to obtain false				
Voice	"The man I shall kiss is the one; arrest him."		testimony against Jesus in order to put him to death, but they found none, though many false witnesses came				
Narrator	Immediately he went over to Jesus and said,		forward. Finally two came forward who stated,				
Voice	"Hail, Rabbi!"	Crowd	"This man said, 'I can destroy the temple of God and within three days				
Narrator	and he kissed him. Jesus answered him,		rebuild it.""				
Christ	"Friend, do what you have come for."	Narrator	The high priest rose and addressed him,				
Narrator	Then stepping forward they laid hands on Jesus and arrested him. And behold, one of those who	Voice	"Have you no answer? What are these men testifying against you?"				
	accompanied Jesus put his hand to his sword, drew it, and struck the high priest's servant, cutting off his ear. Then	Narrator	But Jesus was silent. Then the high priest said to him,				
	Jesus said to him,	Voice	"I order you to tell us under oath before the living God whether you are the Christ, the Son of God."				
Christ	"Put your sword back into its sheath, for all who take the sword will perish by the		Christ, the Son of God.				
	sword. Do you think that I cannot call upon my Father and he will not provide	Narrator	Jesus said to him in reply,				
	me at this moment with more than twelve legions of angels? But then how would the Scriptures be fulfilled which say that it must come to pass in this way?"	Christ	"You have said so. But I tell you: From now on you will see 'the Son of Man seated at the right hand of the Power' and 'coming on the clouds of heaven.""				
	way.	Narrator	Then the high priest tore his robes and				
Narrator	At that hour Jesus said to the crowds,		said,				
Christ	"Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs to seize me? Day after day I sat teaching in the temple area, yet you did not arrest me.	Voice	"He has blasphemed! What further need have we of witnesses? You have now heard the blasphemy; what is your opinion?"				

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Narrator	They said in reply,		counsel against Jesus to put him to death. They bound him, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate, the
Crowd	"He deserves to die!"		governor. Then Judas, his betrayer, seeing that Jesus had been condemned,
Narrator	Then they spat in his face and struck him, while some slapped him, saying,		deeply regretted what he had done. He returned the thirty pieces of silver to the
Crowd	"Prophesy for us, Christ: who is it that struck you?"	¥7	chief priests and elders, saying,
Narrator	Now Peter was sitting outside in the	Voice	"I have sinned in betraying innocent blood."
Natiator	courtyard. One of the maids came over to him and said,	Narrator	They said,
Crowd	"You too were with Jesus the Galilean."	Crowd	"What is that to us? Look to it yourself."
Narrator	But he denied it in front of everyone, saying,	Narrator	Flinging the money into the temple, he departed and went off and hanged himself. The chief priests gathered up the money, but said,
Voice	"I do not know what you are talking about!"	0 1	
Narrator	As he went out to the gate, another girl saw him and said to those who were there,	Crowd	"It is not lawful to deposit this in the temple treasury, for it is the price of blood."
Crowd	"This man was with Jesus the Nazorean."	Narrator	After consultation, they used it to buy the potter's field as a burial place for
Narrator	Again he denied it with an oath,		foreigners. That is why that field even today is called the Field of Blood. Then
Voice	"I do not know the man!"		was fulfilled what had been said through Jeremiah the prophet, And they took the
Narrator	A little later the bystanders came over and said to Peter,		thirty pieces of silver, the value of a man with a price on his head, a price set by some of the Israelites, and they paid it out for the
Crowd	"Surely you too are one of them; even your speech gives you away."		potter's field just as the Lord had commanded me. Now Jesus stood before the governor, and he questioned him,
Narrator	At that he began to curse and to swear,	Voice	"Are you the king of the Jews?"
Voice	"I do not know the man."	Narrator	Jesus said,
Narrator	And immediately a cock crowed. Then Peter remembered the word that Jesus had spoken: "Before the cock crows you will deny me three times." He went out and began to weep bitterly. When it was morning, all the chief	Christ Narrator	"You say so." And when he was accused by the chief priests and elders, he made no answer. Then Pilate said to him,

Voice	"Do you not hear how many things they are testifying against you?"		the crowd, saying,			
Narrator	But he did not answer him one word, so that the governor was greatly amazed. Now on the occasion of the feast the	Voice	"I am innocent of this man's blood. Look to it yourselves."			
	governor was accustomed to release to	Narrator	And the whole people said in reply,			
	the crowd one prisoner whom they wished. And at that time they had a notorious prisoner called Barabbas. So	Crowd	"His blood be upon us and upon our children."			
	when they had assembled, Pilate said to them,	Narrator	Then he released Barabbas to them, but after he had Jesus scourged, he handed			
Voice	"Which one do you want me to release to you, Barabbas, or Jesus called Christ?"		him over to be crucified. Then the soldiers of the governor took Jesus inside the praetorium and gathered the whole cohort around him. They stripped off his clothes and threw a scarlet military cloak about him. Weaving a crown out of thorns, they placed it on his head, and a reed in his right hand. And kneeling before him, they mocked him, saying,			
Narrator	For he knew that it was out of envy that they had handed him over. While he was still seated on the bench, his wife sent him a message, "Have nothing to do with that righteous man. I suffered much in a dream today because of him." The chief priests and the elders					
	persuaded the crowds to ask for Barabbas but to destroy Jesus. The	Crowd	"Hail, King of the Jews!"			
Voice	governor said to them in reply, "Which of the two do you want me to release to you?"	Narrator	They spat upon him and took the reed and kept striking him on the head. And when they had mocked him, they			
Narrator	They answered,		stripped him of the cloak, dressed him in his own clothes, and led him off to			
Crowd	"Barabbas!"		crucify him. As they were going out, they met a Cyrenian named Simon; this man			
Narrator	Pilate said to them,		they pressed into service to carry his			
Voice	"Then what shall I do with Jesus called Christ?"		cross. And when they came to a place called Golgotha —which means Place of the Skull —, they gave Jesus wine to			
Narrator	They all said,		drink mixed with gall. But when he had tasted it, he refused to drink. After they			
Crowd	"Let him be crucified!"		had crucified him, they divided his			
Narrator	But he said,		garments by casting lots; then they sat down and kept watch over him there.			
Voice	"Why? What evil has he done?"		And they placed over his head the written charge against him: This is			
Narrator	They only shouted the louder,		Jesus, the King of the Jews. Two			
Crowd	"Let him be crucified!"		revolutionaries were crucified with him, one on his right and the other on his left. Those passing by reviled him,			
Narrator	When Pilate saw that he was not succeeding at all, but that a riot was breaking out instead, he took water and washed his hands in the sight of		shaking their heads and saying,			

12			had fallen asleep were raised. And coming forth from their tombs after his resurrection, they entered the holy city				
Crowd	"You who would destroy the temple and rebuild it in three days, save yourself, if you are the Son of God, and come down from the cross!"		and appeared to many. The centurion and the men with him who were keeping watch over Jesus feared greatly when they saw the earthquake and all				
Narrator	Likewise the chief priests with the scribes and elders mocked him and said,	Crowd	that was happening, and they said, "Truly, this was the Son of God!"				
Crowd	"He saved others; he cannot save himself. So he is the king of Israel! Let him come down from the cross now, and we will believe in him. He trusted in God; let him deliver him now if he wants him. For he said, 'I am the Son of God.""	Narrator	There were many women there, looking on from a distance, who had followed Jesus from Galilee, ministering to him. Among them were Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James and Joseph, and the mother of the sons of Zebedee. When it				
Narrator	The revolutionaries who were crucified with him also kept abusing him in the same way. From noon onward, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. And about three o'clock Jesus cried out in a loud voice,		was evening, there came a rich man from Arimathea named Joseph, who was himself a disciple of Jesus. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus; then Pilate ordered it to be handed over. Taking the body, Joseph wrapped it in clean linen and laid it in his new tomb that he had hewn in the rock. Then he				
Christ	"Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"		rolled a huge stone across the entrance to the tomb and departed. But Mary Magdalene and the other Mary				
Narrator	which means,						
Christ	"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"		remained sitting there, facing the tomb. The next day, the one following the day of preparation, the chief priests and the				
Narrator	Some of the bystanders who heard it said,		Pharisees gathered before Pilate and said,				
Crowd	"This one is calling for Elijah."	Crowd	"Sir, we remember that this impostor while still alive said, 'After three days I				
Narrator	Immediately one of them ran to get a sponge; he soaked it in wine, and putting it on a reed, gave it to him to drink. But the rest said,		will be raised up.' Give orders, then, that the grave be secured until the third day, lest his disciples come and steal him and say to the people, 'He has				
Crowd	"Wait, let us see if Elijah comes to save him."		been raised from the dead.' This last imposture would be worse than the first."				
Narrator	But Jesus cried out again in a loud	Narrator	Pilate said to them,				
voice, and gave up his spirit. <u>Here all kneel and pause for a short time.</u>		Voice	"The guard is yours; go, secure it as best you can."				
And behold, the veil of the sanctuary was torn in two from top to bottom. The earth quaked, rocks were split, tombs were opened, and the bodies of many saints who		Narrator	So they went and secured the tomb by fixing a seal to the stone and setting the guard.				

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I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and life of the world to come. Amen.

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My Song is Love Unknown

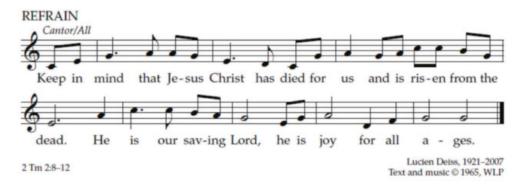
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