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did not come to explain suffering. He came to fill it with His presence. - Paul Claudel

Palm Sunday

Our humanity bleeds through today's Gospel passages in more ways than one. We see both elation and fall, hope in the midst of the darker sides of our natures. If we allow it, these Gospels hold a mirror to our own fickle hearts. The crowds cry "Hosanna" and the Apostles profess allegiance unto death. In a manner of days - even hours - Jesus is betrayed, abandoned, denied, condemned, tortured, and executed. As God, he could have stopped this horrific narrative from unfolding, but he doesn't. He allows free will to play itself out.

There are nearly two millennia between this spectacle and us. We can stand safely removed, if we choose. But Lent invites us to return to this story. Lent invites us to find ourselves in the people we encounter there. Are we the repentant woman at Bethany? Are we navsayers of such lavish piety? Have we acted in a way that betrays those we love or denies what we know to be good and true? Have we fallen asleep in our faith? Have we unfairly accused others of a crime or immorality we imagine, though perhaps they didn't commit? Do we help others carry their burdens? Do we stand in solidarity with those who suffer? Do we care for the dying?

This week, take up today's Gospel again. Look carefully at the Passion narrative and sit with it in silence. Find yourself in the story and ponder its meaning for your own life. Journey with Jesus to the foot of the Cross so that you too may say, along with the faithful centurion, "truly this man was the Son of God!"

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

Sat Vigil 7.00pm Andy Boylan (A), also remember mam & Dad Simon & Sadie, Frank O'Hanlon (B.R.), Brian Marshall (M.M.), Tony Finnegan (M.M.) **Sun: 9.30am** Michael Farrelly (A), Paddy McDermott Sun: 11.30am

Mon: 9.30am

Margaret Whelan (A), John Heavey (A), Mary Moore (A)

Tues: 9.30am

Patrick & Elizabeth Joyce (A) Frances Killeen (A), Kathleen Davis (B.R) Chris Dillon (A), John Rahaman

also deceased members of the Jackson Family

Easter Triduum

Wed: 9.30am



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Mass Times

Sunday Vigil: (Saturday Evening) 7.00pm Sunday: 9.30am & 11.30am Monday - Friday: 9.30am Saturday morning: No Mass

BAPTISMS (A months Notice must be given)

Second Saturday of each month at 12.00pm Fourth Sunday of each month at 12.30pm



Tuesday of Holy Week

9.30 am Service of Reconciliation immediately following Mass

Holy Thursday

9.30am Morning Prayer (No Mass) 7pm Mass of the Last Supper (Tea/Coffee following Mass) 8.30pm – 9.30pm Adoration - Altar of Repose - in the Oratory.

Good Friday(A Day of Fast and Abstinence)9.30 amMorning Prayer (No Mass)3.00 pmSolemn Celebration of The Lord's Passion7.00 pmStations of the Cross (Through the eyes of Mary)

Holy Saturday 8pm Easter Vigil (Please note there is <u>NO</u> evening Mass at 7p.m. on Holy Saturday)

Easter Sunday - 1st April 2018 Masses: 9.30 am 11.30am

Easter Monday - 2nd April 2018 Mass at 10am.

2018 ARCHDIOCESE OF DUBLIN ANNUAL KNOCK PIL-GRIMAGE The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Knock will take place on Saturday 21st April 2018, with the main celebration of the Eucharist in the Basilica at 3pm. Theme: '*We are Pilgrims – Knock invites us to*

healing and Peace.' More information:

www.dublindiocese.ie/2018-diocesan-pilgrimage-to -knock

WORLD YOUTH DAY PANAMA - JANUARY 2019 Pope Francis has announced the next World Youth Day in Panama in January 22-27. It is hoped that young people aged 16-29 will travel. To find out more contact - evangelisation@dublindiocese.ie Pope Francis' Message for the 33rd World Youth Day - which will be held at diocesan level on Palm Sunday – centres on the theme: "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favour with God" (Lk 1:30).



Collections for 17th & 18th March 2018				
Common Fund	17тн	€215		
SHARE COLLECTION	17тн	€155		

Common Fund	18тн	€225
CROSCARE	18тн	€200

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT

FUNERAL TEAM & BETHANY SUPPORT GROUP TRAINING If you would like to be involved in the Funeral Ministry of our parish or in the Bethany Support Group please let us know and come along to an evening of training.

This Tuesday, 27th March at 7.30pm in the Oratory.

WHY DO WE DO THAT? CATHOLIC TRADITIONS EXPLAINED

QUESTION:

Where do Palm Sunday palms come from and where should they go?

ANSWER:

The Palm Sunday celebration has ancient origins. Beginning the liturgy "outside" the church, we symbolically re-enact Christ's entry into Jerusalem. The crowds in ancient Israel waved palm branches - a symbol of royalty - to welcome Jesus. These days, obtaining palms takes a lot of planning and coordination, as hundreds of thousands of churches worldwide need them on the same day! Many companies stress the sustainability of their production and the just wages paid to their workers.

The palms used on Palm Sunday are blessed at Mass. This means they shouldn't end up in the trash! Many people weave palms into crosses or families display them in their homes. If you do not plan on displaying your palms throughout the year, they should be burned, buried, or left at the church. In the final case, the palms are burned to provide the ashes for next year's Ash Wednesday service.

INSPIRATION

Today some of the most poignant themes of human life come into clear central focus: the feeling of being praised and honoured, fear, anxiety, betrayal, despair, doubt, uncertainty, trust, hope, sadness, separation, suffering, death, determination, and courage. These are the emotions and realities that every human being wrestles with often. Jesus, the Son of God, encounters them all. As we journey through life, we have to confront the existential meaning of each of these things. How do they fit into the bigger picture? Jesus shows us most clearly that even those things we fear the most lose their power when we discover that we are being led to new life. Suffering is redemptive. Sin and death give way to grace and life and God's unconditional love conquers all. May we see in Jesus' Way of the Cross the path of truth we all must follow.

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