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March 24, 2024:

Palm Sunday of the
Lord's Passion

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MASS/LITURGY SCHEDULE

DAILY MASS

Mon. - Wed. 5 PM

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday, March 28: 6PM

Good Friday, Friday, March 29: 7PM

Easter Vigil, Saturday, March 30: 8PM

Easter Sunday: 10 AM ([livestream on YouTube](#))
and 5 PM

Reminder: If you are scheduled to serve on Holy Thursday, Good Friday and/or the Easter Vigil please come to a rehearsal at 5PM on that day.

CONFESSION The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available Saturdays 3:30-4:30 PM and by appointment with Fr. Larry at chaplain@rpi.edu

MASS INTENTIONS

SUNDAY, MAR 31 10 AM Mass — Rev. Thomas Phelan requested by the Rensselaer Newman Foundation

Consider having a Mass said in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (ex. birthday), or, most common, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died. Complete the form [here](#) or a hard copy form can be found in the C+CC hallway.

C+CC NEWS

HEART AND SOUL BENEFIT CONCERT —SUN. MAR 24 1-3 PM. Benefiting the American Heart/Stroke Association. Information and tickets can be found [here](#).

MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES

Romans 12:6 "In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well."

COFFEE HOUR Weekly coffee hours are held after the 10AM and 5PM Sunday Masses. Please come and meet your fellow parishioners! Help is always needed and sign up sheets are posted on the bulletin board.

EASTER VIGIL. There will be the usual reception after the EASTER VIGIL. Contributions of baked goods gratefully accepted!

EASTER TRADITION If you signed up to deliver a lily to the home-bound or to those who lost a relative during the past year, the lilies will be available for pick up at the C+CC beginning at noon on Saturday, March 23. Thank you for your generous participation in this ministry! Any questions, contact Dee Dziewulski at 518-331-6825 or dmdeezee@nycap.rr.com

HELP WANTED to prep for Good Friday and Easter. We are preparing the Church for Good Friday on Friday morning at 10 AM; for Easter on Holy Saturday morning also at 10 AM. Please come if you can.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Readings can be found in multiple ways:

- Web: <https://bible.usccb.org/>
- Sign-up for a daily email with a link to the day's readings: <https://bible.usccb.org/daily-bible-reading#subscribe>
- On the Hallow app
- In the Bible

Mar. 24 Sun: Procession: Mk 11: 1-10 or Jn 12: 12-16; Isa 50: 4-7; Ps 22: 8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2: 6-11; Verse Before the Gospel: Phil 2: 8-9; Mk 14: 1 – 15: 47

Mar. 25 Mon: Isa 42: 1-7; Ps 27: 1, 2, 3, 13-14; Jn 12: 1-11

Mar. 26 Tue: Isa 49: 1-6; Ps 71: 1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17; Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38

Mar. 27 Wed: Isa 50: 4-9a; Ps 69: 8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34; Matt 26: 14-25

Mar. 28 Thurs: Exod 12: 1-8, 11-14; Ps 116: 12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11: 23-26; Verse Before the Gospel: Jn 13: 34; Jn 13: 1-15

Mar. 29 Fri: Isa 52: 13 – 53: 12; Ps 31: 2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Heb 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9; Verse Before the Gospel: Phil 2: 8-9; Jn 18: 1 – 19: 42

Mar. 30 Sat: 1st Gen 1: 1 – 2: 2 or 1: 1, 26-31a; RS Ps 104: 1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33: 4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20 and 22; 2nd Gen 22: 1-18 or 22: 1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18; RS Ps 16: 5, 8, 9-10, 11; 3rd Ex 14: 15 – 15: 1; RS Ex 15: 1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18; 4th Isa 54: 5-14; RS Ps 30: 2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13; 5th Isa 55: 1-11; RS Isa 12: 2-3, 4, 5-6; 6th Bar 3: 9-15, 32 – 4: 4; RS Ps 19: 8, 9, 10, 11; 7th Eze 36: 16-17a, 18-28; RS Ps 42: 3, 5; 43: 3, 4 or Isa 12: 2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Psa51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19; Epistle Rom 6: 3-11; RS Ps 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Gospel Mk 16: 1-7

A FAMILY PERSPECTIVE by Bud Ozar

The Passion of Jesus makes it clear, no one escapes suffering. Suffering is inevitable but no one should suffer alone. That is one of the primary roles of families, to stand with and support each other in suffering.

COLLECTIONS

Your continued generosity is appreciated! Here are ways to give...

- Mail your collection envelope and/or your check **made payable to Christ Sun of Justice** or place in the collection basket.
- Make an [online donation](#) ("Mass donation" in the comments section.)
- Venmo: At offertory time (or any time, really!) you can use your Venmo app to give to "csj parish". If it is for a special collection, just note it in the comments box.
- St. James Roman Catholic Primary school in Kalk Bay, South Africa. There is a box in the hallway of the C+CC to collect donations or gifts can be placed in the offertory marked for "St. James". Info on the school can be found [here](#).
- **GOOD FRIDAY** The offertory collection at the Good Friday service is for the Holy Land. The funds are used to support the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works which the Church supports in the Holy Land for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

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Each year at around this time, as Lent draws to a close, and Easter nears, Catholics everywhere look at their parish bulletins, missalettes, and publications, and wonder why the last Sunday in Lent is called "Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion" and not just "Palm Sunday."

"The formal designation changed in 1970; still, many people are much more accustomed to calling it "Palm Sunday."

"The palms, of course, are a commemoration of the ancient custom of covering the path of an honored person as he passed by. In many parts of the Near East, this was among the highest honors, often reserved for royalty. All four of the Gospels speak of Jesus receiving this honor as he entered triumphantly into Jerusalem, days before his execution. In Matthew, Mark, and Luke, the crowds are said to have laid their cloaks in the street, as well as cut rushes. Only John's Gospel specifically mentions palm fronds.

It's the custom in Catholic churches to give people palms that are blessed at the beginning of the liturgy, and carried in procession at the start of the mass. It is many people's private custom to weave these palms into crosses or other shapes during the liturgy. I would like to believe that they're not doing this during my homily, but experience tells me they are.

Ultimately, the celebration of this day isn't about the palms, any more than the celebration of Christmas is about decorated evergreen trees. As the prayers and scripture readings make clear, the liturgy is really about Christ's passion-- his willingness to suffer for our salvation and the forgiveness of our sins. By the end of the reading of the passion narrative, the palms seem sad and ironic, as the crowds who welcomed Jesus into Jerusalem would be transformed into the crowd shouting "Crucify him!" during his trial. Human fickleness and frailty are contrasted with Jesus' integrity and courage.

So, it makes sense to call it "Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion." Still, old customs and old terminology don't change easily.



SPIRITUAL SEEDS

by Tracy Watson, RPI Associate Catholic Chaplain

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Join us on Tuesday, March 26th: Holy Week Stations Adoration at 7:15pm in the Chapel.

Hope to see you then!

Got a suggestion? A question?

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