

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

29 March 2015

From the Administrator's Desk



Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! (Mark 11:9)

When artists talk about contrast, they're referring to the arrangement of opposite elements--light versus dark, small versus large, rough versus smooth. It's a technique they use to add a dramatic effect to their work. If we thought of God as an artist, we would definitely say that Palm Sunday is a study in contrasts. God created the universe out of nothing, fashioned the stars and planets, sustains every living thing, and knows every hair on our heads. Yet this same awesome, all-powerful God chose to enter Jerusalem riding on a donkey. You can't have a more dramatic contrast than that. Or can you?

That Jesus, our King, came to his people riding a lowly pack animal is a huge contrast. But even more dramatic is the fact that he was crowned with thorns and not with gold, and beaten rather than worshipped. Or that he, who would judge heaven and earth, was judged and condemned by the very people he created.

Jesus went through all the pain and humiliation of the cross so that we could be reconciled with God. He who is Life itself embraced death so that we could receive eternal life.

Keep this in mind during Mass today. During the Holy, Holy, remember the citizens of Jerusalem who spread out their cloaks and waved palm branches at Jesus. Like you, they called out, "Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." But just a few days later, they joined the Sanhedrin in calling out, "Crucify him!" (Mark 15:14). And through it all, through all the contrasts and ups and downs that he faced, Jesus continued to love. He continued to forgive. He never forgot his mission to save us all.

So when you say these words, do it with all the conviction you can muster. Praise the Lord for coming so humbly. And tell him you don't want any more contrasts in your life!

*"Lord, thank you for coming to us so humbly!
Teach me to follow your example of self-sacrifice and compassion."*

Attention



Transfiguration your help is needed... Easter Egg Hunt

On Easter Sunday, April 5, 2015 we are hosting an *Easter Egg Hunt* for our children. We still need lots of candy and plastic eggs. Please bring them to the rectory office.

Easter Flower Offering

We are asking that you be as generous as possible with your giving for Easter. Envelopes are at the church exit. The envelopes will be placed on the altar for prayer in Memory of or in Honor of your love ones.

Mass Intentions

Saturday **March 28**
5:15 PM Soul of John Lageman
Sunday **March 29**
8:00 AM Soul of Lillian White
10:00 AM Intention of all Parishioners
12:15 PM Intention of Sarah Johns

Readings for the week

Sunday Mk 11:1-10, Ps 22:8-24, Mk 14:1-15:47
Monday Is 42:1-7, Jn 12:1-11
Tuesday Is 49:1-6, Jn 13:21-38
Wednesday Is 50:4-9a, Mt 26:14-25
Thursday Is 61:1-3-9, Lk 4:16-21
Friday Is 52:13-53:12, Jn 18:1-19:42
Saturday Gn 1:2-2:2, Ex 14:15-51:1, Is 54:5-14
Sunday Rom 6:3-11, Ps 118:1-23, Mk 16:1-7

March 22, 2015 Weekly Collection

\$5,701.30 Tithe and Offering
\$ 11.00 Building Fund
\$ 10.00 "We Care"

SAVE THE DATE

May 22, 23 and 24, 2015

REVIVAL

at Transfiguration Church

"The Spirit of Pentecost"

Transfiguration School News!

Our School competed in the 25th **Academic Junior High Decathlon** competition for only the 4th year. This year our team came in 48th place out of 115 schools. 8th grader Audia Hughes also won 1st place in Science. We are so proud of our team. Go Eagles!

On April 19th, at the 10AM mass, we will honor the **Academic Decathlon team** and our 8th grade students. We will also have a delicious BBQ fundraiser after all masses.

We are offering **summer school** from June 22 to July 17. The cost is only \$300.00 which includes: high school placement preparation, academics, sports, and fine and performing arts courses. Please call the school for more information 323.292.3011.

Petition of the Sick

Virgie Aguilar, LaVern Agnew, Brian Argusta, Joyce Barnett, Rose Ball, Veronica Bearce, Sister Juliet Berber, Glenda Brown, Andrei Briggs, Vivian Burgess, Barbara Butler, Brownie Cain, Sister Cecilia Calva, Mary Captain, Alberto Casanova, Harry Charles, Katherine Clark, Edward Cousin, Beverly Colvin-Dorsey, Beryl Davidson, Nigel Dunn, Ethel Earley, Robert Evans, Connie Farlice, Dwight Fauria, Gwen Files, Teresa Franklin, Stacy Franklin, Marian Fussey, Sister Mary Michaeline Gahwolf, Judy Felton-Gardner, Mavis Gibbs, Refugio Godinez, Nancy Goosby, Jane Grover, Barbara Harris, Jacqueline Holman, Msgr. Robert Howard, Mattie Hilburn, Janie Jackson, Aaron Jittu, Robert Jordan, Walita Keyes, Irwin Lagarde, Jeanne LeBlanc, Barbara Lindsey, Connie Louie, Joe McZeal, Vylfred Manor, Sister Marianna, Mary Ann Mayer, Dorothy Okoye, Martina Peters, Daisy Pratt, Wiley R. Pugh, Andrea Raggette, Michelle Raines, Emma Rausch, Dottie Rodriguez, Lolita Rodriguez, Refugio Godinez, Dana Semien, Dudley Semien, Reanna Semien, George Simon, Sr., Lionel Smith, Sr., Darnell Stang, Barbara Starks, Michele Starks, Annie Starks, Wilbur Starks, Alice Tenette, Leila Thomas, Stephanie Thompson, Emma Thornton, Iris Turner, and Patricia Williams.



On Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday during the singing "Gloria" bells will ring.

You are invited to bring bells from home to the services.

ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE FOR HOLY WEEK

Holy Thursday, April 2nd Arrival time for Servers by 7:00 PM
Lanigi Chinilio, Martin Hill, Alonzo Ramos, Jeremiah Sykes, Kenya & Destiny Mayers

Good Friday, April 3rd Arrival time for Servers by 1:00 PM
Dillon Rickenbacker, David Brown, Cori Chapman, Samia Marine

Holy Saturday, April 4th Arrival time for Servers by 7:30 PM
Ruben Martinez, Marc Anthony Martinez, Martin Hill, Alonzo Ramos, Lanigi Chinilio

ALTAR SERVERS EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 5TH

8AM

Kniya Addy
Carlos Ordonez
Korina Ordonez
Alonzo Ramos

10AM

Martin Hill
Lanigi Chinilio
David Brown
Nathan Burrell

12:15PM

Kenya Mayers
Destiny Mayers
Samia Marine