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Kiln

March 24, 2024 **Palm Sunday**

Masses

Saturday Vigil: 4:00pm

Sunday: 8am, 10:30am

Weekday Mass: (Chapel)

(Monday, Thursday, Friday (8:00am Chapel) Wednesday (5:30pm Chapel)

First Friday:

Anointing of the Sick (of the Month)

Fridays: **Devotion To Sacred**

Heart

Adoration 8:30 - 6pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:00 - 3:45 pm (Before Sunday Masses and by Appointment)

Office Hours

Mon-Friday: 8:30am - 12:30pm Wednesday: 8:30am - 12:00pm

Parish Secretary: Rachel Barnett

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TODAY'S READING'S

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

Responsorial Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

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

All who see me scoff at me; they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads: "He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him, let him rescue him, if he loves him."

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

Indeed, many dogs surround me, a pack of evildoers closes in upon me; They have pierced my hands and my feet; I can count all my bones.

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

They divide my garments among them, and for my vesture they cast lots. But you, O LORD, be not far from me; O my help, hasten to aid me.

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

I will proclaim your name to my brethren; in the midst of the assembly I will praise you: "You who fear the LORD, praise him; all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him; revere him, all you descendants of Israel!"

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

Reading II Phil 2:6-11

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.

Gospel Mk 14:1—15:47

Passion of the Lord. Page 373 Book of Sacred Liturgy.

Reflections:

Crowned with thorns, our Lord is lifted up on the Cross, where He dies as "King of the Jews." Notice how many times He is called "king" in today's Gospel—mostly in scorn and mockery. As we hear the long accounts of His Passion, at every turn we must remind ourselves—He suffered this cruel and unusual violence for us. He is the Suffering Servant foretold by Isaiah in today's First Reading. He reenacts the agony described in today's Psalm, and even dies with the first words of that Psalm on His lips (see Psalm 22:1). Listen carefully for the echoes of this Psalm throughout today's Gospel—as Jesus is beaten, His hands and feet are pierced; as His enemies gamble for His clothes, wagging their heads, mocking His faith in God's love, His faith that God will deliver Him. Are we that much different from our Lord's tormenters? Often, don't we deny that He is King, refusing to obey His only commands that we love Him and one another? Don't we render Him mock tribute, pay Him lip service with our half-hearted devotions? In the dark noon of Calvary, the veil in Jerusalem's temple was torn. It was a sign that by His death Jesus destroyed forever the barrier separating us from the presence of God. He was God and yet humbled Himself to come among us, we're reminded in today's Epistle. And despite our repeated failures, our frailty, Jesus still humbles Himself to come to us, offering us His body and blood in the Eucharist. His enemies never understood: His kingship isn't of this world (see John 18:36). He wants to write His law, His rule of life on our hearts and minds. As we enter Holy Week, let us once more resolve to give Him dominion in our lives. Let us take up the cross He gives to us—and confess with all our hearts, minds, and strength that truly this is the Son of God.

Palm Sunday - March 24, 2024, Holy Day of Obligation

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified. Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the reenactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect. Palm branches are widely recognized symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday. The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war. A week later, Christ would rise from the dead on the first Easter. During Palm Sunday Mass, palms are distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. The palms are blessed and many people will fashion them into small crosses or other items of personal devotion. These may be returned to the church or kept for the year. Because the palms are blessed, they may not be discarded as trash. Instead, they are appropriately gathered at the church and incinerated to create the ashes that will be used in the follow year's Ash Wednesday observance. The colors of the Mass on Palm Sunday are red and white, symbolizing the redemption in blood that Christ paid for the world.

Holy Week Mass Schedule

Holy Thursday: Mass 6pm with 'Washing of the feet' followed by Adoration.

Good Friday: (No 8am mass) 'Stations of Cross' 3pm followed by 'Veneration of the Cross' 4pm

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil 7pm

Easter Sunday: 8 & 10:30am

There will be a Special Collection on Good Friday for the Holy Land

Knights of Columbus 'Baby Bottle' fund drive will be ending Sunday, March 24th. Please return the bottles with your loose change. These donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Please call the office with mass and special intentions for your loved ones. Dates are open.

Parish office will be closed on Good Friday and Monday after Easter.

Good Friday 'Stations of the Cross' will begin at 3pm followed by 'Veneration of the Cross' at 4pm



Church Cleaning

Team 5 this week

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday March 23 Peggy Ladner + 4pm-March 24 Sunday 8:00am-Peggy, Larry & Jay Ladner 10:30am- Parishioners of Annunciation Monday March 25 8:00am Toddy Arceneaux+ Tuesday March 26 Wednesday March 27 5:30pm-Anthony Lind + Thursday March 28 6:00pm-Bryan & Jimmy Adams + Friday March 29 8:00am-(No Mass)



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Financial News

Insurance To be deter Diocesan Support t-b-d **School Supplement** t-b-d Salaries, Utilities, & Other t-b-d Expenses **Total Yearly** t-b-d Financial Obligations t-b-d Amount needed each Week **Last Sunday Collection** \$2,949.15 YTD Needed t-b-d YTD Collected \$38,786.15 YTD Shortfall t-b-d

Prayer Request

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