

Palm Sunday

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The Commemoration of the Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem

• [Mark 11:1-10](#) • [Isaiah 50:4-7](#) • [Psalm 22](#) • [Philippians 2:6-11](#) • [Mark 14:1-15:47](#) •

The two Gospel readings today can give us emotional whiplash. As Mass begins, we hear the story of Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. We may even wave our own palm branches and join the crowd in shouting, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!" (Mark 11:9). Then, in the Liturgy of the Word, we hear Mark's passion account. Once again, we join our voices with the crowd—but this time, we cry out, "Crucify him!" (15:13). How jarring!

Why does the Church have us play a role in both of these readings as we begin Holy Week?

It's all for one purpose: so that we can grasp more fully what Jesus did for the crowds back then—and for us. As we will see throughout Holy Week, he accepted the suffering set before him and freely offered himself for his people, regardless of how they responded. Whether they acclaimed or condemned him, he loved them just the same. And that's how he loves us.

Jesus is not put off by our fickleness. That's good news! Because if we're honest, we can all recognize times when our own commitment to the Lord and our love for him has wavered. When life is going well, it's not so hard to praise him. But it can be another story altogether when danger threatens or sadness darkens our outlook.

So allow these passages to motivate you to pay attention to this final week in Christ's life. Acknowledge the inconstancy of your own love for Jesus and ask him to strengthen you. But don't stop there! Open your heart to the liberating truth that Jesus loves you even when you stray. Look at the cross and believe that he held you close to his heart throughout his passion, death, and resurrection.

May the Lord pour out graces on us all during this most holy week of the year!

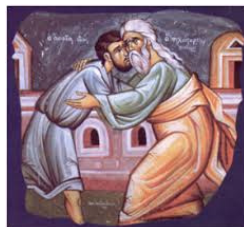
the Word among us

"Lord, prepare me to receive you more deeply as I prepare for the feast of your resurrection!"

Healing Service

THIS Saturday

Healing Service at Our Lady of the Mountains at
6:00 pm on Saturday
23rd March, after 5:00 pm Mass.



Good Friday Collection

On Good Friday, 29th March there will be a Pontifical collection for the Holy Land in support of Christian communities, the work of the Holy Land, the upkeep of the Holy Sites and the formation of future priests.

Let us give generously and show solidarity in responding to the needs of the Church in the land of Jesus.

Mass Times

Sunday Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains	Saturday	5:00 pm	Rosary at 4:30 pm
Our Lady of the Mountains	Sunday	9:00 am	Rosary at 8:30 am
St. Christopher's Mt. Currie	Sunday	11:30 am	
St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton	Sunday	1:00 pm	

Daily Mass

Our Lady of the Mountains	Monday 9:00 am, Tuesday & Wednesday 6:00 pm
	SEE BELOW for Sacred Paschal Triduum
St. Francis of Assisi, Pemberton	Wednesday and Friday at 11:00 am

Our Lady of the Mountains

Rosary before Mass on Saturdays and Sundays: for those who have left the Church

Bible Study	Tuesdays	5:00-6:00 pm – all welcome
Adult Faith Formation	Tuesdays	6:30-7:30 pm – all welcome
Way of the Cross,	Fridays	5:00- 6:00 pm – all welcome
Holy Hour & Confessions	Fridays	6:30- 7:30 pm – all welcome

MASS LECTORS



Our Lady of the Mountains

Sat 30th March Heidi
Sun. 31st March Rebecca

St. Christopher's
Sun 31st March Volunteer

St. Francis of Assisi
Sun 31st March Michael
 Marcus

Sacrament of Reconciliation – Contact Fr. Andrew L'Heureux Cell: 778-257-4203

Four Catholic Podcasts You Don't Want to Miss!

From the Augustine Institute

Catholic Rosary: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/the-catholic-rosary/id1713088810>

Prayer & Meditation: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/catholic-prayer-meditation/id1718572041>

Talk show: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/augustine-institute-catholic-talk-show/id1681929030>

Catholic Bible Study: <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/catholic-bible-study/id1572>

“All our merit, my children, consists of cooperating with grace.” St. John Vianney




Lenten Sisterhood and Brotherhood Groups

Contact Fr. Andrew or sign up on the parish noticeboard

Sisterhood:

OLOM	Monday	6:30 pm
	Wednesday	6:30 pm
St. Francis of Assisi	Wednesday	7:00 pm

Brotherhood:

OLOM	Thursday	6:30 pm	
St. Francis of Assisi	Thursday	7:00 pm	

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

HOLY THURSDAY – March 28th

St. Christopher's at 5 pm, confessions before Mass
 Our Lady of the Mountains at 8:00 pm, confessions after

GOOD FRIDAY- March 29th

Our Lady of the Mountains - Way of the Cross at 3:00 pm
 Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 6:00 pm

St. Christopher's –

Celebration of the Lord's Passion at 3:00 pm

HOLY SATURDAY – March 30th

Our Lady of the Mountains - Vigil at 9:00 pm
 Blessing of the Festive Foods at 11:00 am

EASTER SUNDAY – March 31st

Our Lady of the Mountains at 9:00 am and 5:00 pm
 St. Christopher's at 11:30 am
 St. Francis of Assisi at 1:00 pm

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord



All Masses today take place with the Commemoration of the Lord's entrance into Jerusalem, “to accomplish his Paschal Mystery”. That Commemoration takes place in the form of the procession.

This is the mystery we enter into today and this week, culminating in the **Sacred Paschal Triduum**. Through the celebration of the liturgy, we seek to participate in the mystery of his dying and rising; through that participation, we seek to be transformed so that our lives may more closely be a reflection of his way of humility.

Office Hours

Monday to Thursday 9:30am-3:00pm
 In important or urgent matters, call:
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