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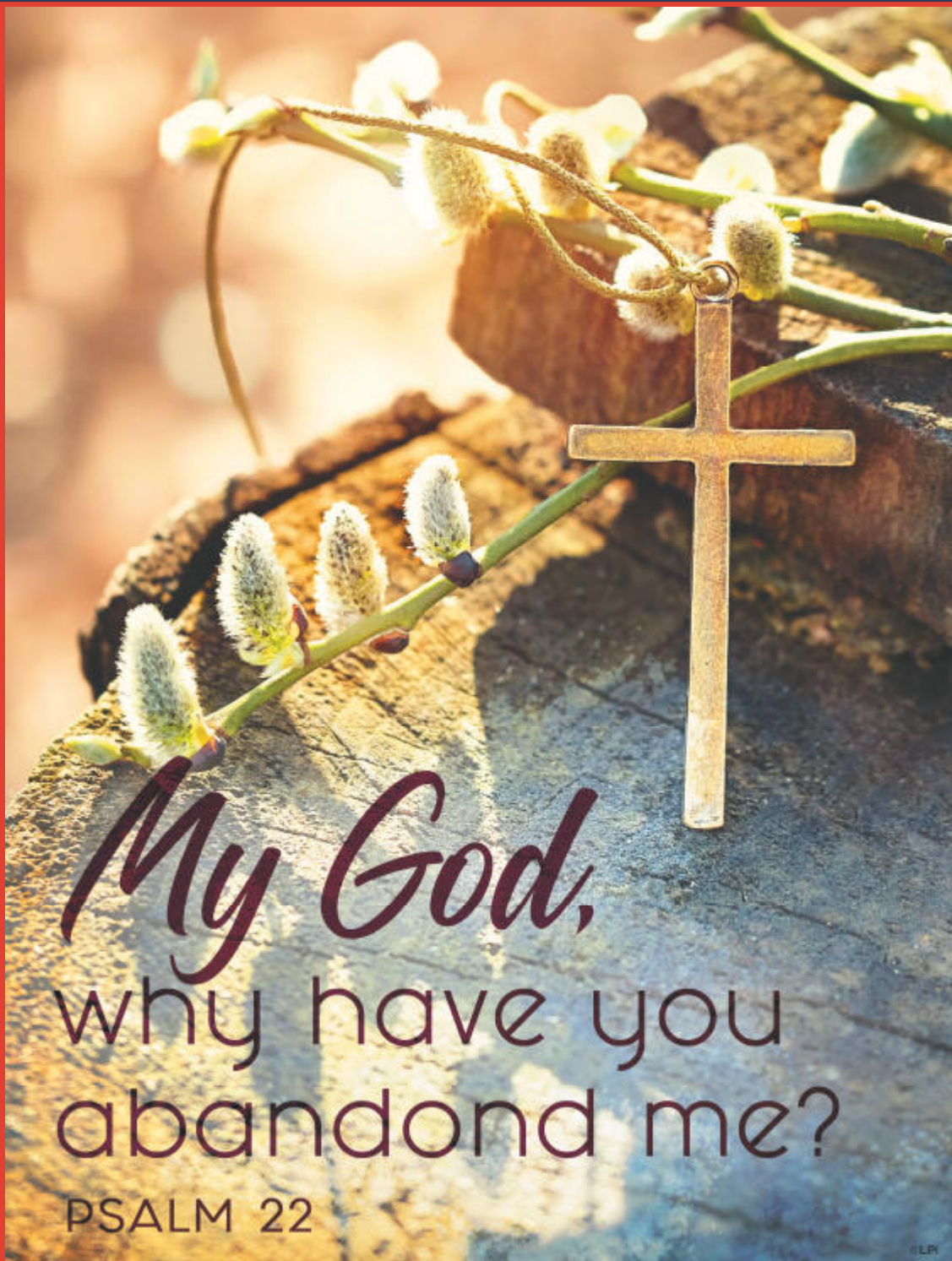
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why have you
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All of us need to be extra careful during the Coronavirus outbreak. Here are some simple ways to keep sickness away.



WASH YOUR HANDS
Wash your hands for at least 20 seconds using soap and water. If you can't wash your hands, use hand sanitizer frequently.



DON'T TOUCH YOUR FACE
Especially around the eyes, nose and mouth. If you must sneeze, use a tissue or your arm.



KEEP YOUR DISTANCE
Practice social distancing during this epidemic and stay away from large groups. Instead, call, email or check up on family and friends using social media.

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Now more than ever, it's important to stay connected within your community. You might not be able to visit our church, but you can still stay in touch! Just go to www.parishesonline.com to sign up to receive your church bulletin delivered straight to your inbox. Just search for our church's name and click Subscribe.



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The City is providing vaccination for Englewood residents who are at least 18 years old. Here is the registration link...

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Readings for the Week of March 28, 2021

Sunday

Mk 11:1-10 or Jn 12:12-16

Is 50:4-7

Ps 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24 [2a] Phil 2:6-11

Mk 14:1—15:47 or 15:1-39

Monday

Is 42:1-7

Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14 [1a]

Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday

Is 49:1-6

Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17 [cf. 15ab]

Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday

Is 50:4-9a

Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34 [14c]

Mt 26:14-25

Thursday

Chrim Mass: Is 61:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9

Ps 89:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [2a]

Rv 1:5-8

Lk 4:16-21

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper:

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 [cf. 1 Cor 10:16]

Cor 11:23-26

Jn 13:1-15

Friday

Is 52:13—53:12

Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25 [Lk 23:46]

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9

Jn 18:1—19:42

Saturday

Vigil: Gn 1:1—2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a

Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12, 13-14, 24, 35 [30] or

Ps 33:4-5, 6-7, 12-13, 20-22 [5b]

Gn 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

Ps 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11 [1]

Ex 14:15—15:1/Ex 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18 [1b]

Is 54:5-14

Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]

Is 55:1-11

Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [3]

Bar 3:9-15, 32—4:4

Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]

Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28

Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 [42:2] or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 [3]

or Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 [12a]

Rom 6:3-11

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23/Mk 16:1-7

Next Sunday

Acts 10:34a, 37-43

Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23 [24]

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8

Jn 20:1-9 or Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP —

**RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR
ORDINARY MOMENTS**

WALK EVERY STEP WITH CHRIST

Holy Week is a week for being mindful. We must set loose the baggage of Lent, and not be deterred by the dazzling sunrise of Easter morning beckoning in the distance.

It's okay for us to be excited for Easter. We've waited so long, after all. In my opinion it's one of the best feelings there is: the yearning we have in our hearts for the Resurrection as we embark on Palm Sunday. And in a purely logical sense, many of us have Easter celebrations for which we are preparing, and practical considerations to contend with. It's going to be a busy week, one likely full of happy distractions.

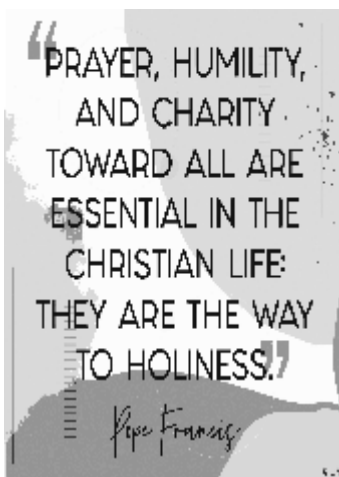
But my friends, we simply must keep our feet on the ground. Let's not "skip" Holy Week. Resist the urge to flip to the last page of the book, to fast-forward to the final scene of the movie. Don't rob yourself of the journey. This week is a blessed opportunity. It is this week that teaches us who we are. In the span of the Triduum, we have the birthday of the priesthood, the institution of the Eucharist, the sacrifice on Calvary and so many other vivid and meaningful scenes.

It may sound strange, to advise someone to savor the moments of Holy Week. There are so many violent and heartrending moments, after all. But this is the valley of tears, remember — we are not in Heaven yet. And here, in our fallen, sin-filled world, it is the heartrending moments that seem to matter the most.

These are the moments that define us as Catholics. Live them. Cherish them. Be present for each one.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

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