

# ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC CHURCH

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MARCH 24TH, 2024

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#### **WEEKEND MASSES**

Saturday: 5PM Vigil Sunday: 7:30AM, 9AM,

11AM, 5PM

#### **DAILY MASSES**

Mon, Wed, Fri: 6:30 AM, 8AM Tues, Thu, Sat: 8AM

#### CONFESSION

Wednesdays: 5:15 - 5:45PM Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:45PM

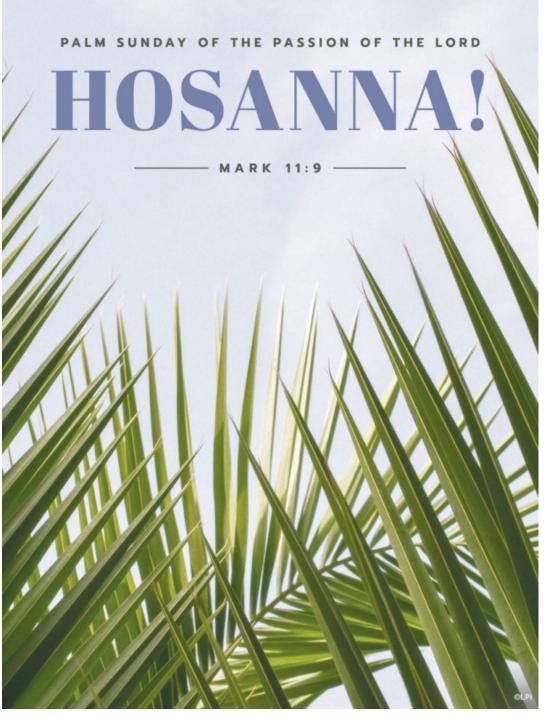
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Mon-Fri: 8:30AM - 4:30PM Closed for lunch 12:30-1:30PM (CLOSED WEEKENDS)

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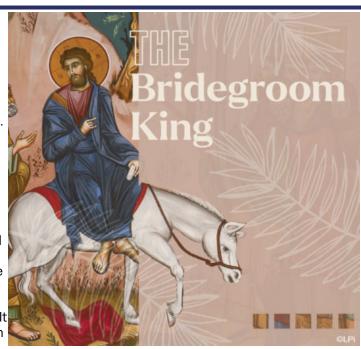


#### GOSPEL MEDITATION

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

A few months before they married, my twenty-three-year-old sister and her fiancé planned a cross-country road trip to visit his family. My parents told them that they could only go if they slept in separate hotel rooms, offering to foot the bill. It might sound prudish, but my parents wanted the young couple to understand that their approaching unity was close, but not yet. Patience solidifies love.

What could this possibly have to do with Palm Sunday? It's usually overlooked, but the Gospels tell us that, after entering Jerusalem, Jesus "looked around ... and since it was late, went out to Bethany with the twelve" (Mk 11:11) for the night. Who cares? Why include this detail? Jews in those days believed that the new Davidic King would one day re-enter and "marry" the city. A new future marked by fidelity would begin for God's people. Israel's God would be in union with His people forever. Without over-sexualizing the metaphor, perhaps Jesus refused to sleep in Jerusalem to remind us of his marital purpose. He was entering Jerusalem as the bridegroom-king. It was almost time, but not yet. Soon he will sleep in Jerusalem in the tomb and then something new will begin: his one body, his Church.



**Lenten challenge:** This Holy Week, I challenge you to keep this image in your mind all the way until Easter Sunday: Jesus is the faithful bridegroom who patiently prepares his bride for their new life together. Go to the Good Friday liturgy and kiss the cross. When you do, let that gesture be the long-awaited "I do" to our faithful God, who always waits for us.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

#### DID YOU KNOW? MARCH 23RD-24TH

# March 23-24 || Paying attention to negative behavioral cues

A child may not be able to verbalize when he or she is being abused, but



certain signs may prompt caregivers to take a closer look. Red flag behaviors may include a sudden change in behavior, like a child hating something he previously liked, or changing eating habits. Children suffering from abuse may become increasingly moody, aggressive, or depressed, or secretive and defensive. For more red flag behaviors, read the VIRTUS® article "Being Attentive to Children and Youth" at

https://lacatholics.org/did-you-know/

#### **CHURCH OFFICE HOLIDAY CLOSURE**

Our Parish Office will be closing at 12:30 on Friday, March 29th, to help our staff prepare for Easter. It will re-open on Tuesday, April 2nd. We wish you all a wonderful Faster.



#### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**



### MASS INTENTIONS, WEEKLY READINGS, & MASS CELEBRANTS

#### **DAILY PRAYERS**

#### **PERSONAL PRAYER IN THE CHURCH**

MONDAYS & FRIDAYS: 6AM - 5PM

TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS: 7AM - 5PM

WEDNESDAYS: 6AM - 6PM

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS: 7AM - 6PM

**DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET + ADORATION** 

In the Church - Wednesdays at 5PM

#### **DAILY ROSARY**

Monday-Saturday following all 8AM Masses and after 6:30AM Masses on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays



#### SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

#### BAPTISM:

Please contact the Parish Office at 310-670-2243 ext.36 for information, as parents and godparents are required to participate in a preprepartion baptism course. You may also email Dianalee Dupree at DDupree@st-anastasia.org for information on the completion of all requirements. All requirements are to be completed <u>4 weeks</u> prior to a scheduled Baptism.

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION, HOLY COMMUNION & HS CONFIRMATION:

Please contact Dianalee Dupree

Call: 310-670-2243 Ext. 51 or Email: DDupree@st-anastasia.org

Adult Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist (OCIA):

for information on becoming Catholic contact Parish Office at

310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

#### MARRIAGE:

Engaged couples must contact the Office 6 months before their proposed wedding date. Call the Parish Office: 310-670-2243.

#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Sacrament for the Sick is celebrated upon request of the family. **DON'T WAIT UNTIL THEIR CONDITION BECOMES DIRE**. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

#### MASS INTENTIONS & PRAYER REQUESTS:

Arranged by contacting the Parish Office with names of loved ones. Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 or Email: parish@st-anastasia.org

Note: Due to privacy and confidentiality laws, permission must be given by a family member to publish a loved one's name for mass intentions and prayer requests.

#### **FUNERAL PLANNING:**

Call the Parish Office 310-670-2243 to arrange funeral or memorial services.

#### MASS INTENTIONS & READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Birthday ★ Support ◆ Anniversary ♥ Memorial む

SUN, March 24th: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Holy Week begins 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/Mk14:1-15:47 or 15:1-39

7:30 AM - Jan Semik 🕆

9 AM - St. Anastasia Parishioners •

11 AM - Bernadeta & Jan Semik **한 한** 5 PM -Wanda Stefanski **한** 

MON, March 25th:

Is 42:1-7/Ps 27:1, 2, 3, 13-14/Jn 12:1-11

6:30 AM -Montrice 🕏

8 AM -Katia Abbas \*

#### TUESDAY, March 26th:

Is 49:1-6/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4a, 5ab-6ab, 15 and 17/Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

8 AM - Daniel Michael "Punch" O'Mahony III &

#### WED, March 27th:

Is 50:4-9a/Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31 and 33-34/Mt 26:14-25

6:30 AM -Msgr. Royale M. Vadakin ★ 합 8 AM -Bernadeta & Jan Semik 합합

#### THUR, March 28th: Holy Thursday

Ex 12:1-8, 11-14/Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18 (see 1 Cor 10:16)/1 Cor 11:23-26/Jn 13:1-15

7PM - Holy Thursday

#### FRIDAY, March 29th: Good 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/Jn18:1-19:42

3 PM- Stations of The Cross 7PM- The Passion of The Lord

#### SATURDAY, March 30th: Holy Saturday

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)/ Rom 6:3-11/Mk 16:1-7

8PM - Easter Vigil

#### **NEXT SUNDAY'S MASS CELEBRANTS & READINGS**

SAT: 8PM	Fr. Semik
SUN: 7:30AM	Msgr. Cox
SUN: 9AM	Fr. Rozborski
SUN: 11AM	Fr. Semik
SUN: 5PM	No 5PM Mass

**First Reading**: This man God raised on the third day and granted that he be visible, not to all the people, but to us, the witnesses chosen by God in advance, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. (Acts 10:40-41)

**Psalm:** This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad. (Ps 118) **Second Reading**: If then you were raised with Christ, seek what is above, where Christ is seated at the right hand of God. (Col 3:1)

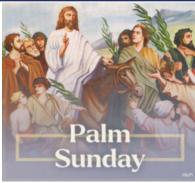
**Gospel:** For they did not yet understand the Scripture that he had to rise from the dead. (Jn 20:9)

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

#### REFLECTIONS

#### **Palm Sunday**

It was during the fourth century in Jerusalem that Christians first starting using palm branches in commemoration of Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem. Today, we continue to use palms in most churches on this Sunday, Catholic and



Protestant alike. It is one of those traditions of worship that, no matter how far apart we may seem at times, we continue to share due to our common heritage.

But Palm Sunday is also known as Passion Sunday, because we hear an account of the passion of Jesus Christ during the liturgy. Most churches also share this reading in common. Many Catholic parishes use multiple lectors to proclaim the Gospel, while it is not uncommon for a similar reading or even a performance in many mainstream Protestant churches.

The commonality found in the worship on this particular Sunday seems to highlight the fundamental truth in the observance: Jesus Christ died for everyone. He did not die on a cross for just Catholics, or just Orthodox, or just Protestants. Whether one acknowledges it or not, he was crucified for all those who are born of man. Today, we rejoice not just for what he has done for us but also for what he has done for all of creation.

#### PRAYERS FOR OUR ADULTS IN OCIA

You might see unique rites taking place over the next week as our adult catechumens get ready to receive their Sacraments of Initiation at the Easter



Vigil. Their attention shifts from instruction to introspection, as they embark on a phase of purification and enlightenment. We are all asked to partake in this cleansing process during Lent, letting go of anything that prevents us from becoming more intimately connected to God.

The have been participating in scrutinies over the past few weeks, meant to help them (and us) examine areas of our lives in need of purification, and pray with openness for God's loving grace. Let us continue to pray for Benjamin, Jeremy, Danielle, and Katia during this period of conversion.

#### **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Deadline for any pulpit announcements is **Thursdays by 12N**. If you have any announcements for the bulletin, please email bulletin@st-anastasia.org. March 31st bulletin content due: **Thursday, March 28th.** 

#### **KID'S CORNER**

# "Jesus, please fill my heart with your love".

Why would anyone want to hurt Jesus? That makes no sense! He showed us how to love one another. But some people bullied Jesus and called him names. How awful is that? They wanted him to stop preaching. They picked up stones to throw at Jesus. It's hard to believe, but it's true. And how did Jesus react? Did he fight back and say hurtful things in return? No way! Jesus did not throw stones. Instead, he walked away. Jesus knew, that when this kind

of hurtful anger fills our hearts, there is no room for love. -Living Faith Kids



#### **BIBLE STUDY**

St. Anastasia Bible Study

# The Four Gospels



- In the earliest days, Christians were called followers of 'The Way' of the Lord, as described in the Four Gospels.
- Coming to know Jesus more deeply in the Gospels is the key to building profound confidence and genuine Christian Hope.
- Our study of The Four Gospels begins March 19. Attend either the morning session, 9:00–10:30 am, or the evening session, 7:30–9:00 pm.
   Meetings are held in the Parish Hall. Materials \$20.



No need to register if you signed up for 'Last Things'.

Scan the QR Code, or register at the Parish Office or Online: (Select 'Giving' menu; press 'Make a Donation' button; scroll down to Bible Study.) Contact: Carolyn Godlewski ScriptureStudyStA@gmail.com

## LIVE THE LITURGY

#### Inspiration of the week

The crowds of Jerusalem beautified the path of Jesus as he came into the city, offering their own cloaks in homage. Let us make way in our hearts for the King as we enter into Holy Week.

#### PARISH LIFE & SCHOOL

#### **PARISH EASTER EGG HUNT**



#### MINISTRY MEETINGS AND EVENTS

March 26th: Bible Study (Every Tuesday 9-10:30 am or 7:30-9 pm) Location: Parish Hall

<u>March 26th</u>: Ministry of Consolation (Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month at 7pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

March 27th: Adult Choir (Every Wednesday at 6:15PM)

<u>April 3rd</u>: Men's Morning Hour (Every 1st Wednesday of the month after 6:30AM Mass) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

<u>April 5th</u>: Prayer Group (Every Friday 6pm-8pm) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

**April 10th: Baptismal Ministry** (Every 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm) Location: Parish Hall

<u>April 18th</u>: Companions on the Journey (Every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 10AM-11:30AM) Location: Parish Office Conference Room

Altar Society: (Every Thursday after 8AM Mass and Rosary) Location: Diamond Courtyard w/ light refreshments and treats.



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**Local contact:** Laura Frederick, 202-361-5166, 40days4lifelawndale@gmail.com **Get involved** ...learn more... and sign up for prayer times by visiting:

40daysforlife.com/Lawndale

#### **BEYOND OUR PARISH**

#### MARY AND JOSEPH CENTER



The Pregnancy Help Center presents its 37th Annual **Walk for Life South Bay on Saturday, May 18th**, at Veterans Park, Redondo Beach, 7:30 am onsite registration & pre-walk festivities (music, snacks, face painting). Join the St. Anastatia team to walk together, raise money and save lives every step of the way. 100% of proceeds provide free pregnancy services for clients of the Center. For information or to register- event.fundeasy.com/27239 or call the Center at 424-263-4855. **Sign up by April 23rd and raise/pay \$45 to be guaranteed a Walk t-shirt**. Thank you!





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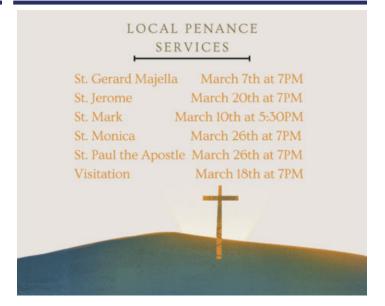
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