

WELCOME TO PALM SUNDAY AND HOLY WEEK

Upon Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem, the people greeted him with hope and joy exclaiming "Hosanna in the highest. Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!" Let us at this time, remind ourselves that we too are a people of hope and joy as we welcome Jesus into our hearts and homes this Holy Week.



READING SUNDAY'S GOSPEL — THE PASSION OF THE LORD MT 26:38-39

'My Father, if it is possible let this cup pass me by. Nevertheless, let it be as you, not I, would have it.'

Read the full text of the Gospel in 'parts' with your family at https://liturgyhelp.com/ (Create a free account)

REFLECTION:

Humility is above all God's way: God humbles himself to walk with his people...During this week, let us set about with determination along this same path of humility, with immense love for him, our Lord and Saviour. Love will guide us and give us strength. For where he is, we too shall be **(cf. Jn 12:26)**

(Pope Francis, Palm Sunday Homily, 29 March 2015)

Q. In challenging times and with humility, do you surrender and trust in God and pray, as Jesus did and as we do in the Our Father, "Your will be done"?

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES:

Stations of the Cross: https://www.cssr.org.au/pray_with_us/ dsp-default.cfm?loadref=263

The following resources are on the Formed platform, free short-term subscription available

Reflection on Palm Sunday by Edward Sri https://watch.formed.org/videos/palmsunday-of-the-passion-of-the-lord-april-14-2019

Talk on Holy Week by Dr Brant Pitre https://watch.formed.org/holy-week-by-drbrandt-pitre/videos/holy-week

SONG:

Matt Maher – 40 days: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NWKRhk-yYI0

THIS WEEK:

Create a sacred prayer space in your home using branches (palm, olive or Eucalyptus), a crucifix, a candle and some holy water.



PRAYER:

Dear Lord, I pray that you keep our families safe from all that is going on in the world. I also pray for the countries and people who are suffering because of the Coronavirus. **Amen**

(Vanessa Sarkis – Year 2, Glenorie Public School)

CHILDREN'S RESOURCES:

Holy Week activities & explanation: https://cathfamily.org/holy-week -explained/

Stations of the Cross for Families: https://thekidsbulletin.com/stations -of-the-cross/



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MORE HOLY WEEK RESOURCES AT http://bbcatholic.org.au/connected

