



PALM SUNDAY

The Passion of the Lord

March 16, 2008

ST. ELIZABETH OF HUNGARY CHURCH

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday	Mass of the Lord's Supper	March 20	7:30 PM
Good Friday	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	March 21	7:30 PM
Holy Saturday	Easter Vigil	March 22	7:30 PM
Easter Sunday	Mass of the Lord's Resurrection	March 23	9:00 and 11:00 AM

On Holy Saturday there will be **NO** 4:00 PM Vigil Mass. There will be **NO** 8:30 AM daily Mass on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday, but there will be Morning Prayer at 8:30 AM.

*Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 7:30 PM Easter Vigil Mass
for a community gathering where we will continue to celebrate
the Lord's Resurrection
in breaking bread and sharing food.*

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICE COLLECTION -Today there will be a second collection for Catholic Relief Services, which supports Catholic Church organizations that carry out international relief and solidarity efforts.

EASTER MEMORIAL FLOWERS - You may remember a loved one in a special way by making a donation in their name for the purchase of Easter plants for the altar. Suggested donation is \$10.00. The names of those memorialized will be published. Forms are in the back of the church.

IF YOU ARE PLANNING ON COMING TO THE POST EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION, please sign up as soon as possible. It really helps to know how many people will be here and what you are bringing. Thank you.

VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED to help with **serving** and **clean-up** for the Post Easter Vigil Celebration. **Please sign up.**

HOLY THURSDAY LITURGY - We need volunteers to participate in the Holy Thursday Ritual of the Washing of the Feet. **Please sign up.**

CHRISM MASS -The annual Chrism Mass, during which the holy oils are blessed for use during the following year, will be celebrated by Archbishop John Vlazny at 7 p.m. on Monday, March 17 at St. Mary's Cathedral. All are invited to attend.

OPERATION RICE BOWL - Please bring in your Rice Bowls or Rice Bowl envelopes on Easter or the first two Sundays after Easter. Also, the Holy Thursday collection will be given to Operation Rice Bowl.

LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE Our Lady of the Lake, Tuesday, March 18, 7:00 P.M.

With the children of the Hebrews the Church participates today in the triumph of Christ. He enters the holy city, Jerusalem, to pass from this world to his Father.

The passion narratives which are read on this Sunday form without a doubt the primitive heart of our gospels. There are many concerns which converge around these simple but dramatic stories. They influence the manner of recounting the passion. In the care taken to show that Christianity had nothing to do with a criminal or rebellious movement, the evangelists highlight both the plot which results in the death of Jesus and the innocence of the Savior crucified for sinners. They also demonstrate to Israel how this death fulfilled the scriptures, accomplished in the central event of the passion and in the details of its unfolding. The historical insertion of the crucifixion into the celebration of the Jewish Passover is decisive for Christians. Jesus replaced the immolation of the paschal lamb with the sacrifice of a new covenant. In addition to these apologetic and theological concerns, the evangelists proposed Jesus as a model of humility, of prayer, of endurance, of suffering. In these virtues which perfected the humanity of Jesus, the Church had much to learn.

The passion narratives are not reduced to a mere recitation of episodes. Marked by the personality of each evangelist, they present an undivided history in which the assaults of evil, carried to the heights in Jesus' passion, are rendered powerless by God.

LITURGICAL READINGS

Today: Passion (Palm) Sunday Matthew 21:1-11/ Isaiah 50:4-7/ Psalm 22/
Philippians 2:6-11/ Matthew 26:14 through 27:66

Monday: Isaiah 42:1-7/ Psalm 27/ John 12: 1-11

Tuesday: Isaiah 49: 1-6/ Psalm 71/ John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Isaiah 50:4-9a/ Psalm 69/ Matthew 26: 14-25

Thursday: Holy Thursday: Isaiah 60:1-3a, 6a, 8b-9/ Psalm 89/ Revelation 1:5-8/ Luke 4:16-21

Holy Thursday Evening Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14/ Psalm 116/ 1 Corinthians 11:23-26/ John 13:1-15

Friday: Good Friday of the Lord's Passion Isaiah 52:13—53:12/ Psalm 31/ Hebrews 4:14—16; 5:7-9/
John 18:1-19—19:42

Saturday: Holy Saturday: The Vigil of Easter Genesis 1:1—2:2/ Psalm 104/ Genesis 22: 1-18/ Psalm 16/
Exodus 14:15—15:1/ Isaiah 55:1-11/ Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28/ Psalm 42/ Romans 6:3-11/ Luke 24:1-12

Next Sunday: Easter Sunday: The Resurrection of the Lord Acts 10:34a, 37-43/ Psalm 118/ Colossians 3:1-4/
John 20:1-9

HOSPITALITY FOR NEXT WEEKEND: 9:00 am: Maryla and Greg Kaminski 11:00 am: Frankie and Daryl Anderson
If you cannot fulfill your assignment, please make sure you find a substitute. Thank you!

COLLECTION FOR LAST WEEKEND - \$3,536.00

SIMPLE SUPPER: \$10.00 Thank you.

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES

Saturday Vigil Mass: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m.

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday: 8:30 a.m.

Reconciliation: Saturday at 3:00 p.m.

Baptism and Anointing of the Sick: Please call the parish office.

Marriage: Six months' notice required.

PARISH STAFF

Rev. James M. Kolb, C.S.P., Administrator

Joan Enright, Secretary - 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m., Monday-Friday

Interested in joining St. Elizabeth Parish? Give us a call. 503-222-2168

Palm Sunday

Matthew 26:14--27:66

Today, the Gospel is the story of the Passion and Death of Jesus. This is the story of the last eighteen hours of Jesus' life and the way that he died. This is the beginning of the holiest week of the year.

Describe some ways that you and your family can make this week holy.

Can you think of a time when your family made this a holy week? Describe that . . . what did you do? What was it like?

In today's Gospel reading, who was released from the sentence of death and why?

