

# PALM SUNDAY

OF THE LORD'S PASSION

## *Redemptive Suffering*

The restrictions due to the corona virus will most probably prevent us from assembling for Passion Sunday. We can still remember what Passion Sunday signifies to us. Two of the Gospels from the weekday Masses of the Fifth Week of Lent catch my attention. In one Gospel Jesus condemns the religious leaders of the Jewish people for refusing to recognize the Messiah. The question that occurred to me was, "How could those who spent their lives in religion miss the Christ standing right in front of them?" I am convinced that they their fatal flaw resulted from their deciding that they had all the answers among themselves and within themselves. We can easily make this mistake ourselves. God's Presence in the world is far greater than we could ever imagine. His Power is deeper than we could ever achieve ourselves. Wrapped up in themselves, the Jewish leaders missed the Power and Presence of the Lord. If we are wrapped up into ourselves, we will also miss His Presence.

The second Gospel from this week that caught my attention contained Jesus' proclamation that when He is lifted up He would draw all people to Himself. The suffering of our Lord was necessary for all people. Christianity is not just a belief system for a select group of people. All people are saved by Jesus Christ, even good people searching for God, who have not received the grace to become Christian. By dying on the cross Jesus re-established mankind's ability to be united to God. Jesus' death gives all people spiritual life. This is what we mean when we use the term: *redemptive suffering*.

In the mystery of the Redemptive Suffering of the Lord, we participate in the cross of Christ. St. Paul put it this way in his *Letter to the Colossians*: "in my body I am filling up what is lacking in the afflictions of Christ on behalf of His Body, which is the Church." We all are. We all are making up for what is lacking. But how can there be a deficiency in Christ's sacrifice? The answer is this: we are entrusted with the proclamation of the Kingdom of God. The only way we can do this is by living the Life of Christ. That is why we are called Christians. We make Christ real in the world. Our living His Life includes our embracing His Sacrifice. We unite our pains and sorrows to the Lord as our part in making the presence of the Suffering Savior real in the world.

I wish I could tell you that pain does not exist and that you can make it go away with your mind. The pandemic that is the corona virus has certainly reminded us of our human condition. Suffering is part of our lives. One of the great beauties of our faith is that there is value in every aspect of the Christian's life, even those aspects of life that are full of pain. So we give it all to the Lord. We give Him our joy and our pain. If our health is poor or failing, if our lives are not going as we hoped, whatever pain we have, we give it to Him. We unite everything to the Cross so others can experience the Sacrificial Love of Jesus in our lives. Let me ask you this, "Have you ever met a truly holy person?" If you have, and I am sure we all have, we can't help but realize that for that person pain is secondary. The only thing that matters for him or her is Christ. And his or her very suffering provides us with the experience of Christ's Redemptive Presence. He or she is making up for what is lacking in the Cross of Christ: the participation of His people.

We focus on the cross today, and throughout this Holy Week. We unite our pains to Jesus' pains. We receive His healing through His Cross. And we bring His Healing to others by allowing them to experience the Power of the Cross at work in our lives. We are called to participate in Redemptive Suffering.

Yours in Christ,

*Major Joe*



## Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

The early Christians prayed in the church of the home. Once more, in troubled times when public worship has to be restricted, we are called to pray in "the domestic church", always aware of the promise of Jesus, "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there I am among them." (Matthew 18:20).



### *Pope Francis' Prayer To Mary for Protection from Coronavirus*

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick. At the foot of the Cross you participated in Jesus' pain, with steadfast faith. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need. We are certain that you will provide, so that, as you did at Cana of Galilee, joy and feasting might return after this moment of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the Father's will

and to do what Jesus tells us: He who took our sufferings upon Himself, and bore our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

We seek refuge under your protection, O Holy Mother of God. Do not despise our pleas – we who are put to the test – and deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin.

(Prayer by Pope Francis)

### *From Bishop Gregory Parkes:*

Effective immediately, I have decided to suspend the public celebration of Masses in the Diocese of St. Petersburg until it can be determined that it is safe to return to normal schedules and public worship.

Therefore, the faithful of the Diocese and all visitors present in the diocese are dispensed from the Obligation to attend Sunday Mass for as long as the suspension of public celebration of the Mass is in effect.

## St. Ignatius of Antioch Roman Catholic Church

Msgr. Joseph A. Pellegrino, Pastor  
715 E Orange Street  
Tarpon Springs, Florida 34689

### Mass Schedule:

Saturday.....4:00 and 6:30 p.m.  
(Fulfills Sunday Obligation)  
Sunday.....7:30, 9:00, 11:30 a.m. and  
6:00 p.m. Life Teen  
Weekdays.....7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m.  
Saturday.....9:00 a.m.

### Schedule of Confessions:

Saturday.....3:00– 3:45 p.m.  
and after the 6:30 p.m. Mass

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### Miraculous Medal Devotion:

Before 9 a.m. Mass each Wednesday

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursdays after 9 a.m. Mass until 10:15 a.m.  
First Friday of the Month 9:30 a.m. until 9 p.m.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office

Marriage: Please call the Parish Office  
at least 6 months in advance.

Holy Orders: Please call  
Rev. Chuck Dornquist at 345-3338

All Masses are Suspended and All Parish Events are postponed.

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## **Adoration, Services & Masses:**

Chapel open for Adoration from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
this week on

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

The Diocese will live stream the Chrism Mass  
on Tuesday at dosp.com at 11:30 a.m.

St. Ignatius will live stream Holy Week Triduum

Holy Thursday's Mass of the Lord's Supper

on April 9th at 7 p.m.,

Good Friday's Veneration of the Cross

on April 10th at 3 p.m.,

Solemn Easter Vigil Mass

on April 11th at 8 p.m.



A separate Easter Mass with each Priest,

Msgr. Pellegrino, Fr. Kyle & Fr. Kevin

will be on YouTube as the timing of the Event nears.

Go to YouTube, search St Ignatius Tarpon Springs and scroll.

You will also find Msgr. Joe leading the Rosary,  
previous daily and weekend Masses,  
and update messages from Fr. Kyle.

## Continue Faith Formation Education at Home

### For Kids:

**Tiny Saints...** has published free printable activity sheets for families and children who are missing Mass, school and might be stuck at home. Check out <https://www.tinysaints.com>

**Catholic Sprouts...** a Catholic mom Nancy offers a mix of prayer, saint stories, Scripture, and daily living designed for kids and young families at <https://catholicsprouts.com/Getting-Started>

**My Catholic Kids...** is offering free access to their children's video library during this time of national emergency. These videos help young children understand and engage with the Mass. Check out <https://mycatholickids.com/>

**Saint Stories for Kids...** Chantal Baros recreates saint stories, told in an engaging style and intermixed with sound effects for kids at <https://podcasts.apple.com/us/podcast/saint-stories-for-kids/id1448514363>

**Good News Book Shop...** based in South Florida, provides clean reads and faith filled books that will inspire youth to read more, laugh more, learn more, and grow in their faith and relationship with God each day. Check out <https://goodnewsbookshop.com/>

### For Teens and Twenty-Somethings:

**Podcast on Sunday with Life Teen evangelist Mark Hart...** where he talks about the Sunday readings with an emphasis on how to apply the lessons of scripture to everyday life at <https://lifeteen.com/media/podcast/sunday-sunday-sunday-podcast-mark-hart/>

**The Crunch...** where Ethan (a FOCUS missionary) and Patrick (a youth minister) have weekly conversations about what it means to live the Catholic faith as young adults at <https://patln3.wixsite.com/thecrunchcast/about>

### For Families:

**52 Sundays...** is a dynamic guide for families to keep the Lord's Day holy, including family prayer activities, devotions and meals. The guide is intended to augment Sunday Mass participation, but is also a great resource for families unable to attend Mass. Printed copies of the 52 Sundays guidebook are sold out, but families can sign up for email updates and download a free digital guide at <https://www.52sundays.com/> (Archdiocese of Detroit)

### For Adults of All Ages:

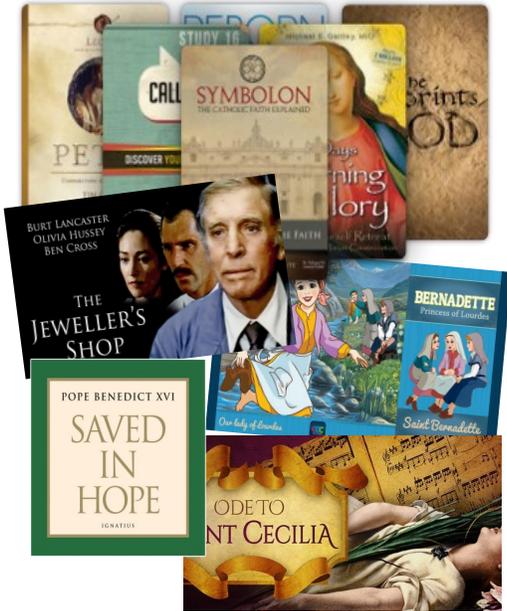
**Free Prayer and Mass Texts for March and April...** view Give Us This Day online at no charge for March and April. This resource includes brief daily Morning Prayer and Evening Prayer, inspirational lives of saints, daily Mass texts, and reflections. Go to <https://giveusthisday.org/App/Index> to read the issue online or download it to your computer.

**Nextstep...** is a fairly new Catholic discipleship guide that helps you grow in your faith. Currently, their program of steps is totally free. Each step is designed to be finished in two weeks or less. Check it out at <https://www.ecnextstep.com/>

**Magnificat...** is offering complimentary access to the online version of its prayer book at <https://us.magnificat.net/free>. Magnificat includes the daily liturgy, saint of the day, spiritual reflections and prayers.

**Praying and Reflecting on the Sunday Gospel...** has "Question of the Week" that centers on the Sunday Gospel for youth, young adults and families at [https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/questions\\_of\\_the\\_week](https://lifelongcatechesis.osv.com/questions_of_the_week)

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### **\*YOUTH STOCK \*** Invest Today! Our FUTURE and PRESENT depends on it!

Our teens are embarking on journeys (Life Teen Leadership Conference, Steubenville Youth Conference, and Hidden Lake Camps) this summer to strengthen and challenge themselves in their relationship with Jesus. This is an opportunity for you to help the young people directly in their faith experience. Sponsor a Teen by investing today and purchasing St. Ignatius Youth Stock for only \$10 a share. You can purchase as many shares as you would like. The money goes directly to offsetting the cost for the teens.

**A share holder receives a newsletter on their spiritual journey, a Shareholder certificate and prayers for your intentions by our teens at our Edge and Life Nights.**

Don't think twice. This is an opportunity to invest and influence the church not just of today, but for tomorrow. Prayerfully consider this simple way of being a part of the youth of St. Ignatius.

It's simple to get in on this life changing opportunity. **There are 3 ways to purchase stock.**

1. Fill out request form below. Place in an envelope marked "St. Ignatius Youth Stock" and place your form and payment in the collection basket.
2. Fill out request form below and bring it to the parish office (Mon.-Fri. 9:00am to 4:00pm)
3. Return to the Young person who has invited you to share in their experience.

*For questions contact Bart Kovacic at 727-251-2476 or Samantha Trapp at 727-772-3754.*

*or mail this form to: St. Ignatius Catholic Church, Attn: Bart Kovacic 715 E Orange St Tarpon Springs FL 34689*

*Please make checks Payable to St. Ignatius Catholic Church.*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Number of Shares: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Youth or "any" you would like to sponsor \_\_\_\_\_

**Please Note: At the time of printing, there is no public Mass, however, the Mass Intentions for the week will be said in the Priest's private Masses.**

<i><b>DATE</b></i>	<i><b>MASS INTENTIONS</b></i>	<i><b>EVENTS</b></i>
<b>Saturday, April 4</b>	4:00 p.m. Special Intentions of the St. Ignatius Women's Council 6:30 p.m. + Patrick Rogan	Church open for Praying 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Confessions outside the Church 3 p.m. — 4 p.m.
<b>Sunday, April 5</b> <i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i> <i>Matthew 21:1-11</i> <i>Isaiah 50:4-7</i> <i>Philippians 2:6-11</i> <i>Matthew 26:14-66</i>	7:00 a.m. + Ferdie Cuenca 9:00 a.m. For the People of Our Parish 11:30 a.m. + Phil Cara 6:00 p.m. + Helen Harman	<b>Blessed Palms available outside the Church Front Doors 9 a.m. -12 p.m.</b>  Church open for Praying 10 a.m.—4 p.m.
<b>Holy Monday, April 6</b> <i>Isiah 42:1-7</i> <i>John 12:1-11</i>	7:00 a.m. + Daniel Miller 9:00 a.m. + Bryan Lohr	Confessions outside the Church - 9:30 a.m. Adoration in the Chapel 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Confessions outside the Church - 7 p.m.
<b>Holy Tuesday, April 7</b> <i>Isaiah 49:1-6</i> <i>John 13:21-38</i>	7:00 a.m. + Deceased Members of the Schubert Family 9:00 a.m. + Paulo Tavares	Confessions outside the Church - 9:30 a.m. Adoration in the Chapel 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Confessions outside the Church - 7 p.m.
<b>Holy Wednesday, April 8</b> <i>Isaiah 50:4-9</i> <i>Matthew 26:14-25</i>	7:00 a.m. Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life 9:00 a.m. + Esther Mellor	Confessions outside the Church - 9:30 a.m. Adoration in the Chapel 10 a.m.—4 p.m. Confessions outside the Church - 7 p.m.
<b>Holy Thursday, April 9</b> <i>Mass of the Lord's Supper</i> <i>Exodus 12:1-14</i> <i>1 Corinthians 11:23-26</i> <i>John 13:1-15</i>	Live Streamed at 7 p.m. <b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>	
<b>Good Friday, April 10</b> <i>Isaiah 52:13-53:12</i> <i>Hebrews 4:14-5:9</i> <i>John 18:1-19:42</i>	Live Streamed at 3 p.m. <b>Veneration of the Cross</b>	
<b>Holy Saturday, April 11</b>	Live Streamed at 8 p.m. <b>Easter Vigil</b>	
<b>Sunday, April 12</b> <i>Easter Sunday</i> <i>Matthew 21:1-11</i> <i>Isaiah 50:4-7</i> <i>Philippians 2:6-11</i> <i>Matthew 26:14-66</i>	7:00 a.m. 9:00 a.m. <b>Have a Blessed Easter!</b> 11:30 a.m.	