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## Holy Week Passion of the Lord

March 28, 2021

Masses Sat. 4:00 pm, livestream.

Sunday, 7:30, 10:00, 11:30

Sun. 8:30 Vietnamese,

Please wear a mask, sanitize  
hands, keep social distance inside  
the church. Keep everyone safe



My life was born of your love, Lord,  
and your love sustains me...  
My heart is nurtured by your love, Lord,  
without it my soul would waste away...  
My spirit is soothed by your love, Lord,  
your grace heals the pain of all my sins..

My life is redeemed by your love, Lord,  
my soul is saved by your grace...  
I place all my trust in you, my God,  
my hope is in your saving Word...

In spending my time this day, Lord:  
give me strength to work, a place to  
pray and time to rest in your peace...

Today's the day that you've made, Lord,  
the day I'm called to live...  
When unexpected turns surprise me  
give me insight and strength to manage  
whatever tries to manage me...

In the quiet of my prayer today,  
help me review my life, Lord,  
and your love for me  
and my fidelity to your word...

In the stillness here with you, Lord,  
help me count my foolish sins  
and your healing mercy in my heart...

In return for my life, O Lord,  
in thanksgiving for all your love,  
help me know and do your will...

**Sacred Triduum and Easter**—Please join us at these sacred liturgies.

**Holy Thursday:** Morning Prayer at 8:30, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7:00, followed with Adoration until 11:00 PM.

**Good Friday:** Morning Prayer at 8:30, Passion of the Lord at 3:00 PM, Living Stations at 7:00 PM.

**Holy Saturday:** Morning Prayer at 8:30, Blessing of Food at 12:00, Vigil of the Resurrection of the Lord at 8:00 PM.

**Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord:** regular Sunday schedule: No Mass at 4:00 on Saturday. Please consider the 7:30 or 11:30 as these have low attendance. 8:30 Mass in Vietnamese, 10:00 children choir.

# Holy Week—Passion of the Lord



## Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

### Entrance: Hosanna to the Son of David (#137)

Refrain: Hosanna to the Son of David! O blest is he,  
O blest is he who comes in the name of the Lord!

Verse: Rejoice, daughter of Zion, in the One who brings  
great joy! Sing praise, children of Judah, for the Lord is  
close at hand! (to Refrain)

### Presentation of the Gifts: O Sacred Head (#153)

Verse 1: O Sacred Head, surrounded by crown of piercing  
thorn. O bleeding Head, so wounded, reviled and put to  
scorn!

Verse 2: No comeliness or beauty your wounded face be-  
trays. Yet angel hosts adore you and tremble as they gaze.

### Communion: Jesus, the Lord (#406)

Refrain: Jesus. Jesus. Let all creation bend the knee to the  
Lord.

Verse 1: In him we live, we move and have our being;  
In him the Christ, in him the king! Jesus, the Lord.  
(Refrain)

Verse 2: Though Son, he did not cling to godliness;  
but emptied himself, became a slave! Jesus, the Lord.  
(Refrain)

Verse 3: He lived obediently his father's will  
accepting his death, death on a tree! Jesus, the Lord.  
(Refrain)

### Sending Forth: Were You There (#146)

Verse 1: Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Were you there when they crucified my Lord?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, trem-  
ble. Were you there when they crucified my Lord?

Verse 2: Were you there when they nailed him to the  
tree? Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?  
Oh! Sometimes it causes me to tremble, tremble, trem-  
ble. Were you there when they nailed him to the tree?

Verse 3: Were you there when they laid him in the tomb?  
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## The Sacred Triduum of the Passion of the Lord

This is Holy Week. It is the culmination of our Forty Days of Lent. Oftentimes, the full message of the Gospel is difficult for us to accept. This is because the full message of the Gospel will always centrally point us to the sacrifice of the Cross. Sacrificial love and the full embrace of the Cross needs to be seen, understood, loved, fully embraced and confidently proclaimed. But how is this done? Let's start with our Lord Himself.

Jesus was not afraid of the truth. He knew that His suffering and death was imminent, and He was ready and willing to accept this truth without hesitation. He didn't see His Cross in a negative light. He did not see it as a tragedy to be avoided. He would not allow fear to deter Him. Instead, Jesus looked at His sufferings in the light of truth. He saw His pain and death as a glorious act of love that He was soon to offer for the transformation of our humanity. His heart was free to adhere to the Father's will and embrace these sufferings with confidence and courage.

In our own lives, we are given the invitation to imitate Jesus' courage and love every time we must face something difficult in life. When this happens, some of the most common temptations are to be angry about the difficulty, or to look for ways to avoid it, or to blame others, or to give into despair and the like. There are numerous coping mechanisms that kick in by which we tend to try and avoid the crosses that await us.

What if we followed the example of our Lord? What if we faced any and every pending cross with love, courage and a willing embrace? What if instead of looking for a way out, we looked for a way in, so to speak? That is, we looked for a way to embrace our suffering in a sacrificial way, without hesitancy, in imitation of Jesus' embrace of His cross. Every cross in life has the potential of becoming an instrument of much grace in our own lives and in the lives of others. .

Reflect, today, upon any difficulty you are facing. Do you see it in the same way that Jesus sees it? Can you see every cross you are given as an opportunity for sacrificial love? Are you able to embrace it with hope and confidence, knowing that God can bring good out of it? Seek to imitate our Lord by joyfully embracing the difficulties you face and those crosses will ultimately share in the Resurrection with our Lord.

*My suffering Lord, You freely embraced the injustice of the Cross with love and courage. You saw beyond the apparent scandal and suffering and transformed the evil done to You into the greatest act of love ever known. Give me the grace to imitate Your perfect love and to do so with the strength and confidence that You had. Jesus.*

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Sunday March 21—Parish Offering \$5,670.00  
Candles—\$296.50 / Annual Pastoral Appeal \$325.00

Total—\$6,291.50—Thank You!

Masses Attendance was 651 people

4:00 - 155; 7:30 - 86; 8:45- 152; 10:00 - 168; 11:30 - 90

Thank you sharing your time with us.

God bless your sacrifices.

Follow the Mass on Facebook live streaming on  
Saturday at 4:00 pm.

Visit [www.svdpfl.com](http://www.svdpfl.com) for online giving!

Pick up your Cards today!

Help support St. Vincent de Paul

The following gift cards are available at the Parish Office or Gift Shop for immediate purchase! This is a great way to support your Parish, while doing everyday shopping.

Amazon \$25	Subway \$10
CVS \$25	The Home Depot \$25
Lowe's \$25	Visa \$50
Starbucks \$10	Walmart/Sam's Club \$25

### Communications—Flocknote

Thank you to all who are signed up for **flocknotes**, sharing in the daily prayers and messages. If you suddenly stop receiving **flocknote** communication please let me know by sending an email to: [Laura@svdpfl.com](mailto:Laura@svdpfl.com) and I will reset your email to the group. To be sure your internet service will not block the **flocknote** messages it is best to have them added to your contacts, [Mail@flocknote.com](mailto:Mail@flocknote.com). Please reach out to others and invite them to join us on **flocknote** and check in with those you know to make sure they are still receiving this parish communication. Also the emails may be going to spam or trash until **flocknote** is safe in your contacts.

### Living Stations of the Cross

Please join the parish youth as they present the Living Stations of the Cross, by Faith Formation, on Palm Sunday at 11:30 am in Fr. Farrell Hall and on Good Friday at 7 pm in the Church. Come and see our children's beautiful tribute to Our Lords Passion and Death.

Thank you for worshipping with us.

Sanctuary Candle: Blair Fickel+ (nephew of Fr. Bill Fickel)

#### Sunday March 28, 2021

- 7:30am Sr. Marian Phillips+ (Riley family)
- 8:30am Parishioners
- 10:00am JosekuttyKurian+ (Leelamma Kurian)
- 11:30 Lawrence Fitzsimmons+ (Waldhauser family)  
Annette Mazzarini+(Mazzarini family)

#### Monday March 29, 2021

- 8:30am Helen Halliday+ (Mary & Thomas Mullen)

#### Tuesday March 30, 2021

- 8:30am Fred Palensar+ (Fred, son) & Margaret Jordan+(Joan Rosamilia)

#### Wednesday March 31, 2021

- 8:30am Mary Webb—Birthday (Ray & Margaret Flanders) & Monica Barnes+ (Gloria)

#### Thursday April 1, 2021-- Holy Thursday

- 7:00pm Mothers of the Blessed Sacrament)

#### Friday April 2, 2021

- 3:00 pm **Good Friday Service**

#### Saturday April 3, 2021 Easter Vigil

- 8:00pm Rose ScullionMclaughlin+ (Ed Nessler)

## SCRIPTURE READING

### Readings for the Week of March 28, 2021

- Sunday** Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord  
Is 50:4-7; Phil 2:6-11; Mk 14:1—15:47
- Monday** Is 42:1-7; Jn 12:1-11
- Tuesday** Is 49:1-6; Jn 13:21-38
- Wednesday** Is 50:4-9; Mt 26:14-25
- Thursday** Holy Thursday  
Ex 12:1-14; 1 Cor 11:23-26; Jn 13:1-15
- Friday** Good Friday  
Is 52:13—53:12; Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1—19:42
- Saturday** Holy Saturday  
Rom 6:3-11; Mk 16:1-7
- Sunday** Easter Sunday  
Acts 10:34-43; Col 3:1-4; Jn 20:1-9 or  
Mk 16:1-7 or Lk 24:13-35

# Holy Week—Passion of the Lord

## Our Call to Community “Make a House a Home”

St. Vincent de Paul parish shares the joyful news that we will be assisting a family, a lovely couple with an 8 year old daughter. This is our first step in collaboration with the Coalition for the homeless who plan to house 225 of our approximately 800 homeless individuals/families in Pasco County within the next 180 days. This is a challenge as affordable and available housing is not easy to find. If you see a house, mobile home or apartment with a FOR RENT sign on it send the contact information and address to Housing Locator- Kelly Miller-Funk at [rentinpasco@gmail.com](mailto:rentinpasco@gmail.com). If you have rental properties or know someone who does, please encourage them to support this effort.

We anticipate getting more families in the coming week. These individual do not have the basic necessities to make these houses a home. We have many items but are still in need of some specific things such as: Hammer and nails, foam to repair hole in wall, broom and dust pan, step ladder, cleaning supplies, rubber shelf liners, rake and gas cards. So far our families/individuals have not needed help with furniture, that may change. We will need help with picking up the furniture and moving it. Please call the office and we can make arrangements for you to drop off the items, particularly any of the items listed above as they are for specific families.

Lent is a perfect opportunity to look at the extras, or unused items in your home that would benefit these new home owners. This is a way to pull our parish together in a common project. You can help make a difference in reaching out to lend a hand in putting this together.

Please give a **call to the office at 727-938-1974**. Put your name and email or phone # on our “Helping Hands” list. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this project. If you are interested in being a liaison with one of these families or individuals, please let us know.

We appreciate all of the love and support you offer to those who are less fortunate in our community. It is a call to our Catholic Social Teaching. ***What ever you do for the least of my brothers and sisters, that you do for Me.***

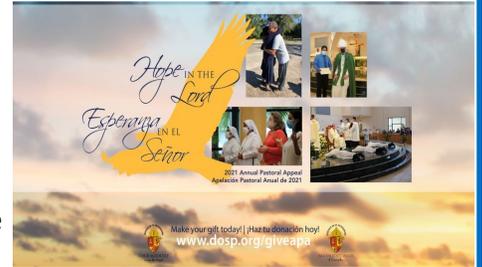
## Finance Corner

### WORD OF APPRECIATION

Your offertory gift helps to pay down our operating cost. This past week we paid bills including: Electric \$2106.75, Hospitality \$70.82, Telephone \$382.73, Internet \$289.91, Payroll \$15,993.57, Office Supplies \$263.90 and Needy \$1,563.38

We thank all who from home still send your contributions to help meet our costs and carry out our ministries . Thank you and God Bless you!

**Annual Pastoral Appeal** The Communications Office has inspired our community to be United in Christ while separated because of quarantines and social distancing during 2020. To date, Catholic Charities has provided more than \$301,000 in COVID-19 relief



funds, converted apartments to affordable homes and served over 9,000 meals at Pinellas Hope. We are a community of steadfast servants to the Gospel, coming together to grow in our faith, nurture our children with a love of God and progress toward the greater good.

Our share needed by the diocese is **\$85,661**. To reach this goal, support is needed from every family. Thus far we have received **\$50,240 in pledges and \$34,609.46 has been paid by 135 families**. It puts us to the half way mark with the hope that the many who have not yet made a pledge will do so by Easter. One dollar a day is a pledge of \$365, or a pledge of ten dollars a month is \$120. Please do not delay your pledge. Envelopes are at the church doors. Just fill it out and drop in the basket at the altar. Do your share to help others and the parish.

Thank you to those who have returned their pledge cards. Every pledge helps those in need of services within our Diocese. Thank you and God Bless you.

**Sunday - 28th**  
Stations of the Cross

**Monday—29th**  
Share the Word 10 am  
Divine Mercy 1 pm  
Divine Will 3 pm

**Tuesday - 30th**

**Wednesday—31st**

**Family Faith Formation**



**The Well Traveled Path of Suffering**

*Mark 14:1—15:47*

Much of the gospel of Mark is wrapped around the messianic secret, which was perhaps an effort on the part of Jesus to discourage people from following him for the wrong reasons: that somehow he was only a teacher, a healer, a miracle worker. But the secret is out now, stretched in agony across a cross of pain and suffering. With the crucifixion of Jesus, it is finally possible to know the messiah completely.

At the end of a desperate struggle on the part of the powers of this earth, Jesus is tried and executed on shaky legal grounds. Why would anyone want to kill a miracle worker, a healer, a teacher? Jesus posed a clear and present threat to the economic and political order. He proclaimed that the last would be first and the first last. He cast out the moneychangers from the temple. Worst of all, he did not take the religious leaders seriously.

But before the sacrifice which makes possible the new covenant, Jesus celebrates the foundation of the old covenant with his disciples. The Passover meal memorialized the hurried preparations before God's people shook off slavery and grasped freedom. Jesus takes the symbols of Passover and "baptizes" them, making food and drink the memorials of his death and resurrection, and of our escape from the slavery of sin to the freedom of grace as well.

Now follows the complete and utter failure of his worldly ministry. Those who had closest contact with him let him down. The inner circle cannot stay awake during his time of trial. It gets worse. One betrays him, one denies him, and the rest turn tail and run. Only a few of the women remain, to look on from a distance.

And, consistent with the rest of the story, an outsider recognizes Jesus for what he is -- and not just any outsider. The centurion, one of those who participated in the execution, states: "Truly this man was God's Son!" (15:39). The nations, in their sin, have recognized that Jesus is Lord. This is the true inner circle, the club we ought to desire entry into.



**Our Lady's Guild**

THANK YOU, ALL for taking a chance in the Easter Basket Raffle. Come to the living stations of the cross for the drawing on March 28 (Palm Sunday) in Fr Farrell Hall. The Basket includes Easter goodies as well as a \$50 Publix gift card.

Our Lady's Guild hopes you can join us on our April 13 meeting in Fr Farrell Hall. This is our Day of Recollection from 10:00 to 11:30 with our meeting to follow with a light lunch from 11:30 to 2:00. We welcome visitors and a membership to Our Lady's Guild is only \$5. Membership is open to all Christian women and men. Join the fun!

Looking ahead to the Card Party on Wednesday, April 21 in Fr. Farrell Hall from 11-3. The cost is \$7.00 for a delicious lunch and the fun of playing the game of your choice with friends.

Rosary Makers meet on Wednesday, April 7 from 1:00-2:30 in the Education Building. They meet the first Wednesday of every month. Rosary making is easy and fun! Over 7,000 rosaries have been sent around the world to spread the love of Jesus and his Mother Mary. The total number of rosaries made since September 2020 has totaled 3,491!

**NO NEED TO BAKE SALE**

A change of date to let you know a bit of news we have today, a delay in the "No Need to Bake Sale." Our Lady's Guild fundraisers help to improve our church, but Covid-19 put a halt to our work. Our church is made of parishioners so grand, and we are quite sure you will understand. Lent is behind us and feasting begins. So you will find in your pew an envelope on April 10/11, we simply ask you to please put the price of a pie or a cake or something nice.

Your donation, large or small, throw in the collection basket and thanks for answering the call.

Without fuss or bother you've done your part to give to our church with a willing heart. Thank you.

**Thursday—1st Holy Thursday**

SVdP Food Pantry 1pm  
Holy Thursday Mass 7 pm

**Friday - 2nd Good Friday**

Veneration of the Cross, Reception of Holy Communion 3 pm  
Friday Night Dinner 4:30 pm  
Living Stations of the Cross 7pm

**Saturday - 3rd Holy Saturday**

Chaplet of Divine Mercy 3 pm  
Easter Vigil Mass 8 pm

**Sunday - 4th Easter**

Happy Easter! He is Risen!  
Regular Mass Schedule

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Please join us for **The Knights of Columbus Friday night dinners Fr. Farrell Hall**. The Knights will have their monthly General Meeting on Monday April 19, at 7:00 pm. All the Knights are welcome and encouraged to come. Face masks will be worn and social distancing held.

**The Ladies Auxiliary** next monthly meeting is on Monday, April 19, at 7:00pm, in Father Farrell Hall. Ladies if you would like to come and see what we do and how we go about doing things with the Knights, you are more than welcome to come and join us. Face masks will be worn and social distancing will be in effect.



### Entering into Holy Week

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” - Mark 11:9



The crowds cried “Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.” That is what we hear in this Palm Sunday Gospel from St. Mark as Jesus enters Jerusalem. Only days later will the fickle crowd turn on Him and be swayed by public opinion and religious and political pressure. For the last couple of years of His ministry, the people across the landscape who knew of Jesus’ works had formed one of three opinions: They loved Him and believed in Him; they had heard of Him and knew that He drew crowds but were not ready to ‘buy in’; or third, they questioned and in fact despised Him as a blasphemer and sought some way to trap Him.

“Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Hosanna in the highest!” These words sound familiar, don’t they? We proclaim these words each time we celebrate the Eucharist when we recite or sing the Sanctus or Holy, Holy, Holy. Because of our faith, we recognize our Lord by proclaiming Him as king at every Mass. Yet, like the fickle crowd, when we leave church and return to society, we can fall back into our old, potentially sinful habits – and by doing so, fail to acknowledge Him as Lord and Savior.

This week enter into Holy Week. Make it a point to stay focused on what the meaning of this important time is. The entire week’s readings are a dramatic account of what our Lord endured over 2000 years ago. Take time to walk with our Lord, and draw closer to Him through participation in the various liturgies of this week. And if you haven’t been to church in a while, I invite you to come home this week to experience God’s great love for you.

~ **Bishop Gregory Parkes**

### JOIN our S.V.de P. Society

**Wish List This Week: We are still in need of the regular items we pass out such as cereal, soup, canned meat, peanut butter, pancake mix and syrup.**



Today is Palm Sunday and the beginning of the holiest of Christian weeks. Let us pray for the grace to take up our own cross and to follow Jesus through death to new life.

**During Lent, through your gifts, the Society of St. Vincent de Paul was able to bring the mercy of Jesus into the hearts of the poor, by assisting 785 families, providing 10,569 pounds in food, and \$9,264 for utility and rent bills.**

With a growing number at our door we are in need of both cash donations and food. Cash donations can be put in an envelope marked SVDP Society and placed in the offertory basket or dropped off at the office.

**Thank you for your support, the SVdP Society is made possible by your participation in serving this ministry.**

### Youth Ministry News! Youth Activity Gathering

We found out late that this is Spring Break for school and that our time will have to be postpone until next month. Please keep check to find the next meeting time. There are still many ways to have fun and enjoy friendships.

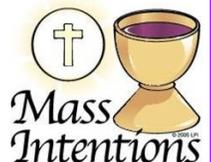


**Pray Together Play Together**

### Don’t delay another day! Place your brick order now.

We can’t wait any longer, time has run out and we must get enough orders filled to place the order of bricks for the shrine of Mary outside Fr. Farrell Hall. Bricks need to be order in a batch of 5 in the three different sizes. **Call JoAnn Corlett at 727-389-0518. Order forms are available in the church social hall.** I am still waiting for other folks to contact me with their orders so I can send the order in. Bricks are intended to mark significant people and events in our lives. Honor a person or special event of anniversary, birthday, graduation, achievement with the purchase of a brick. Do it before the end of March. Thank you.

**The Mass Intentions Book for 2022 is open for those who desire to reserve dates and times in the coming year. We have Masses open also for 2019. Come to the parish office from 9-2.**



***The Annual Celebration of Divine Mercy Sunday  
April 11, 2021 at 3:00  
Jesus, I trust in you!***

All are invited to bring your families and friends to St. Vincent de Paul Church to celebrate the gift of Divine



Mercy poured out upon the world. The presider is Rev. William Fickel, S.S.S. who will lead us in the celebration of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Caplet of Divine Mercy, Praises of Divine Mercy, Scripture readings and veneration of the Image of Divine Mercy.

Last year the churches were in lockdown due to the pandemic and the prayer was held in the privacy of our homes. The Novena for Divine Mercy begins on Good Friday, April 2nd. Observing the Triduum you are asked to begin the first three day in your home. The novena continues in church following the 8:30 Mass, Easter Monday, April 5 thru Saturday, April 10. Divine Mercy candles will be for sale for placement at the Shrine. Tee shirts are also available to make your love for this powerful image of Jesus known to others.

**Year of Saint Joseph – Humble Servant**

*Joseph knew how to love with extraordinary freedom. He never made himself the center of things but focused instead on the lives of Jesus and Mary. Happiness for Joseph was a true gift of self.* (Pope Francis, Patris Corde)



Jesus gave himself unreservedly.

Joseph loved humility because he knew Jesus loved it and wanted to see it in him. He practiced penance and mortification because he saw the Son of God looking for occasions to show his love by penance and mortification. With his keen faith Joseph saw more keenly than we. Jesus was his book and he read it well. He loved purity because he considered it a point of propriety in his service to Jesus.

Joseph practiced virtues in imitation of Christ who came on earth only to practice them. Saint Joseph never worked for himself, to be happy or perfect. From the moment the soul begins to put himself first, it becomes mercenary; it makes a little treasure of its own before offering the pittance it owes the master. Joseph did all for Jesus, happy in the thought that Jesus grew and became more prominent, in proportion as the servant diminished and hid himself. (Eymard Library, Vol 8, p27-28)

Joseph, humble servant of the child Jesus, we ask with humility and purity of heart to imitate your life of service asking nothing but the greater honor and glory of God. We pray, that through your intercession, we may do all things in the name of your Son Jesus and his mother Mary.