

#### **PALM SUNDAY**

-Fr. Ranjan D'Sa

In the liturgical year of the church, we enter the holiest week of our worship with Passion Sunday, also known as Palm Sunday. A lot of things happened during this week. Jesus was preparing himself for his impending death which will bring salvation to the whole world.

Let us go through the activities of Jesus for this whole week.

Sunday - Jesus enters Jerusalem acclaimed by the people, holding palm branches. Then He returns to Bethany.

Monday - Jesus, on His way to the temple, curses the fig-tree, preaches in the temple, and returns to Bethany.

Tuesday - The leaders of the temple have Saturday - The tomb was sealed and was bitter discussion with Jesus and on the way back to Bethany Jesus announces the destruction of Jerusalem.

Wednesday - Jesus spends the day in Bethany while Judas plots against him.

Thursday - Preparation in the morning for the Passover celebrations. In the evening Jesus celebrates the Passover with His disciples. During the meal He washes their feet, gives His in the Upper Room (without Thomas). final instructions to the disciples and after the meal, goes to Gethsemane to pray.

11:00 pm - Jesus is arrested, then taken to Annas and Caiaphas who unofficially condemn

Him to death. Later, He was given to the temple guards for the night of harassment and mockery.

Friday 6:00 am - Sanhedrin officially condemn Jesus to death.

9:00 am - Jesus is handed over to Pilate who sends Jesus to Herod. Herod returns the favour by sending him back to Pilate.

11:00 am - Jesus is scourged, crowned with thorns, and given the cross to start His journey to Calvary.

12:00 noon - Jesus is nailed to the cross and suffers for three hours.

3:00 pm – Jesus dies on the cross

5:00 – Jesus' body is kept in the tomb.

guarded.

Sunday 5:00 am - The women, Mary Magdalene, John, and Peter find the tomb empty.

Jesus appears to the women and then to Peter.

3:00 to 6:00 pm - Jesus appears to the disciples at Emmaus, and

9:00 pm - He appears to His apostles gathered

#### PARISH LITURGIES

-PALM SUNDAY -

#### Monday of Holy Week, April 14

Chrism Mass – 2:00 pm

Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King, 714 King St. W, Hamilton

#### Tuesday of Holy Week, April 15

8:30 am + Tom Kingry

#### Wednesday of Holy Week, April 16

8:30 am + Charles & Rita McAlinden

#### Thursday of Holy Week, April 17

7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

#### Friday of the Passion of the Lord, April 18

11:00 am Children's Liturgy 3:00 pm Solemn Liturgy

- THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD-

#### Holy Saturday, April 19

11:00 Blessing of the Easter Food

8:00 pm **Easter Vigil** 

Easter Sunday, April 20

8:30 am **Easter Sunday Mass** 10:15 am **Easter Sunday Mass** 12:00 pm **Easter Sunday Mass** 

# HOLY WEEK



Please pray for the health of Pope Francis!

All Catholics have a duty to pray for him, his health and his mission. He has been in hospital due to a respiratory infection and pneumonia. He seems to be recovering steadily.

#### **HOLY WEEK MASS TIMES 2025**

Holy Thursday	Thursday April 17, 2025	7:00 pm	Adoration 'in Geth- semane' following Mass until 10:00 pm
Good Friday	Friday April 18, 2025	11:00 am	Children's Service
		3:00 pm	Solemn Service
Holy Saturday	Saturday, April 19, 2025	11:00 am	Blessing of the Easter Food
Easter—The Resurrection of the Lord	Saturday April 19, 2025	8:00 pm	Easter Vigil
	Sunday, April 20, 2025	8:30 am	Easter Morning
	April 20, 2025	10:15 am	
		12:00 pm	

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Reminder: There will be no Way of the Cross on Good Friday.

#### YOUNG VINCENTIANS

An important part of our Lenten practices is almsgiving. If you have any spare change, there will be a glass jar on the sanctuary steps for anyone who would like to donate to it for Lent. The change collected will be donated to our Young Vincentians Youth Group. Thank you for your generosity!

"My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"



#### SANCTUARY LAMP

Our Sanctuary Lamp will be lit this week: In Memory of Ernest Aubut and for the Intentions of Saundie Rowatt

# PONTIFICAL COLLECTION FOR THE CHURCH IN THE HOLY LAND ON GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18, 2025

The Annual Good Friday Collection is the only yearly request asked by the Holy See of dioceses and parishes throughout the world. The collection helps the Church of the Holy Land to maintain Chirstian sites, so important for Christians everywhere, and to provide pastoral, educational, and social works among the small Christian population.

The Church and our Christian brothers and sisters count on your help to retain a faith-filled Christian presence in this land of our Lord. Please give generously during your parish's Good Friday celebrations on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025.

If you are unable to attend the service, it is possible to contribute online by going to <u>commissariat.ca/supporting-us</u> and donating via CanadaHelps or Interact e-transfer. Receipts will be issued.

On behalf of the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land, to whom the Holy See has entrusted this ministry for 700 years, I sincerely thank you for your support.

Fr. Robert Mokry, o.f.m., Commissary of the Holy Land-Canada

#### **CWL NEWS**

The 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee would like to invite all members of the CWL to attend Mass on Divine Mercy Sunday, April 27<sup>th</sup>, at 11:00 am and to Honour our Lady of Good Counsel – Patroness of the CWL.

The Mass will be followed by cake and coffee in the Auditorium, where we will be taking a group photo to be published in the 70<sup>th</sup> Anniversary booklet. Also, a short presentation will be made by the Young Vincentians.

#### **TRIVIA NIGHT 2025**

It's time to show off your trivia skills. Our Annual Parish Trivia Night is happening Saturday, April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2025. The start time is 6:15 pm in the parish centre.

Join the fun, as our Trivia Master, Marco challenges the teams gathered with a variety of new questions from a wide selection of categories. Tickets will be on sale following each Mass this weekend. Space is limited, you can join us as an individual, couple or build your own team of 8 players. The Champion Team will have all members' names engraved on our Annual Trivia Champions Trophy.

Cost to attend is \$10 and includes pizza and prizes.

## HOW DO YOU DISCERN YOUR VOTE AND WHY YOUR VOTE MATTERS

Catholic Social Teaching calls us to uphold human dignity, seek the common good, and advocate for the most vulnerable in our society. As faithful citizens, we have a moral responsibility to participate in the democratic process and elect leaders who will promote justice, peace and care for those in need. Pope Francis reminds us, "The dignity of each human person and the pursuit of the common good are concerns which ought to shape all economic policies" (Evangelii Gaudium, #203).

At this time of political and economic instability, your vote is essential to creating the Canada we need. A Canada that seeks economic, social, and environmental balance while advocating for equity, dignity, and justice. Stand up for the vulnerable and demand policies that support everyone, those in Canada and across the world.

"Christ became obedient for us to death, even death on a Cross. Therefore God exalted him, and gave him the name above every name."

HAMILTON DIOCESE PRAYER CALENDAR			
Monday, April 14	Rev. Tomy Chittinapilly		
Tuesday, April 15	Rev. Gregory Merkley		
Wednesday, April 16	Oblates of Mary Immaculate, O.M.I.		
Thursday, April 17	Holy Thursday		
Friday, April 18	Passion of the Lord		
Saturday, April 19	Holy Saturday		

#### MASS OF CHRISM



All are welcome to attend the Diocesan Mass of Chrism during which His Excellency, Bishop Crosby, will bless the Oils for the Sick and Catechumens. He will also consecrate Sacred Chrism. The Mass of Chrism will be celebrated in the Cathedral Basilica of Christ the King on Monday, April 14 at 2:00 pm. Parking is limited

and carpooling is encouraged. The Cathedral Basilica will open at 12:30 pm. The celebration will be livestreamed with links on the diocesan website and the Cathedral Basilica's website.

### ANNUAL SPRING MEMORIAL MASS AT HOLY SEPULCHRE CEMETERY

The Annual Memorial Mass at Holy Sepulchre Cemetery in Burlington will take place on Saturday, April 26 at 11:00 am. The celebrant will be Most Reverend Bishop Crosby, OMI, Bishop of Hamilton. All are welcome to attend!

#### PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY - April 13, 2025

Blessed are they who come in the Name of the Lord! Am I being called to proclaim Jesus as a priest, deacon, religious brother or sister? If God is calling you, contact Fr. Mark Morley, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Hamilton at 905-528-7988.

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