

HOLY WEEK REFLECTIONS taken from The Word Among Us

Monday, April 6

Isaiah 42:1-7

Here is my servant whom I uphold. (Isaiah 42:1)

This week accompany Jesus through his passion. As you see how he interacts with the people along his way, ask him to show you the compassion in his heart for them but also for you. Stay close enough to see how this humble and suffering servant shows the love that will lead him all the way to the cross.

“Jesus, you are God’s perfect servant. Help me to stay close to you this whole week.”

Tuesday, April 7

John 13:21-33, 36-38

Will you lay down your life for me? (John 13:38)

The first Holy Week is not just something that happened long ago. Its effects extend to the present day and on into the future—a future that only Jesus knows. And through it all, he is still with you. His love and grace are still available for you. Perhaps you’ve been away from him for a long time. Or perhaps you feel the need to walk more closely with him. Whatever your past, whatever your future, wherever you are today, Jesus is there too. So reach out to him and accept his incredible mercy.

“Lord, thank you that you never, ever give up on me. Help me to never give up on you!”

Wednesday, April 8

Matthew 26:14-25

Surely it is not I? (Matthew 26:25)

Jesus is never too preoccupied—or too offended or too hurt by your weaknesses or failures—to forgive you. He has no intention of retaliating by subjecting you to shame or rejection. Acknowledge your sin and let him welcome you back with open arms. Confess your misdeeds and let him show you new ways to think and act. He waits to shower you with his forgiveness and kindness.

“Jesus, surely it is I who have sinned against you. Forgive me and show me the way forward today.”

Thursday, April 9

Holy Thursday

John 13:1-15

Not only my feet, but my hands and head as well. (John 13:9)

On this Holy Thursday, focus on this truth: Jesus loves you so much that he is willing to wash your feet. He cares for you so deeply that he wants to tend to your every need, even to the point of feeding you with his Bread of Life and the cup of his own Blood. How loving and generous is our Savior!

“Lord, thank you for offering me a whole new life with you! Teach me how to love and serve as fully as you have done.”

Friday, April 10

Good Friday

Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9 *Let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy. (Hebrews 4:16)*

As you venerate the cross today or pray the Stations of the Cross, remember that God’s mercy is truly limitless. Never believe that the pain and suffering that Jesus endured was not enough to save you. Never think that the blood that flowed from his side was for everyone else but not for you. Never let any sin stand between you and the Lord. For by his holy cross, he has redeemed the world—and that includes you!

“Jesus, I thank you from the bottom of my heart for dying on the cross to save me.”

Saturday, April 11

The Easter Vigil

Psalms 104

Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Rest in Peace: We are tempted to rush from Good Friday to Easter. Mother Church with wisdom separates the two with Holy Saturday: a day of peace and rest; a day to quietly ponder and pray; a day to sit in silence at the tomb of Jesus. “What is happening? Today there is a great silence over the earth, a great silence and stillness, a great silence because the King sleeps; the earth was in terror and was still because God slept in the flesh and raised up those who were sleeping from the ages.” We do not need words to express our misery. We need silence to ponder the mystery. Silence is the best expression of what is deepest in us for silence alone can express what words cannot.

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April 5, 2020

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All Masses and activities/meetings are cancelled through April 30 or until further notice. Our Food Pantry is open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 10:00 am—11:30 am

Office hours are limited and open on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays from 9:00 am—12:00 pm

Websites to Visit

Diocese of Honolulu
www.catholichawaii.org

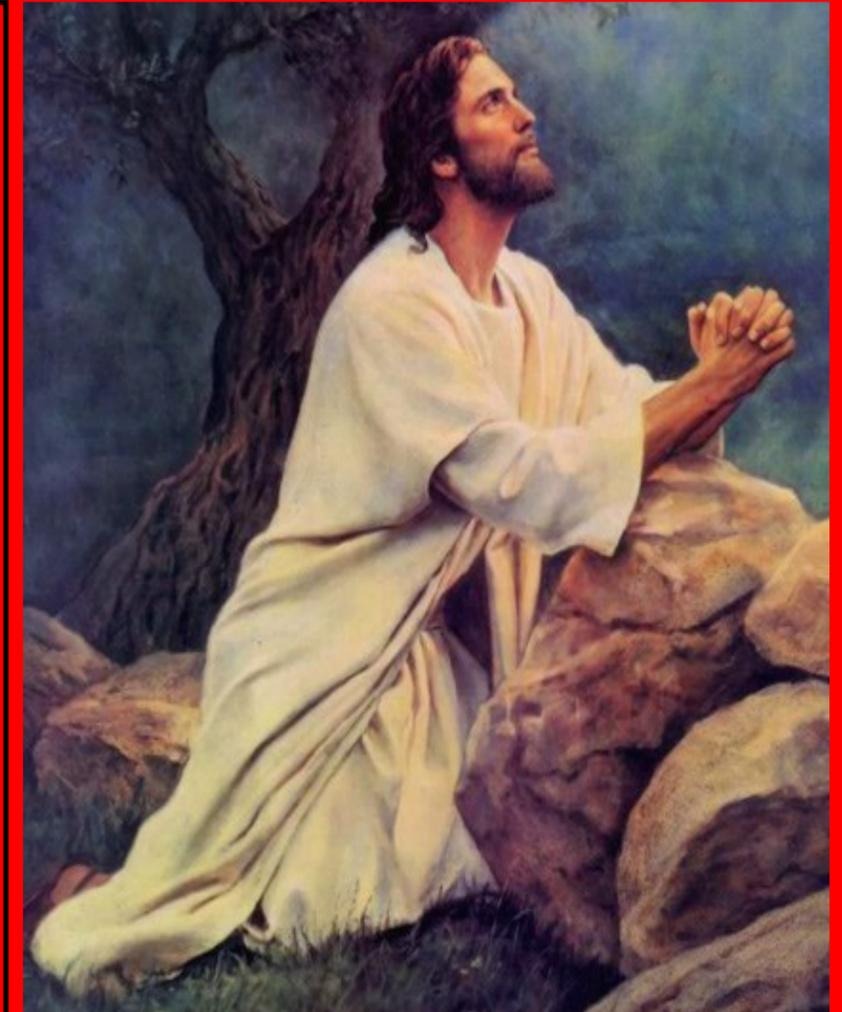
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Oahu

Mass will be celebrated without the congregation and live-streamed from the Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace in Honolulu each Sunday at 9:00 a.m. and can be accessed at:

<https://www.facebook.com/HonoluluCathedralBasilica> or
<https://hawaiicatholictv.com>

Please see page 2 for more Livestream Masses



Garden of Gethsemane

“My Father, if it is not possible that this cup pass without my drinking it, your will be done!”

Matthew 26:42



MORE Livestream Masses information during the Coronavirus Outbreak

OAHU

Cathedral Basilica of Our Lady of Peace

Sundays at 9 AM, Bishop Larry Silva presiding
Mondays to Saturdays at 8 AM
Sunday, March 29th at 9 AM (5th Sunday of Lent/3rd Scrutiny for 2 Cathedral Elects)
Wednesday, April 1st at 7 PM (Penance Prayer Service)
Thursday, April 2nd at 7 PM (Christm Mass with limited attendance)
Sunday, April 5th at 9 AM (Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord)
Thursday, April 9 at 7 PM (Holy Thursday of the Lord's Supper)
Friday, April 10 at 3 PM (Good Friday)
Saturday, April 11 at 7 PM (Easter Vigil with full celebration of the sacraments for the 2 Cathedral Elects)
Sunday, April 12 at 9 AM (Easter Mass)
Sunday, April 19 at 9 AM (2nd Sunday of Easter/Divine Mercy)
Sunday, April 26 at 9 AM (3rd Sunday of Easter)
<https://www.facebook.com/HonoluluCathedralBasilica>
or
<https://hawaiicatholictv.com/>

Sacred Heart, Punahou

Sundays at 8:00 AM
<https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartpunahou>

St. John Apostle and Evangelist

Saturdays at 5 PM
<https://www.facebook.com/saintjohnmililani/live/>

St. Joseph, Waipahu

Daily at 7 AM
<https://www.facebook.com/StJosephchurchWaipahu/>

St. John the Baptist, Kalihi

Mass in Spanish on Sundays at 8 AM
Para misa en Español, seguir este enlace. Estará disponible el domingo a las 8 AM.
<https://www.facebook.com/kalihicentral/>

The Scripture readings for Sunday, Solemnity, and Weekly Masses are available at uscgb.org/bible/readings

**Pastor's Corner
Fr. Thomas Joseph, PHD**



My dear Parishioners & Friends!

I hope you are all keeping safe. In my daily mass and prayers I am recommending you to the Lord. Please pray for me too as I fall under the high risk category. In my 39 Plus years as a priest, it is the first time I have to celebrate the Holy Week, privately without a congregation.

Although we cannot assemble for the liturgical celebrations, I would invite you to unite with me **spiritually** for the celebrations. On Palm Sunday I will be celebrating the Mass at 8:30 am. On Holy Thursday the Mass of the Lord's Supper is at 7 pm. On Saturday at 7 pm the Easter Vigil will be celebrated. These liturgies are private, without a congregation and void of all solemnity trimmings. The Bishop and many parishes will be live-streaming the liturgies and those who can, may follow them on TV. Some of the timings are given separately for your convenience.

Let me wish you a meaningful celebration of the Holy Week. The Lord is never too far away from us. Let us place our Trust in Him!

With Blessings!
Fr. Tom

Please pass the following information for those people who have no internet access:

TENTATIVE, PENDING FURTHER NOTICE

**Easter Sunday Mass:
Sunday, April 12, 12:00 noon.
Broadcast on KHNL, a Hawaii News Now station and local NBC affiliate, virtual channel 13; digital channel 35; spectrum TV: Channel 8 or 1008.**

EWTN (Eternal Word Television Network– Channel 30 for cable Customers; Channel 261 for Dish customers) broadcasts Mass daily.

PALM SUNDAY REFLECTION

HOLY WEEK

Let it Begin...

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. (Matthew 21:9)

Today we join the crowd on the road to Jerusalem. We watch as they spread their coats and palm branches before Jesus, the humble king of Israel.

And today Jesus comes, not clothed in regal robes or seated on a magnificent stallion, but riding on a lowly donkey. He enters Jerusalem and enters our hearts, not as a warrior, but as a servant king. He comes bringing peace, as a Messiah who will lay down his life for his people.

We know the answer to the question posed by the people of Jerusalem: "Who is this?" (Matthew 21:10). We know that Jesus is more than a prophet, more than a brilliant teacher, more than a miracle worker. We know that he is the Son of God and our Lord. In the words of St. Andrew of Crete, monk, bishop, and hymn writer from the seventh and eighth centuries,

Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives . . . Let us run to accompany him as he hastens toward his passion, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish . . . Let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves. (Sermon for Palm Sunday, Oratio 9)

During this holiest of weeks, let's thank Jesus for this passion and death. Let's lay down our lives like palms at this feet, in humble obedience. Let's adore him with songs of praise for this mercy.

"Blessed are you, Jesus! You have come to set us free."

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OFFERING COLLECTION RECEIVED

From March 22—29, 2020

Total Collection.....	\$	945.00
Building Fund.....	\$	615.00
Food Pantry.....	\$	5.00
Easter.....	\$	20.00
Catholic Relief.....	\$	65.00
Rice Bowl.....	\$	24.00
Holy Land.....	\$	5.00

Total Weekly Deposit... \$ 1,679.00

Please mail in your contributions or try on-line giving.

Thank You for your Support!!

Mass Intentions FOR THE WEEK

- April 4
Mason Kieshnick+
- April 5
Arthur Faye-H
- April 6
Eusebio C. Tan+
- April 7
Woo Yean Pack+
- April 8
Matilda Souki+
- April 9
Jason Jack Engichy+
- April 11
Nancy Nebel+

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER

O Jesus, really present in the Blessed Sacrament, You nourish us each day with your Body; spiritually renew in us Your Presence now, for we ardently long for You: "Come, Lord Jesus."



Readings for the Week

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Sunday, April 5
Palm Sunday of the Passion Of the Lord
Matthew 21:1-11 (procession)
Isaiah 50:4-7
Philippians 2:6-11
Matthew 26:14—27:66 or 27:11-54

Monday of Holy Week, April 6
Isaiah 42:1-7
John 12:1-11

Tuesday of Holy Week, April 7
Isaiah 49:1-6
John 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday of Holy Week, April 8
Isaiah 50:4-9
Matthew 26:14-25

Holy Thursday, April 9
Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Corinthians 11:23-26
John 13:1-15

Good Friday, April 10
Isaiah 52:13-53:12
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9
John 18:1-19:42

Holy Saturday, April 11
Genesis 1:1-2:2 or 1:1, 26-31a
Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35 or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20, 22
Genesis 22:1-18 or 22:1-2, 9a 10-13, 15-18
Ps 16:5, 8-11
Exodus 14:15- 15:1
(Ps) Ex 15:1-6, 17-18
Isaiah 54:5-14 Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13
Isaiah 55:1-11 (Ps) Isaiah 12:2-3, 4-6
Baruch 3:9-15, 32-4:4
Ps 19:8-11
Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28
Pss 42:3, 5; 43:3-4
Romans 6:3-11 Ps 118:1-2, 16ab-17, 22-23
Matthew 28:1-10

Easter Sunday, April 12
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Colossians 3:1-4 or
1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
John 20:1-9 or
Matthew 28:1-10