

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, Year A

Sunday, April 13, 2014

Procession with Palms 1) Matthew 21:1-11

Mass Readings:1) Isaiah 50:4-7 2) Philippians 2:6-11 3) Matthew 26:14–27:66 or 27:11-54

Sunday Liturgy

The focus for today's Mass is that we are to model our lives on that of Jesus.

Jesus is our mentor, and the model of how to be a servant of God and others.

He taught us that we are to love God with our whole being, and to do his will.

We are also to lay down our lives in service to others.

As we enter Holy Week, let us resolve to do these things as we take up our cross and follow Jesus.

Isaiah tells of a Suffering Servant, who trusts in the Lord to deliver him.

The Letter to the Philippians speaks about Jesus as the Servant who emptied himself of his lofty position in heaven, accepting death on a cross for our salvation.

The Gospel recounts the Passion of our Lord, Christ's ultimate act of love and sacrifice.

GENERAL INTERCESSIONS

PRIEST: With confidence, knowing that God hears and answers every prayer, let us offer to him our petitions for the needs of our world.

For our Church leaders as they continually strive to model their lives on Christ's, as servants of God and others.

We Pray to the Lord People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who face suffering because of their faith may experience peace, trusting in Christ to be their strength.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who are sick or suffering in any way to find strength and comfort in joining their difficulties with Christ's for the world's salvation.

We pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who have died, to know the splendor of everlasting life in heaven.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For those who were confirmed by Bishop Henry this past Thursday.

We Pray to the Lord People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our commemoration this Holy Week of our Lord's Passion and death to bring us to serve him with greater humility and gratitude.

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

For our own personal intentions..... (long pause)

We Pray to the Lord. People sing: Hear our prayer, hear our prayer.

PRIEST: Loving and merciful Father, hear our prayers and strengthen us to lead lives of love and service. We ask this through your Son Jesus Christ.