

PULPIT ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 28, 2021

PALM SUNDAY

Welcome to all who are here to worship with us.

Today is Palm Sunday.

Whoever you may be, or wherever you find yourself on the journey, please know that here at St. Matthias,

All Are Welcome.

- The second collection today in-person and through Parish Giving is for the Diocesan Clergy Retirement Fund. The funds are designated exclusively to support the Maria Regina residence for our retired diocesan priests here in Somerset.
- All palms will be distributed today by our Hospitality Ministers upon exiting the church and the cafeteria. Tables are set-up at church and cafeteria doors where we exit after receiving communion. If you are participating in Mass online or coming to the church for outdoor communion, you can go directly to the outdoor tables after any Mass.
- Finally, the last opportunity for Reconciliation is **tomorrow/today** beginning at 6:00 pm. The Reconciliation Service has been pre-recorded and will be available on the parish YouTube channel starting at 1:00 PM **tomorrow/today**. The pre-recorded service will also be shown at 6:30 pm in the church.

In the words of a wise priest we all know, we read in today's bulletin that because of Jesus, that there is always a Sunday. No matter how bad or dark or long any Friday can be, Sunday is coming!

The story of Jesus' joyous entrance to Jerusalem is retold in scripture today, quickly followed darkness and suffering. Rather than free himself from the cross, Jesus harnessed his power to **STAY ON the cross for us.**

How do you harness the power of vulnerability in your own life? Make that your prayer today as we begin Holy Week with this liturgy.

Music for Our Assembly
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Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel, Hosanna in the highest.

**Gathering Hymn - All Glory Laud and Honor ST.
THEODULPH**

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
You are the King of Israel, and David's royal Son,
Now in the Lord's Name coming, Our King and Blessed One.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
The company of angels are praising you on high;
And we with all creation, in chorus, make reply.

All glory, laud, and honor to you, Redeemer King!
To whom the lips of children made sweet hosannas ring.
The people of the Hebrews with palms before you went:
Our praise and prayers and anthems before you we present.

Text: 76 76 D; Theodulph of Orleans, ca. 760–821; tr. by John M. Neale, 1818–1866, alt. Music: Melchior Teschner, 1584–1635.

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20,
23-24**

My God, my God, O why have you abandoned me?

Communion Hymn - Jesus Remember Me

Jesus, remember me, when you come into your kingdom.
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Text: Luke 23:42; Taizé Community, 1981, © 1981, Les Presses de Taizé, GIA Publications, Inc., agent

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PRAYERS FOR THE MASS

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I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Responsorial Psalm
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Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

R. (2a) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**All who see me scoff at me;
they mock me with parted lips, they wag their heads:
“He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him,
let him rescue him, if he loves him.”**

**Indeed, many dogs surround me,
a pack of evildoers closes in upon me;
They have pierced my hands and my feet;
I can count all my bones.**

**They divide my garments among them,
and for my vesture they cast lots.
But you, O LORD, be not far from me;
O my help, hasten to aid me.**

**I will proclaim your name to my brethren;
in the midst of the assembly I will praise you:
“You who fear the LORD, praise him;
all you descendants of Jacob, give glory to him;
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!”**

R. My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

**Prayers of the Faithful
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Our response will be:

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 1) For Pope Francis and all Church leaders...Give them the grace and the strength to lead the Church so that we are a light of faith for the entire world, we ask...

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 2) For all governmental leaders...Inspire them to be peacemakers, to stand up for the downtrodden and unjustly accused in society, and to have the well-being of their people as their guide, we ask...

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 3) For this faith community of St Matthias...Inspire us to embrace the Gospel message with renewed faith, we ask

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 4) For all who are preparing for the sacraments of initiation...Lead them through dying and rising to New Life in Christ, we ask...

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 5) For those who are ill in body, mind or spirit, especially those on our Parish and School family sick list...Grant them healing and strength, we ask...

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 6) For all who have died, especially (12:00 Mass – Dr. Proceso Villarica), those who lost their lives in the Atlanta shooting (if you cannot pronounce the names, leave ALL names off)

Xiaojie (SHOw-jee-a) Tan

Delaina Ashley Yaun Gonzalez

Soon Chung (SOON-CHUNG) Park

Hyun (hee-YUNG) Jung (CHONG) Grant

Daoyou Feng (DOW-yo FUNG)

Paul Andre Michels

Suncha (SOON-cha) Kim

Yong Ae Yue (YUNG A YU)

and those lost in the Boudler, Colorado shooting... (if the above names are not read, DO NOT read the names below).

Denny Strong

Neven Stanisic

Rikki Olds

Tralona Bartkowiak

Suzanne Fountain

Teri Leiker

Eric Talley

Kevin Mahoney

Lynn Murray

Jody Waters

Welcome them joyfully into your presence and love, we ask...

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

- 7) For the intentions in the hearts of all those in this assembly, (LONG PAUSE)... With grateful prayers we request our deepest needs, we ask

Lord of Life, hear our prayer

Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that You
are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart. I
embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You,
and I believe your words, "Come to me all
you who labor and are heavy laden, and I
will refresh you."
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.