

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish

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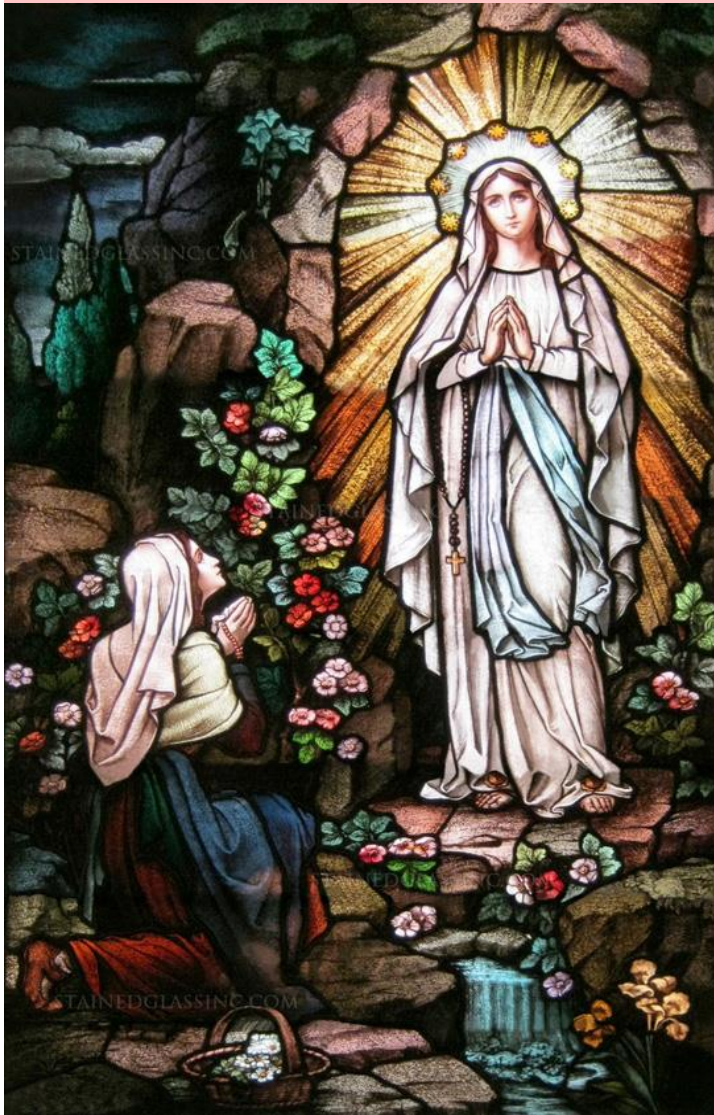
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WELCOME!

Thank you for celebrating with us today. We invite you to come and worship with us again. If you would like to be a member of our faith community, please take a moment to register. We would love to have you as our spiritual companion.



MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:00 pm Vigil Mass (Vietnamese)

SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Friday of the Month - 5:30pm Adoration
6:00pm Mass

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30pm – 4:50pm
Sunday 8:00am – 8:20am
Also by Appointment

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: Closed
Tuesday & Friday: Please Call for Appointment
Wednesday: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Thursday: 9:30am - 3:00pm
Please leave a message if no one answers and your call will be returned.

FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP:

Donation	\$1,989.00
Donation Online	\$742.00
Maintenance Fund	\$5.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Children's Donation	\$0
Total Donation	\$2,736.00

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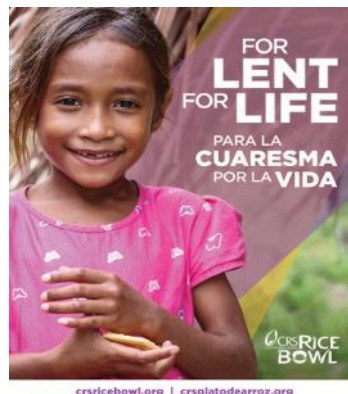
A DAILY PRAYER TO ST. JOSEPH

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

To you God entrusted his only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to you too,
show yourself a father and
guide us in the path of life.

Obtain for us grace, mercy, and courage,
and defend us from every evil.
Amen.



SERVING THE SUFFERING OF CHRIST

As we enter Holy Week and celebrate Palm Sunday, let's reflect on how our Lord suffered from our indifference: those who proclaimed him king of Jerusalem were the same who called to crucify him. We recognize we are all one human family. Are we contributing to the suffering of our sisters and brothers with our indifference to their realities? How does our faith inspire us to care for them and share the gifts that God has bestowed on us? Visit csrricebowl.org to learn more.

Sunday Readings

Palm Sunday of the Passion of The Lord

Mark 11: 1-10, 37

Mark 14: 1—15: 47



Hosanna! Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord.

Mark 11: 9

DON'T FORGET TO BRING YOUR RICE BOWL OFFERINGS (CASH OR CHECKS) ON 4/1, HOLY THURSDAY!

Which Victory Are We Celebrating?

Today we hold in our hands palm branches.
In the ancient world, palm branches were the symbol of victory.

- For the Israelites in the Old Testament, the elegance, strength, and simplicity of this tree became a symbol of the just man or woman, the one in whom God's law triumphed.

It also symbolized victory for the Romans.

- Palm trees were not native to Italy.
- And so, when the Romans started conquering other nations in the Mediterranean, the generals brought palm trees back to Rome as souvenirs of their victories.

So the crowds waving palm branches as Jesus entered Jerusalem were declaring his victory.
Today, we echo them, we join them, and we declare and celebrate Christ's victory.
But what victory is it? And how did Christ win it?
It is the victory over original sin.

- Original sin was mankind's disobedience to God and obedience to the devil.
- It shattered God's plan, let loose the scourge of evil, and gave the devil a certain power over earthly society.

Jesus, through his passion, death, and resurrection, reversed the disobedience of original sin by obeying his Father's will in spite of all the devil's attempts to thwart him:

- The betrayal of Judas, the abandonment of his apostles, the false accusations, the condemnation, the humiliation, the scourging and crowing with thorns, the torture of crucifixion - all of these sufferings were the devil's attempts to get Jesus to say "no" to his Father, just as he had gotten Adam and Eve to say "no".
- But Jesus defeated the devil. He continued to love, forgive, and obey through it all. And so he, unlike Adam, unlike every other person in history, can say, "I have not rebelled" [first reading at the Mass].

His obedience establishes a beachhead in this world that is under the devil's sway: Jesus' Passion is D-Day for the devil, and liberation for us.
This is the victory we celebrate.

Stay United to Christ

Today and throughout this week we should give thanks to God for the great things he has done, reflect on his saving love, and renew our commitment to follow him.
But above all this week, we should stay united to Christ our Savior.
This week we should each be hooked up to Christ the way people in the hospital are hooked up to an IV.

- We need his strength to come into our lives so we can have the courage to live as he wants us to live.
- We need to let all the graces he wants to give us this week flow freely into our souls and renew us, bringing a spiritual springtime into our hearts.

There are two things we can do to stay united to Christ, to stay hooked up to his grace.
First there is prayer.

- We should spend more time in prayer this week, both in quantity and in quality.
- Come and sit with Jesus here in the Tabernacle.
- Take that rosary off the rear-view mirror and use it for what it was meant for.
- Spend some time reading the Gospels and meditating on them.
- Jesus is always instructing us about how to live, how to be responsible in our life's duties, and selfless in our relationships.
- This week, let's pay special attention. Whatever he asks of us, let's say OK.

Today is Palm Sunday, Victory Day. As Christ comes among us once more, let's renew our faith in the victory he won for us, and claim it once again as our own.

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

The Lord GOD is my help,
therefore I am not disgraced;
I have set my face like flint,
knowing that I shall not be put to shame. (Is 50:7)

PSALM:

My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Ps 22)

SECOND READING:

Rather, he emptied himself,
taking the form of a slave,
coming in human likeness; (Phil 2:7)

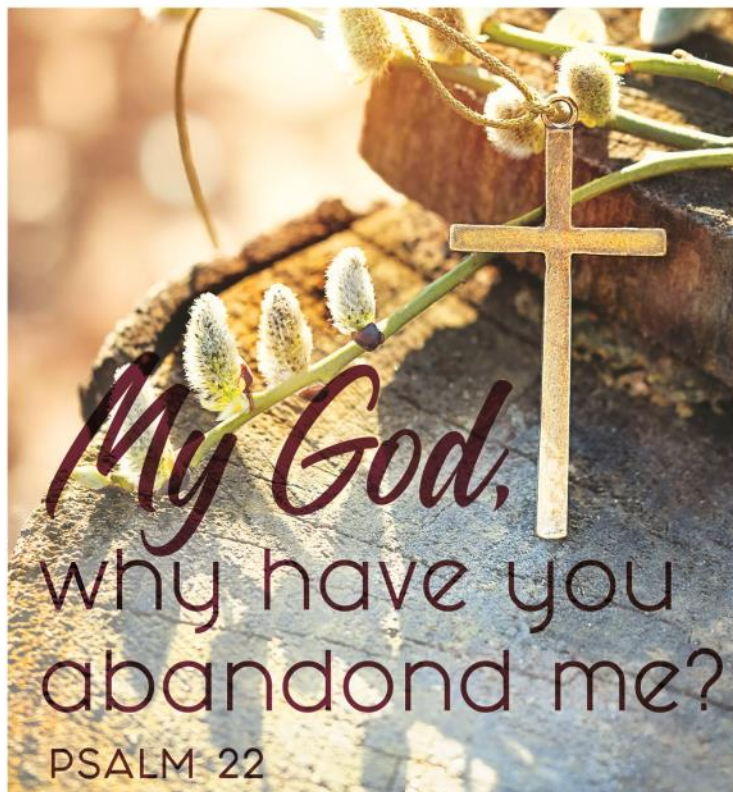
GOSPEL:

They clothed him in purple and,
weaving a crown of thorns, placed it on him.
They began to salute him with, "Hail, King of the Jews!"
and kept striking his head with a reed and spitting
upon him. (Mk 15:17-19)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF MARCH 28, 2021

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord;
Holy Week begins
Thursday: Holy Thursday; April Fools' Day
Friday: Good Friday; Day of fasting and abstinence
Saturday: Holy Saturday
Next Sunday: Easter Sunday



REFLECT

FIRST READING

The prophet Isaiah reflects on his obedience to God's call regardless of personal suffering that he endured. Isaiah found strength in his faith and fidelity to God. How does your faith help frame your suffering?

SECOND READING

Paul speaks of Jesus' humility as central to his divine identity. What does this teach us about God's nature?

GOSPEL READING

We hear today Mark's account of the Passion of our Lord. What parts of the passion narrative are you drawn to?