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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)

TUESDAY - FRIDAY

SUNDAY

8:30 am Mass (English)

10:30 am Mass (Vietnamese)

Livestream (Facebook and Youtube)

12:30 pm (Vietnamese for Youth)



EASTER SUNDAY
MASS

8:30 AM Bilingual
(English & Vietnamese)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

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

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 4:30 pm - 4:50 pm
Sunday 8:00 am - 8:20 am
Tuesday - Friday 5:30 pm - 5:50 pm

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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 (MARCH 25TH - MAR. 26TH)

Donation	\$5,053.00
Donation Online	\$1,130.00
Maintenance Fund	\$60.00
Debt Reduction	\$0
Total Donation	\$6,243.00



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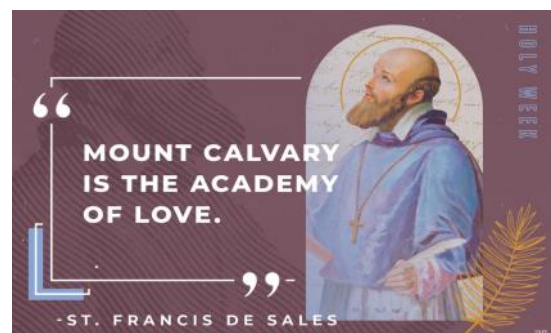


PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." - Mt 21:9

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PLEASE NOTE:

There will be **NO** 1st Friday Healing Mass at St. Thomas Parish on Good Friday, April 7, 2023

Which Victory Are We Celebrating?

Homily by Father Joseph Vu

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.

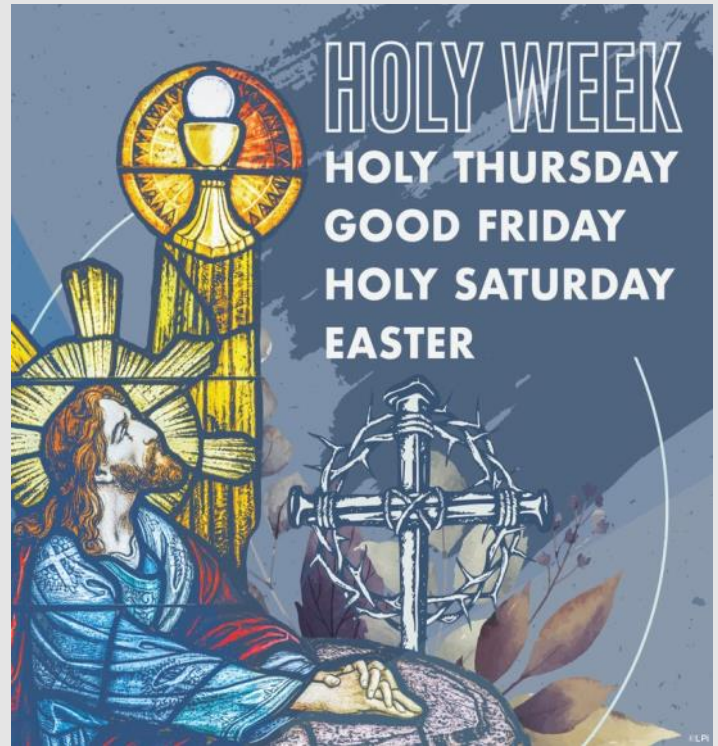
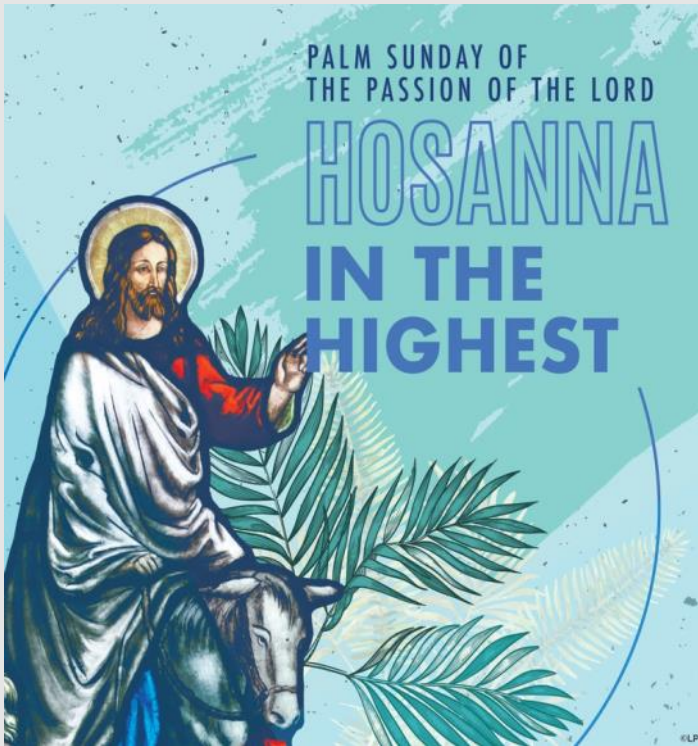
- We need his strength to come into our lives so we can have the courage to live as he wants us to live.
- We need to let all the graces he wants to give us this week flow freely into our souls and renew us, bringing a spiritual springtime into our hearts.

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.



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE FOR ST. THOMAS PARISH

4415 S 140TH ST, TUKWILA, WA 98168

PALM SUNDAY	4/1 – 5 PM Saturday Vigil Mass in English 4/2 - 8:30 AM Sunday Mass in Spanish Confession 7:30 – 8:30 AM 10:30 AM Sunday Mass in English
WEDNESDAY 4/5	Stations of the Cross in English 6:00 PM
HOLY THURSDAY 4/6	Bilingual Mass 7:00 PM (English & Spanish)
GOOD FRIDAY 4/7	Stations of the Cross: 3:00 PM Bilingual (English & Spanish) Bilingual Service 7:00 PM (English & Spanish)
EASTER VIGIL 4/8	Bilingual Mass, Saturday 8:30 PM (English & Spanish)
EASTER SUNDAY 4/9	8:30 AM Mass in Spanish 10:30 AM Mass in English