



## ***For the Ride Home..... a Gospel Reflection for families***

***What did you hear today in the Scriptures?***

**Today is the start of a very special week in the Church called HOLY WEEK.**

We remember today how Jesus enters Jerusalem and was treated like a King as people waved Palm branches honoring Him. If you have ever attended a parade, you know how exciting that can be. This is what took place for Jesus. The Gospel today is very long because it tells us what happened to Jesus those last few days of His life. It is a sad story but also a story of hope. We hear about people in this story that made bad choices like Judas and even Peter. But Jesus always forgives us when we are sorry. He never stops loving us.



**As you leave Mass today, carry Jesus in your heart.** Keep a piece of palm in your room remembering what Jesus did for all of us. As we prepare for the great feast of Easter, ask your parents to bring you to one of the Holy Week services like Holy Thursday night – the Mass of the Lord's Supper - or Good Friday when the Stations of the Cross are reenacted. These services really help us to understand how much Jesus loves us and how special this time of the year is for us as Catholics.