



# The Lord GOD is my help. therefore I am not disgraced. Isaiah 50:7a

### THE MESSAGE OF CHRIST'S LOVE

From the proclamation of the Gospel at the beginning of the liturgy, we know that today is different, not only because we hear two Gospel passages, or because we hold palms and move in procession. Today begins Holy Week, a time set apart, a week in which to listen, pray, reflect, and take to heart the truth of Christ's passion, crucifixion, death, and ultimately, resurrection. It takes a week, and a lifetime, to truly hear the message of Christ's love. It is difficult for us to comprehend that Jesus willingly sacrificed himself, so we must hear the story again and again. Let this week be for us a new moment of faith in which we, together with the criminal who was crucified with Christ, cry out, "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom." Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

#### **TODAY'S READINGS**

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Luke 19:28-40).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

**Psalm** — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

**Second Reading** — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Luke (Luke 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]).

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#### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Monday: Monday of Holy Week Tuesday: Tuesday of Holy Week Wednesday: Wednesday of Holy Week

Thursday: Holy Thursday; Paschal Triduum begins Friday of the Passion of the Lord Friday:

(Good Friday); Fast and Abstinence:

Income Tax Day; Passover begins

Saturday: Holy Saturday: Vigil of Easter **READINGS FOR THE WEEK** 

Is 42:1-7; Ps 27:1-3, 13-14; Jn 12:1-11 Monday: Is 49:1-6; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; Jn 13:21-33, 36-38 Tuesday: Wednesday:

Is 50:4-9a; Ps 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34;

Mt 26:14-25

Chrism Mass: Is 61:1-3ab, 6a, 8b-9; Thursday:

Ps 89:21-22, 25, 27; Rv 1:5-8; Lk 4:16-21 Lord's Supper: Ex 12:1-8, 11-14;

Ps 116:12-13, 15-16bc, 17-18; 1 Cor 11:23-26;

Jn 13:1-15

Is 52:13 — 53:12; Ps 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-16, 17, 25; Friday:

Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9; Jn 18:1 — 19:42

a) Gn 1:1 — 2:2 [1:1, 26-31a]; Ps 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, Saturday:

12, 13-14, 24, 35; or Ps 33:4-7, 12-13, 20-22; b) Gn 22:1-18 [1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18]; Ps 16: 5, 8-11;

c) Ex 14:15 — 15:1; Ex 15:1-6, 17-18; d) Is 54:5-14; Ps 30:2, 4-6, 11-13;

e) Is 55:1-11; Is 12:2-6;

f) Bar 3:9-15, 32 — 4:4; Ps 19:8-11;

g) Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28; Ps 42:3, 5; 43:3-4 or Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; h) Rom 6:3-11; i) Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Lk 24:1-12

Sunday: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23;

Col 3:1-4 or 1 Cor 5:6b-8; Jn 20:1-9 or Lk 24:1-12 or (at an afternoon or evening Mass) Lk 24:13-35

#### PRAYER OF THE WEEK

#### Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Savior to take flesh and submit to the Cross. graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,

God, for ever and ever.

# **Reflection question:**

## How can I heed Jesus' lesson of patient suffering?

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# LITURGIES FOR HOLY WEEK

April 10<sup>th</sup>

PALM SUNDAY 8:00 a.m. Mass

10:00 a.m. Mass

April 14th

**HOLY THURSDAY** (LORD'S SUPPER)

6:00 p.m. Mass

April 15<sup>th</sup>

GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS 5:15 p.m.
THE LORD'S PASSION 6:00 p.m.

April 16<sup>th</sup>

HOLY SATURDAY 8:00 P.M.

April 17<sup>th</sup>
EASTER SUNDAY
10:00 a.m. Mass
(ONLY)