



St Mary's Cathedral
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CATHEDRAL BULLETIN



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

2023

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL PARISH
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THE LITURGY OF THE WORD



FIRST READING *Isaiah 50:4-7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me
a disciple's tongue.
So that I may know how to reply to the wearied
he provides me with speech.
Each morning he wakes me to hear,
to listen like a disciple.
The Lord has opened my ear.
For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.
The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24*

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

All who see me deride me.
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
let him release him if this is his friend.' **R.**

Many dogs have surrounded me,
a band of the wicked beset me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
I can count every one of my bones. **R.**

They divide my clothing among them.
They cast lots for my robe.
O Lord, do not leave me alone,
my strength, make haste to help me! **R.**

I will tell of your name to my brethren
and praise you where they are assembled.
'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
Revere him, Israel's sons.' **R.**

SECOND READING *Philippians 2:6-11*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians
He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine,
yet Christ Jesus did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are,
and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.
But God raised him high
and gave him the name
which is above all other names
so that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus
and that every tongue should acclaim
Jesus Christ as Lord,
to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION *Philippians 2:8-9*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death,
dying on the cross.
Therefore God raised him on high
and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

GOSPEL (Shorter Version) *Matthew 26:14*

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew

Now Jesus stood before the governor;
and the governor asked him,
"are you the King of the Jews?"
Jesus said, "You say so."
But when he was accused by the chief priests and elders,
he did not answer.
Then Pilate said to him,
"Do you not hear how many accusations they make against you?"
But he gave him no answer, not even to a single charge,
so that the governor was greatly amazed.

Now at the festival
the governor was accustomed to release a prisoner for the crowd,
anyone they wanted.
At that time they had a notorious prisoner, called Barabbas.
So after they had gathered, Pilate said to them,
"Whom do you want me to release for you,
Barabbas or Jesus who is called the Messiah?"
For he realized that it was out of jealousy
that they had handed him over.

While he was sitting on the judgment seat,
his wife sent word to him,
"Have nothing to do with that innocent man,
for today I have suffered a great deal
because of a dream about him."

Now the chief priests and the elders
persuaded the crowd to ask for Barabbas
and to have Jesus killed.

The governor again said to them,
"Which of the two do you want me to release for you?"

And they said, "Barabbas."
Pilate said to them,
"Then what should I do with Jesus who is called the Messiah?"
All of them said, "Let him be crucified!"
Then he asked, "Why, what evil has he done?"
But they shouted all the more,
"Let him be crucified"

So when Pilate saw that he could do nothing,
but rather that a riot was beginning,
he took some water and washed his hands before the crowd, saying,
"I am innocent of this man's blood;
see to it yourselves."
So he released Barabbas for them;
and after flogging Jesus,
he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers of the governor
took Jesus into the governor's headquarters,
and they gathered the whole cohort around him.

They stripped him and put a scarlet robe on him,
and after twisting some thorns into a crown,
they put it on his head.
They put a reed in his right hand and knelt before him
and mocked him, saying,
"Hail, King of the Jews!"
They spat on him,
and took the reed and struck him on the head.
After mocking him, they stripped him of the robe
and put his own clothes on him.
Then they led him away to crucify him.

As they went out,
they came upon a man from Cyrene named Simon;
they compelled this man to carry his cross.
And when they came to a place called Golgotha
(which means Place of a Skull),
they offered him wine to drink, mixed with gall;
but when he tasted it, he would not drink it.

And when they had crucified him,
they divided his clothes among themselves by casting lots;
then they sat down there and kept watch over him.

Over his head they put the charge against him, which read,
"This is Jesus, the King of the Jews."
Then two bandits were crucified with him,
one on his right and one on his left.

Those who passed by derided him,
shaking their heads and saying,
"You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days,
save yourself!
If you are the Son of God, come down from the cross."

In the same way the chief priests also,
along with the scribes and elders,
were mocking him, saying,
"He saved others; he cannot save himself.
He is the King of Israel;
let him come down from the cross now,
and we will believe in him.
He trusts in God;
let God deliver him now, if he wants to;
for he said, 'I am God's Son.'"
The bandits who were crucified with him
also taunted him in the same way.

From noon on, darkness came over the whole land
until three in the afternoon.
And about three o'clock Jesus cried with a loud voice,
"Eli, Eli, lema sabachthani?"
that is, "My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?"
When some of the bystanders heard it, they said,
"This man is calling for Elijah."
At once one of them ran and got a sponge,
filled it with sour wine, put it on a stick,
and gave it to him to drink.
But the others said,
"Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to save him."
Then Jesus cried again with a loud voice
and breathed his last.

All may kneel for a period of silence.

At that moment the curtain of the temple was torn in two,
from top to bottom.
The earth shook, and the rocks were split.
The tombs also were opened,
and many bodies of the saints who had fallen asleep were raised.
After his resurrection they came out of the tombs
and entered the holy city and appeared to many.
Now when the centurion and those with him,
who were keeping watch over Jesus,
saw the earthquake and what took place,
they were terrified and said,
"Truly this man was God's Son!"

UPCOMING LITURGIES AND EVENTS

April 2023

			1 <i>Saturday</i>	2 <i>Sunday</i> * Today's 12.15pm Latin Mass to be held in the Crypt 2pm Sunday Public Tour 	3 <i>Monday</i>	4 <i>Tuesday</i>
			HOLY WEEK			
5 <i>Wednesday</i> <div style="border: 1px solid purple; padding: 2px; width: fit-content;"> HOLY WEEK </div> 6:30pm RCIA <i>(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</i>	6 MAUNDY THURSDAY  Mass Times 10.30am Chrism Mass 6.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper 9.00pm Compline	7 GOOD FRIDAY Mass Times 10.00am Stations of the Cross 3.00pm Passion of the Lord 	8 HOLY SATURDAY Mass Times 10.00am Tenebrae 6.30pm Easter Vigil 	9 EASTER SUNDAY Mass Times 7.00am 9.00am 10.30am 5pm Vespers & Benediction 6.00pm * Today's 12.15pm Latin Mass to be held in the Crypt * No Sunday Public Tour Today 	10 EASTER MONDAY Public Holiday Mass 9am	11 <i>Tuesday</i> <i>Resume normal Liturgy Schedule</i>
12 <i>Wednesday</i> 6:30pm RCIA <i>(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</i>	13 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	14 <i>Friday</i>	15 <i>Saturday</i>	16 <i>Sunday</i> Divine Mercy 2pm Sunday Public Tour 	17 <i>Monday</i>	18 <i>Tuesday</i>
19 <i>Wednesday</i> 6:30pm RCIA <i>(Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)</i>	20 <i>Thursday</i> 6:30pm CITY COMPASS 	21 <i>Friday</i>	22 <i>Saturday</i>	23 <i>Sunday</i> Today's 10.30am Mass Paschal Eucharist 2pm Sunday Public Tour 	24 <i>Monday</i> Today's 5.30pm Mass ANZAC Eve Vigil	25 <i>Tuesday</i> ANZAC DAY Public Holiday Mass 9am 

Weekly Mass Schedule

MASS
 Monday to Friday: 6:45am, 1:10pm, 5:30pm
 Saturday: 9:00am, 12:00 noon
 Saturday Vigil: 6:00pm
 Sunday: 7:00am, 9:00am, 10:30am (Solemn Choral Mass), 6:00pm

RECONCILIATION
 Monday to Friday: 12noon to 1:00pm and 4:30pm to 5:25pm
 Saturday: 11.00am to 12noon and 4:30pm to 5:30pm

EVENING VESPERS
 Monday to Friday: 5:00pm
 Saturday: 5:30pm
 Sunday: 5:00pm
(Choral Vespers and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament)



EASTER

AT

ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

*"I invite you to join us as we
commemorate the saving
Passion, Death and Resurrection
of Jesus Christ, celebrated in the
sacred Liturgies of Holy Week".*

Fr Don Richardson,
DEAN OF ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

PALM SUNDAY / 2 APRIL, 2023

7.00am: Mass
9.00am: Mass
10.30am: Procession & Solemn Mass
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers and Benediction
6.00pm: Mass

MAUNDY THURSDAY / 6 APRIL, 2023

10.30am: Chrim Mass
6.30pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper
9.00pm: Compline The Office of Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY / 7 APRIL, 2023

10.00am: Stations of the Cross
3.00pm: Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

HOLY SATURDAY / 8 APRIL, 2023

10.00am: Tenebrae The Office of Readings
6.30pm: Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY / 9 APRIL, 2023

7.00am: Mass
9.00am: Mass
10.30am: Solemn Mass
5.00pm: Solemn Vespers and Benediction
6.00pm: Mass