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HOLY WEEK DAILY MASSES BEFORE THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Tuesday at 8.30am and Wednesday at 9.00am

EASTER TRIDUUM

THE MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

Thursday March 28 at 7.00pm

Followed by an opportunity to sit quietly for an hour before the Altar of repose

GOOD FRIDAY March 29

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 10.00 AM

THE PASSION OF THE LORD 3.00 PM

HOLY SATURDAY March 30

THE EASTER VIGIL: THE SERVICE OF LIGHT 6.00PM

EASTER SUNDAY March 31

7.30am OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL, CHIDLOW

9.30am SACRED HEART MUNDARING

THOSE ADULTS WISHING TO BECOME CATHOLIC

THIS WEEK'S RCIA CLASS WILL BE ON **WEDNESDAY EVENING AT 7.00PM**. THIS CHANGE COMES AS THE CHRISM MASS IS CELEBRATED AT ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL ON TUESDAY EVENING.

NEWS, HAPPENINGS & CELEBRATIONS

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

From Sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year. This three-day period is referred to as the *Easter Triduum*, also known as the *Sacred Triduum*, or *Paschal Triduum*. The word 'triduum' comes from the Latin word triduum, which comes from *tris* (three) = *dies* (day). Basically, the Sacred Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth, the events of his Passion and Resurrection, when the lamb of God laid down his life in atonement for our sins.

The evening Mass on **Holy Thursday** is referred to as *The Mass of the Lord's Supper*. This is where the Church relives the institution of the Eucharist and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at the Last Supper, as well as the institution of the priesthood, which took place the evening before Jesus was crucified...and the humble manner of leadership in the washing of the feet.

Good Friday is a mandatory day of fasting and abstinence. This is the day of the crucifixion, the day Jesus died for the sins of the world. The parish altar looks very different on Good Friday: It is plain and bare. There is no consecrated Host in the tabernacle at the main altar of the church; it is carried away on Holy Thursday evening to the *altar of repose* to signify Jesus' death. The candle by the tabernacle is blown out, and the tabernacle doors are left open to show that it is empty. This is quite dramatic, reminding us that Good Friday is a solemn day of mourning and prayer.

On **Holy Saturday** Christ is in the tomb. **There is no morning Mass**. Christ's work on Holy Saturday is also known as the '**Harrowing of Hell**'.

You will have to wait until next week to find out what happens next...

INVITATION FROM THE ARCHBISHOP

I invite you to attend the Chrism Mass which I will concelebrate with the Priests of the Archdiocese of Perth at St Mary's Cathedral on Tuesday 26 March at 7.00pm

During this Mass the Holy Oils will be blessed and the Oil of Chrism consecrated.

The Priests will also renew their Ordination commitment.

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - Year B

FIRST READING Isa 50: 4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

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 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 21: 8-9, 17-20, R. v. 2

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

1. 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 of this is his friend. **R.**
2. 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.**
3. 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.**
4. 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 Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

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 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Phil 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!

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - Year B

GOSPEL Mk 11:1-10

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

When they drew near to Jerusalem, to Bethphage and Bethany at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two of his disciples and said to them, 'Go into the village opposite you and immediately as you enter it you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever sat; untie it and bring it. If anyone says to you, "Why are you doing this?" say, "The Lord has need of it and will send it back here immediately". And they went away and found a colt tied at the door out in the open street; and they untied it. And those who stood there said to them, "What are you doing, untying the colt?" And they told them what Jesus had said and they let them go. And they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their garments on it and he sat upon it. And many spread their garments on the road and others spread leafy branches which they had cut from the fields. And those who went before and those who followed cried out; 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessed is the kingdom of our father David that is coming! Hosanna in the highest!'

■The Gospel of the Lord.

