



### HOLY THURSDAY

By St. John Chrysostom, Homilies on the Second Letter to Timothy, 4, 4

The offering made is the same, whoever the offered may be: whether Peter or Paul, it is the same offering that Christ gave to his disciples and that priests present to his followers today. This offering, which is made by priests today, is not in any way inferior to the offering Christ made at that time. This is because it is not the priest who consecrates it, but Christ himself who consecrated the first offering. Indeed, just as

the words God spoke are the same ones that the priest says today, so the offering is the same; and our Baptism today is the same as Christ's Baptism. In other words, everything comes back in the context of faith. Thus, it is the Body of Christ that we give now, just as it was the Body of Christ that he gave to his disciples then; and those who think that what we now give is inferior in any way to what Christ gave demonstrate that they have not understood how it is still Christ who is present and acting today.

#### BISHOP'S APPEAL 2021 UPDATE

**Our parish goal is \$5,850.71.**

**Pledged to date \$1,300.00**

**Balance..... \$4,550.71**

3 households have responded: Andrew & Ophelia Gaydos, John Phillips and Lusyana Sandoval. THANK YOU. Please give what you can to help our Eparchy. For on-line use your browser, type [ephx.org](http://ephx.org), on Home page, choose Giving, then choose Donate.

#### HOLY ROSARY PRAYER VIGIL AGAINST ABORTION

Please join our Holy Rosary prayer vigil against abortion, every 2nd Saturday of each month at the Pomona abortion mill, located at 1550 N. Garey Ave., Pomona, from 9 to 10 a.m.. We will pray the 15 decades of the Holy Rosary and it takes about an hour. There is plenty of neighborhood city parking. Rafael is the contact person for this Parish ministry and you can contact him at 909-680-5082 or at [rafaelmarie@gmail.com](mailto:rafaelmarie@gmail.com)

If you have not done enough for the Great Fast, you may want to attend the Holy Services, make a good Confession and Invite your friends and relatives to our Holy Services.



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Palm Sunday

Tone 2

March 28, 2021

**IN THE LITURGICAL HYMNS OF PALM SUNDAY**, also known as Flowery Sunday, we sing of the children of Jerusalem, who greeted Christ as King even though the Pharisees and scribes refused to accept Him: "O, evil and adulterous generation, why have you treated your Lord so faithlessly? ... Why have you rejected the prophet's words which proclaim him? Your own children sang to your shame today: 'Hosanna to the son of David! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!'" Just as the people greeted Christ with branches from trees, so Christians also greet Christ with "palms of virtue" as he enters upon his voluntary Passion. Those who have not acquired virtues and have rejected Christ are compared to the barren fig tree: "The rod of Aaron, though dried up and withered, was changed into a green branch that put forth leaves; but the lawless assembly was changed into an unfruitful fig tree."

**WHEN WILL WE RETURN TO CHURCH** for Holy Services? Our church could only safely accommodate 20 souls with the windows and doors open and everyone wearing a mask. We are most fortunate that we have a large hall that could serve up to 45 souls. We should have no problem fulfilling our Sunday Worship. If you are sick—stay home.

**EASTER LILLIES** (or make a donation for flowers) for the Tomb of our Lord we are asking that each family bring a potted Easter Lilly in remembrance of your deceased loved ones. Leave the flowers on the table in the parish hall.

**HELP MAKE OUR PARISH WELCOMING** please help set up for the Coffee & Doughnut Social which will take place right after the Liturgy. We

need volunteers who will help every week. Your Free Will Donations are welcomed to cover the cost.

**CONFESSIONS** are heard one half hour before all Holy Services and also after the Holy Services as needed. Confessions are NOT heard on Easter Sunday.

## **HOLY SERVICES FOR GREAT AND HOLY WEEK**

*Our Lord to the Apostles after the Last Supper in the place called Gethsemani, "So you could not stay awake with me for even an hour?" Matthew 26: 40 This week is the center of our faith—Make it a point to attend all the Holy Services. Be sure to dress up for the Easter Celebration.*

**ALL THE HOLY WEEK SERVICES FROM ANNUNCIATION ARE LIVE STREAMED ON**

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### **27 LAZARUS SATURDAY**

*Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom .....9:00 am  
Our Service Men & Women by MacKenzie*

### **HEBREW SCRIPTURES**

**Genesis 49: 1-2, 8-12, Zephaniah 3: 14-19 & Zechariah 9: 9-15**

### **28 PALM SUNDAY** Tone 8. p. 161 & 225

*Before the liturgy blessing of the Palms & Branches on the Patio,  
Procession with the Branches and the Liturgy of St. John  
Chrysostom.....10:00 am  
For our parish members and friends*

**HOLY MONDAY 29 No Holy Service**

**HOLY TUESDAY 30 No Holy Service**

### **HOLY WEDNESDAY 31**

*Presanctified Liturgy and Holy Anointing of the Sick.....7:00 pm  
Scott Preiss*

*The general anointing of the sick may be done for all baptized Christian's present at the liturgy. The first blessing of oil is done at the end of the litany of peace, and the second after the Litany of Fervent Supplication. The prayer*

*of anointing is said first for all, then each person is anointed on the forehead, cheeks and palm of hand with the prayer: "the servant of God is anointed for the healing of soul and body for the forgiveness of sins and life everlasting."*

**HOLY THURSDAY 1** *The Institution of the Holy Eucharist  
Vesper/Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.....7:00 pm  
Special Intention*

**GOOD FRIDAY 2** *Relive the Passion and Death of our Lord through the reading of the Passion Gospels.*

**Matins with the Reading of the 12 Passion Gospels .....12 NOON**  
*Come and join the faithful in carrying the Holy Shroud of our Lord to the Tomb.*

**Great Vespers with the Candlelight Procession.....7:00 pm**

**HOLY SATURDAY 3** *We mourn and lament as our Lord lays in the tomb.*

**Jerusalem Matins.....9:30 am**

**PASCHA SUNDAY 4 —THE FEAST OF THE RESURRECTION  
OF OUR LORD AND GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST**

**Resurrection Matins and Divine Liturgy of St John**

**Chrysostom.....9:00 am**  
*Blessing of the Paschal Foods will take place after the Holy Services. You are invited to stay and open your baskets for breakfast. Your foods should not require heating. Be sure to bring your own linens, silverware and dishes. Be sure to prepare a Special Easter Basket (filled with goodies and toys) for each of your children for the blessing of Children and the Paschal Foods.*

**SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS** We join with the Saints in heaven to prayer for those in need. Request Prayers: [abcc72069@gmail.com](mailto:abcc72069@gmail.com) Special Intention, Paul Bruckler, Gloria Brissette, Paul Basay, Margaret Geluso, Edward Lopez, Lupe Nevaré, Beatriz Perez. Thank you Lord for hearing us and sending the snow and rain this week.

### **OUR TITHING AND GIFTS TO THE LORD'S HOLY TEMPLE**

Our Stewardship for March 21

24 Souls in Attendance

Tithes: \$410.00

**We depend on you** to support our parish. We also need your time and talents to grow as disciples of the Lord and to form a Parish Family for you and your family. Thank you for mailing your tithes to the parish office.