

Young Apprentices

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CATECHUMENATE SESSION: PERSEVERANCE

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord • Year B • March 24, 2024

**Christ Jesus,
today we join the crowd
and cry out:**

**“Hosanna!
Blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest!”**

**We praise you.
We exalt you.
We honor you as Lord.**

Amen.



Sunday Word

**Mark 11:1-10 or John 12:12-16
(Procession with Palms)**

Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalms 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24

Philippians 2:6-11

Mark 14:1-15:47

The above readings are available at
usccb.org/bible/readings.

To Help You Remember



1. The same crowds that cried out “Hosanna!” as Jesus entered Jerusalem are those that will soon cry out, “Crucify him! Crucify him!”
2. Just before Jesus’ arrest, when in the Garden of Gethsemane, he asked his closest disciples to pray with him.
3. The suffering and Death of Jesus has a purpose. Jesus saved us. He is the Savior of the world.

Key Teachings



Jesus Perseveres

Even though Jesus knows that the crowds will soon turn their backs on him, he perseveres in his mission to save us.

Jesus Invites

When Jesus invited his disciples to watch and to pray with him, he was encouraging them to persevere as he himself persevered for the good.

Jesus Encourages

By his own example of perseverance, Jesus encourages us to remain steadfast in faith, to persevere whether we experience blessings or trials, sorrows or joys.

Faith Words



obey

To obey means to choose to follow the guidance of someone who is helping us live according to God's Laws.



perseverance

Perseverance is a virtue that helps us hold to our faith, even through trying events and circumstances.

Catholic Practices



On Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, we often march in procession with the priest and carry palm branches. We do this to re-create and remember Jesus' entry into Jerusalem.

With My Family



We Listen

Every year on Palm Sunday, we hear proclamation of the Passion of our Lord. The Passion is the story of Jesus' suffering and Death. This year, we hear the story from the Gospel of Mark, and other years, we hear the story from the other Gospels. On Good Friday, we will hear the story again, and then on Easter, we will hear the Resurrection story. These are the most important stories of our faith. Listen well!

We Believe

Palm Sunday is the start of the holiest week of the Church year. That is why we call it Holy Week. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday of Holy Week is called the Sacred Triduum. Triduum means "three days." On Holy Thursday evening, we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper. On Good Friday, we again recall the Passion of the Lord. Holy Saturday evening is the celebration of the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night, when we await Christ's Resurrection and celebrate the Sacraments of Initiation.

We Live As Disciples

Those who are preparing for the celebration of the sacraments at the Easter Vigil spend Holy Saturday in prayer, reflection, and fasting.

We Pray

During Mass on Palm Sunday, palm branches are blessed and carried in procession to recall Jesus' glorious entry into Jerusalem. Many people take their palms home and display them. Leave the palms on the kitchen table this week. Touch them often and say, "Thank you, Jesus, our Savior."