

Getting Ready for Sunday!



Palm Sunday



The Gospel passage in this Power Point is the account of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday. This account will be read at the blessing of the palms on this Sunday – usually at the beginning of the vigil Mass.

The Passion of Christ from Mark 14:15-47 will be read at the time of the Gospel. This is not illustrated in the Power Point as the text speaks vividly for itself without further aid.

The Passion of Christ will also be read on Good Friday from the Gospel of John 18:1-19:42.

Palm Sunday is the beginning of Holy Week.

This is a time of celebration, despair, pain, passion, struggle, confusion, challenge and great hope.

We accompany Jesus as He:

Enters Jerusalem to face great suffering while those who will abandon Him hail Him as King on this day.

Gathers his closest friends together for the celebration of the Passover Meal becoming the new lamb of sacrifice at the Last Supper: the on-going celebration in which we join when we take part in the Eucharist.

Suffers the awful events of Good Friday – including betrayal by His own friends.

Forgives those who have caused His suffering.

Dies so that He may rise – making that same resurrection available to us at the end of our lives.

The Liturgical colour for Palm Sunday is RED – this represents the red of the blood which Jesus shed for us.



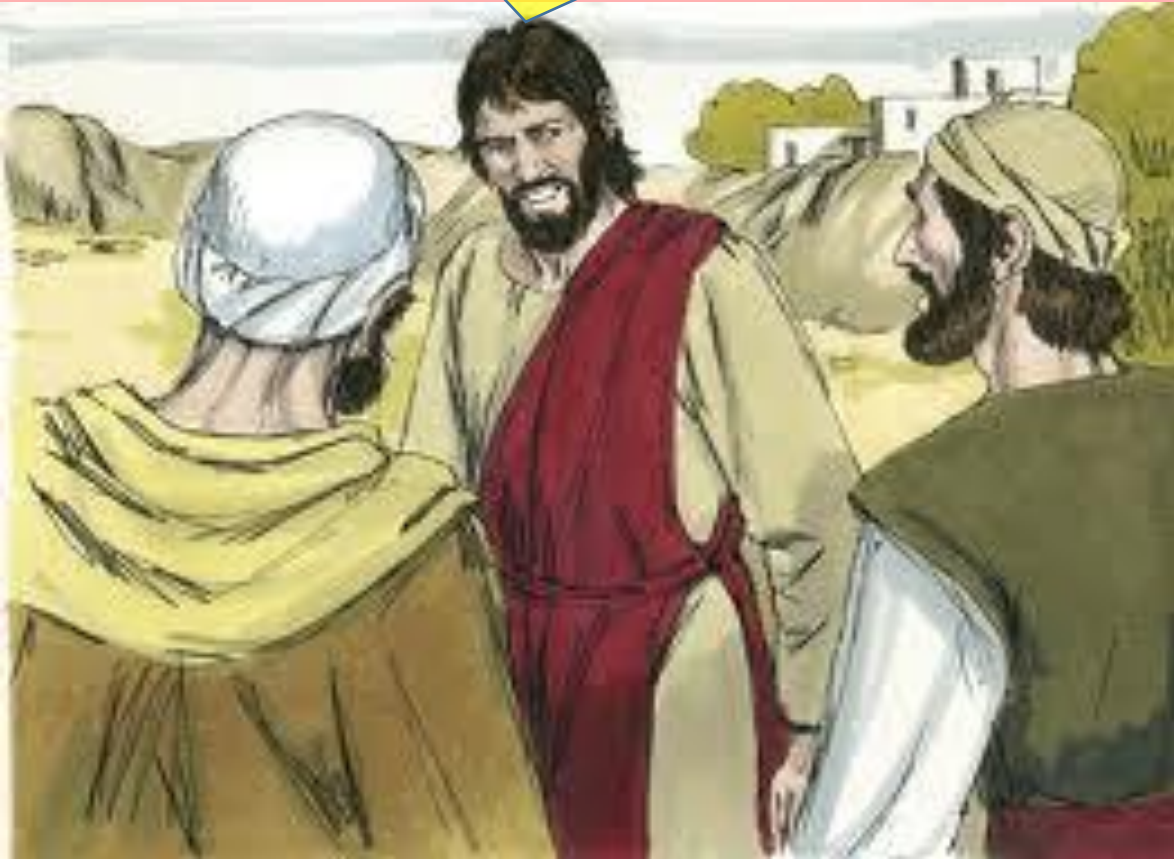
Mark 11:1-10



Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem

When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them:

Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, "The Lord needs them."



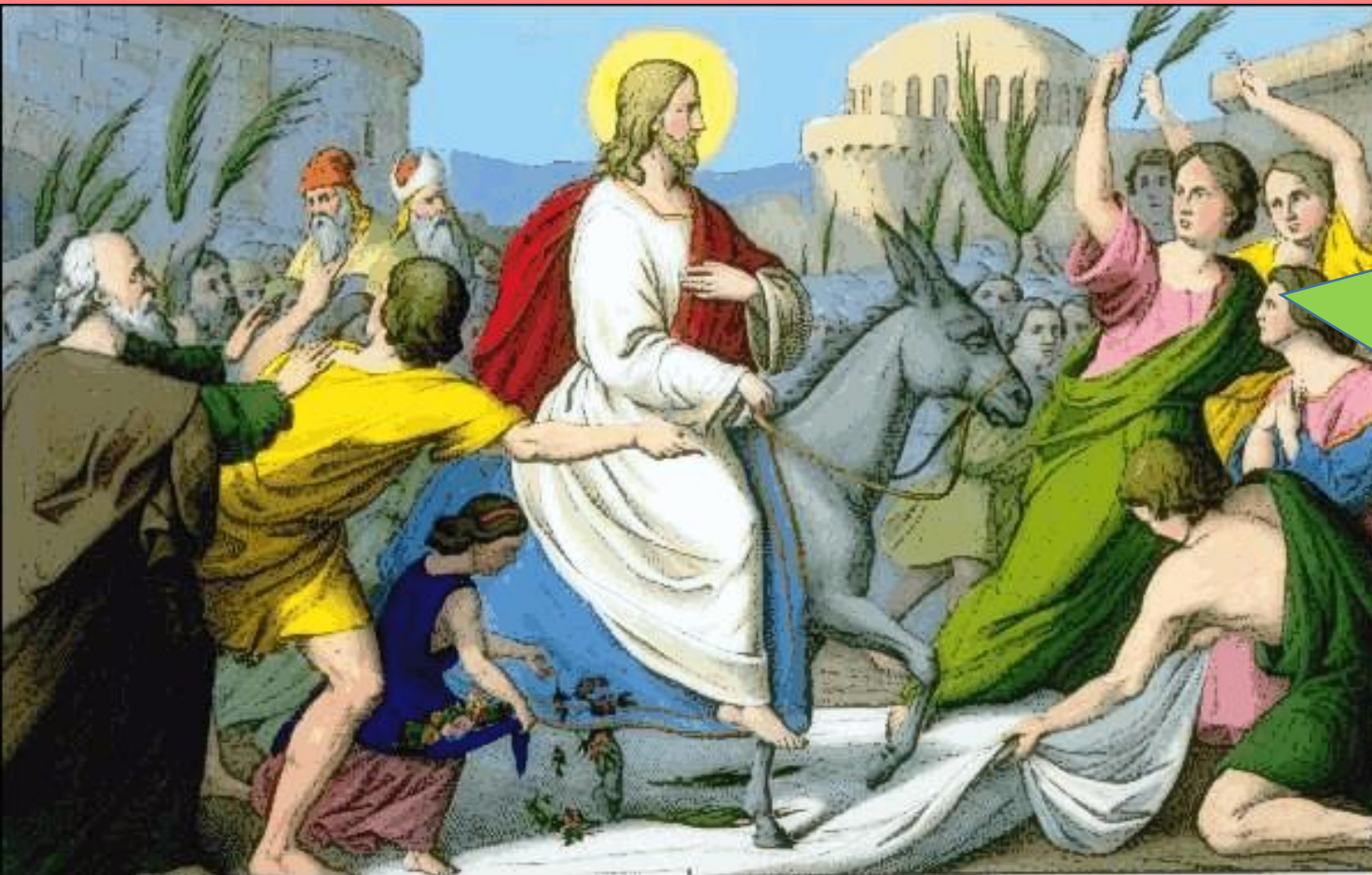
' They went away and found a colt tied near a door, outside in the street. As they were untying it, some of the bystanders said to them, '*What are you doing, untying the colt?*'



They told them what Jesus had said; and they allowed them to take it. Then they brought the colt to Jesus and threw their cloaks on it; and he sat on it. Many people spread their cloaks on the road, and others spread leafy branches that they had cut in the fields.



Then those who went ahead and those who followed were shouting,



***'Hosanna!
Blessed is the
one who comes
in the name of
the Lord!***

***Blessed is the coming kingdom
of our ancestor David!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!'***



Bible Search

Read **Mark 1:15-47** in your family Bible-this is the Gospel reading at Mass this Sunday.



Consider



Jesus is at one with us in our joys and our suffering.

Praying to Jesus



Pray for the grace to accept God's presence in your life.

