

WEEKDAY MASS SHEET

HOLY WEEK

10 – 15 April 2017

THE SCRIPTURES

“In the first half of Holy Week the readings are about the mystery of Christ’s Passion. For the Chrism Mass the readings bring out both Christ’s messianic mission and its continuation in the Church by means of the sacraments.” (GIL 98)

OUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Candidates for the Sacraments; the Needy and Hungry of the World; Penitents and Wanderers

THE HOLY FATHER’S INTENTIONS

APRIL: Young People.

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.



*In Lent we do not sing or say “Alleluia”: before the Gospel there are a variety of sung acclamations, but one that may be used every day of Lent, to the tune of the simple Alleluia is:
“Praise to you, Lord! Glory to you, Christ! You are the Word of God!”*

MONDAY

Monday of Holy Week

Entrance Antiphon

Contend, O Lord, with my contenders; fight those who fight me. Take up your buckler and shield; arise in my defence, Lord, my mighty help.

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-7: *He does not cry out or shout aloud.*

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my light and my help.

Gospel Acclamation

Hail to you, our King! You alone have had compassion on our sins.

Gospel: John 12:1-11: *Leave her alone; she had to keep this scent for the day of my burial.*

Communion Antiphon

Do not hide your face from me in the day of my distress. Turn your ear towards me; on the day when I call, speedily answer me.

TUESDAY

Tuesday of Holy Week

Entrance Antiphon

Do not leave me to the will of my foes, O Lord, for false witnesses rise up against me and they breathe out violence.

First Reading: Isaiah 49:1-6: *I will make you the light of the nations so that my salvation may reach to the ends of the earth.*

Response to the Psalm

My lips will tell of your help.

Gospel Acclamation

Hail to you, our King! Obedient to the Father, you were led to your crucifixion as a meek lamb is led to the slaughter.

Gospel: John 13:21-33. 36-38: *One of you will betray me; before the cock crows, you will have disowned me three times.*

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Communion Antiphon

God did not spare his own Son, but handed him over for us all.

WEDNESDAY

Wednesday of Holy Week

Entrance Antiphon

At the name of Jesus, every knee should bend of those in heaven and on the earth and under the earth, for the Lord became obedient to death, death on a cross: therefore Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-9: *I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.*

Response to the Psalm

In your great love, O Lord, answer my prayer for your favour.

Gospel Acclamation

Hail to you, our King! Obedient to the Father, you were led to your crucifixion as a meek lamb is led to the slaughter.

Gospel Matthew 26:14-25 *The Son of Man is going to his fate, as the scriptures say he will, but alas for that man by whom he is betrayed.*

Communion Antiphon

The Son of Man did not come to be served but to serve and to give his life as a ransom for many.

THURSDAY

Maundy Thursday

This morning there are no Masses celebrated in the Parish Churches of the Diocese the antiphons and Scriptural Readings are given here for personal prayer and reflection.

Entrance Antiphon

Jesus Christ has made us into a kingdom, priests for his God and father. To him be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen.

First Reading: Isaiah 61:1-3. 6 .8-9: *The Lord has anointed me and has sent me to bring Good News to the poor, to give them the oil of gladness.*

Responsorial Psalm

I will sing for ever of your love, O Lord.

Second Reading: Apocalypse 1:5-8: *He made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father.*

Gospel Acclamation

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me; he has sent me to bring the good news to the poor.

Gospel: Luke 4:16-21 *The spirit of the Lord has been given*

to me, for he has anointed me.

Communion Antiphon

I will sing for ever of the mercies, O Lord; through all ages my mouth will proclaim your fidelity.

This evening the Paschal Triduum begins with the celebration of the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper

THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

“Christ redeemed us all and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery: dying he destroyed our death and rising he restored our life. Therefore the Easter Triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is the culmination of the entire liturgical year. Thus the solemnity of Easter has the same kind of pre-eminence in the liturgical year that Sunday has in the week. The Easter Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes with evening prayer on Easter Sunday.

FRIDAY

GOOD FRIDAY

According to the Church's ancient tradition, the sacraments are not celebrated today. Today is a day of fasting and abstinence. Holy Communion may only be given to the faithful during the celebration of the Lord's Passion, but may be brought at any hour to the sick who cannot take part in the service.

The Liturgy of the Hours It is fitting to celebrate publicly the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer today. Evening Prayer is not said by those who participate in the Celebration of the Lord's Passion.

The Celebration of the Lord's Passion The celebration of the Lord's Passion takes place in the afternoon, about three o'clock, unless pastoral reasons suggest a later hour; it should not be celebrated later than 9.00 p.m.

SATURDAY

HOLY SATURDAY

According to the Church's ancient tradition, the sacraments are not celebrated today. Today the altar is left bare and the sacrifice of the Mass is not celebrated. If possible, the Easter fast is observed. Holy Communion may only be given today as Viaticum. The celebration of marriage is forbidden.

The Liturgy of the Hours It is fitting to celebrate publicly the Office of Readings and Morning Prayer today. The liturgical colour is Purple. Night Prayer is only celebrated by those who do not participate in the Easter Vigil.

