

TRINITY NEWS

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Palm Sunday The Universal Pilgrim Enters - Luke 19:28-40

The prophet Jesus from Nazareth rides by on a beast of burden. He is dressed in a linen robe and his hair flows in the breeze. He sparkles with life, but his eyes are mirrors rippling with sadness. The crowds shout praises, and he hears words of encouragement that have come so rarely to him. The people of the land have “heard him gladly”, but the religious authorities fear him, and he is riding to his impending death. He touched many that first Day of the Palms who had no idea of who he was or what he could do for them. A week later some of them would shout “Crucify him!” But that day he was irresistible as he glanced from side to side in the procession. The “rippling...sadness” entered their hearts and rested a while, and so did the pulsing joy of God within him. It excited them in a strange way, and for a moment or two they “knew more than they knew”. Whether we have faith or not, he touches us all in some way as he passes by on his way to his unique destiny.

The universal human bears the hopes of pilgrim humanity. The beast of burden carries him, and he carries the burden of humanity, with all its dreams and stalled hopes. When I hear the words, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord” in the Eucharist, I always bow my head, not because I was taught to do so, but as an acknowledgement that the King of Glory passes by. I see him looking at me and I cannot evade that gaze. Others may see into my strengths and weaknesses, but he sees into my heart and soul. The words “heart and soul” were originally connected in the First Commandment, and we use them to speak of a total commitment of every fibre of our being.

Some of you have come to many Palm Sundays and walked often through the Holy Week of the Passion with Christ. You have seen many things on the journey. You have laughed a lot and wept as well. You have found love and lost it. You have loved the Christ and yet at times he has felt distant to your needs. Will he be there on the royal road home to God? Palm branches were thrown on his path to honour his presence and journey. All we need is for the scarred warm hand of the Master to lead us down the road to the heart of God.

Haunting, beautiful and entrancing? Of course! It is the one secure answer for us to the ultimate questions about the reason for the human pilgrimage. It gives vivid hope and a sure goal in our endless search for what lasts and what satisfies and what finally gives rest to the human heart.

Bishop Arthur Jones

Your prayers are asked in our healing ministry for Beryl Tanner, JPeter, Bonnie SyCip, Loy Solasco, Carlyn-Fern Manning, Ron Jacob, Aris Paraman, Johnny Manning Jr, Emerinciana Gatela, Merly Quiapos, Benjie Conzales, Jovel Llagas, Richard Kendall, Ema Duhaylongsod, Ted Whale, Ron & Vera Thoburn, Nikolai Gordevich, Fidelia Matthews, Diana Croyston, Suzanne Jacobson, Susan Dalmas, Augusto Natividad, Helen Irvine, Janet Johnstone, Carrie Angus, Reuben Longid, Amy Gonzales, Gloria Domingo.

SCHEDULE OF HOLY WEEK SERVICES

March 29-31, Monday-Wednesday.
Holy Eucharist in the Chapel, 7:00 p.m.

April 1, Maundy Thursday.
Holy Eucharist with Foot-Washing, 7:00 p.m.

April 2, Good Friday.
Stations of the Cross, 11:00 a.m.
Liturgy of Good Friday, 12:00 noon.

April 4, Easter Sunday.
Holy Eucharist at 7:30 & 9:30 a.m.
Easter Egg Hunt for Sunday School children after the 9:30 a.m. service

Dear Parishioners,

The CHT, ECW, in collaboration with the Church's Outreach Committee - Through its Chairperson, Ms Linda Keng., is pleased to inform of the following outreach schedules:

1. Palawan, Puerto Princesa will be on April 23 and 24.

2. Other CHT, ECW (National Board and Diocesan) outreach/projects for Summer :

2.1. Nueva Ecija, Episcopal - Palali - chapter visitation - April 29 and 30

2.2. Tagaytay - St. Barnabas, ECW Diocesan Convention with Bishop Dixie - May 7-8

Sign up sheet is posted at the Parish bulletin board for interested volunteers.

Please feel free to approach Mrs. Dalmas and Mrs Keng for any concern regarding the above announcement.

Thank you very much !!

	Pledge	Loose Plate
Last Sunday	P185,216.66	P14,670
Year-to-date	P968,683.32	P205,251.10
2010 Budget	P3,900,000	P940,000

