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*God greatly exalted [Christ] and bestowed on him the name  
which is above every name.  
— Philippians 2:9*

### **ENDURING HOPE**

Today's passage from Isaiah presents us with a common human dilemma: what do we do with our suffering? The speaker describes himself as God's faithful servant, who suffers beatings and mockery. We can't be sure who the speaker is, but we can see his extraordinary response. He chooses not to fight back, not to respond to violence with violence. He chooses to endure with hope that God, in God's own way, will deliver and vindicate him. Christians later saw this passage as a poignant description of Jesus' suffering in his passion.

We all have many experiences of tragic or undeserved suffering. We might desire to run from our pain, or to inflict suffering upon others, or to live in despair. In faith, we are invited to share in the suffering of Jesus, sharing also with all who suffer similarly. We can place our wounds in God's hands. We may live in enduring hope that Christ is indeed present and accompanies us in our pain. In God's own way, our suffering may be transformed, so to serve God's purposes.

### **ESPERANZA DURADERA**

El pasaje de hoy del profeta Isaías nos presenta con un dilema humano común, ¿qué hacemos con nuestro sufrimiento? El profeta se describe a sí mismo como un fiel siervo de Dios, que sufre golpes y burlas. Exactamente no se sabe quién escribió este texto, pero podemos apreciar su extraordinaria respuesta. Él elige no contraatacar, no responder a la violencia con violencia. Él elige sobrellevar con esperanza que Dios, a la manera de Dios, cumpla y lo justifique. Tiempo después los cristianos vieron en este pasaje una descripción del sufrimiento y pasión de Jesús.

Todos tenemos muchas experiencias de un sufrimiento trágico o inmerecido. Podemos desear echarnos a correr y alejarnos de nuestro sufrimiento, o lastimar u ocasionar sufrimiento a alguien más o vivir con desesperación. Con fe, estamos invitados a compartir el sufrimiento de Jesús, y acompañar aquellas personas que conocemos que están sufriendo. Podemos poner nuestras heridas en las manos de Dios. Podemos vivir con una esperanza persistente de que Cristo en verdad está presente y nos acompaña en nuestro dolor. A la manera de Dios, nuestro sufrimiento puede ser transformado, para que sirva para los propósitos de Dios.



**PRAYER IN A TIME OF PANDEMIC**  
**O God of compassion, your people are anxious**  
**in this time of pandemic.**  
**Send your Holy Spirit among us, to dispel our fears.**  
**We cry out to you in our confusion;**  
**comfort us in our affliction.**  
**Grant our leaders wisdom to guide us.**  
**Strengthen and sustain those who are ill,**  
**and be with those who care for them.**  
**Help us to travel this road in solidarity with our neighbors,**  
**with our eyes fixed on the salvation**  
**promised us through the death and resurrection**  
**of your Son, who is Lord forever and ever.**  
**Amen.**

## THE CROSS

*We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered.*

Dear Parishioners,

Our Bay Area Health Officers Issued an Updated Stay-at-Home Order with New Restrictions to last **Through May 3**

More time and additional restrictions needed to slow the spread and reduce future impact on local hospitals from COVID-19

Health officers in seven Bay Area jurisdictions are extending a previous stay-at home order through May 3, 2020 in order to preserve critical hospital capacity across the region.

The previous three-week order was set to expire on April 7. While the prior order has been effective in reducing the rate of transmission of the novel coronavirus (COVID-19), it is not enough. There has been a significant increase in the number of positive cases, hospitalization and deaths from COVID-19, which is beginning to strain healthcare resources.

Therefore, I ask for your patience and prayers as the Parish Office remains closed through Monday, May 4th. Our staff is doing what they can for you from their homes. You can reach out to each of us personally, by calling or emailing the office. We will be checking both communication sources daily.

*Fr. Senic*

St. Timothy Parish Office: (650) 342-2468

Fr. Senic x12  
Fr. Jorge x21  
Jeanne x16  
Trudy x10  
Maritza x23

### Please pray for:

St. Timothy Parishioners, The St. Vincent de Paul Society and Fr. Al Nambatac

For the **repose of the souls** of  
Luisa Tuipulotu (1<sup>st</sup> death anniversary)  
Olivia Hurtado +  
Pablo & Elias Alcala +  
Alex Figuerora & Fred Natividad +  
Desmond Saffings +  
Jack Tate +  
Magdalino Gomez +  
Maria & Leon Natividad +  
Flora Salazar +  
Liberado Efigeena Contreras +  
Asipau Kautai +  
Manuel Florendo +  
Corazon Rubin +  
Al Sickle +  
Theresa Johnson +

For the **Healing** of  
Kalo Laine Whight  
Doug Bones  
Rosalina & Francisco Rangel  
Mylene Bombon

For the **Birthday** of  
Stella Marie Trinidad  
Kalepi Kautai  
Rona Figuerera  
Malia Maka  
Sosefina Nemani  
Sione & Sinolava Tapeau  
Vila Havili

### TODAY'S READINGS

Gospel at the Procession with Palms — Jesus' entry into Jerusalem (Matthew 21:1-11).

First Reading — In spite of my sufferings I am not disgraced. I am not put to shame (Isaiah 50:4-7).

Psalm — My God, my God, why have you abandoned me? (Psalm 22).

Second Reading — Christ emptied himself, and God filled this emptiness with exaltation (Philippians 2:6-11).

Gospel — The account of Christ's passion according to Matthew (Matthew 26:14 — 27:66 [27:11-54])

## FIVE SIMPLE WAYS TO CELEBRATE HOLY WEEK AT HOME

Create a simple prayer space, i.e. a makeshift altar, a cross and a candle...in your home, and gather there to pray during the week.

- 1. Palm Sunday:** At your regular Mass time, read the first Palm Sunday Gospel (Mt 21:1–11) and meditate on or discuss what Jesus might be thinking as he enters Jerusalem for the last time.
- 2. Holy Thursday:** Bake bread for sharing at dinner; make a ritual of stripping the dinner table of all cloths and decorations after dinner.
- 3. Good Friday:** Pray the Stations of the Cross at 3 p.m.
- 4. Holy Saturday:** In the morning, read Psalm 64 and break your Good Friday fast solemnly with a simple meal.
- 5. Easter Sunday:** Dress up the dinner table again. Include candles and crosses, so that the candy baskets aren't the only festive items present. Sing Alleluia and read the Easter Gospel (Matthew 28:1-10) with solemnity and joy.

# Holy Week 2020

## Online Mass Schedule

**Palm Sunday—April 5, 2020**

**Mass via Livestream English 9:00 a.m. / Spanish 12:00 p.m.**

**Holy Thursday— April 9, 2020**

**Mass via Livestream Bi-Lingual 7:00pm**

**Good Friday—April 10, 2020**

**Liturgy of the Word via Livestream English 1:30pm / Spanish 6:00pm**

**Easter Vigil—April 11, 2020**

**Mass via Livestream Bi-Lingual 8:30pm**

**Easter Sunday—April 12**

**Mass via Livestream English 9:00 a.m. / Spanish 12:00 p.m.**

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SMILE TODAY!

Studies have linked laughter with a release of endorphins, which boosts your mood, along with alleviating stress and increasing immune cells and infection-fighting antibodies to improve your resistance to disease.

Humor will also be an important tool in dealing with the uncertainty of the COVID-19 pandemic...

### Pastor Al



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