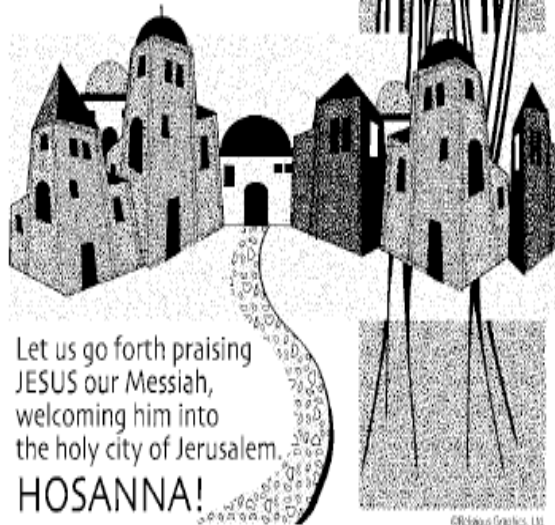


HOSANNA!  
 Blessed is he who  
 comes in the name  
 of the LORD

MARCH 24, 2013  
*Passion*  
 Sunday



Let us go forth praising  
 JESUS our Messiah,  
 welcoming him into  
 the holy city of Jerusalem.  
 HOSANNA!

We prefer happy endings, but today we are led from the joy of welcoming Jesus into Jerusalem, up to the crucifixion and burial of Jesus in the tomb.

Not pretty but pretty real. Palm Sunday marks the beginning of Holy Week, the intentional journey we take as a community to enter into not only the passion of Jesus, but to enter into our own stories of passion, betrayal by fickle friends, sorrow, agony and even death – so that we might experience resurrection.

Please do not let the secular world rob you of the graces of this week. In times past the world seemed to slow down and it was easier on a certain level to

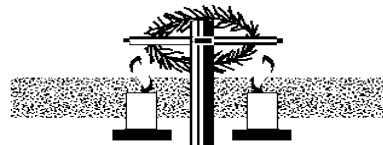
make this week holy. Now, it clearly has to be a personal commitment that each one of us makes. We have to choose to pause from our normal, busy routine and to give this week to God. We have to choose to pray, to meditate upon what Christ did for us, and to take part in the beautiful liturgies prepared for us. The moods created are as mixed as our lives. We have some days of glorious happiness, of success and joy and also sad days of contradiction and failure. Let this week speak to you and truly be a 'holy week'.

As Christ entered Jerusalem he was greeted as King and Messiah,  
 Let us adore him, and joyfully praise him:

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord !***



**Hosanna** to you, Son of David, King of the ages,  
**Hosanna** to you, victor over death  
 and the powers of darkness.  
 You went up to Jerusalem to suffer  
 and so enter into your glory,  
 lead your Church into the paschal feast of heaven.  
 You made your cross the tree of life,  
 give its fruit to those reborn in baptism.  
 Savior of mankind, you came to save sinners,  
 bring into your kingdom all who have faith, hope,  
 and love.



**The MOST HOLY DAYS of the Church's Liturgical  
 Year are UPON US !**

**WELCOME to all who are visiting the  
 FILIPINO CATHOLIC MISSION OF MONTREAL  
 at this time.**

**Be assured of our fraternal prayers for all of you !**

Please make every effort to make it on Thursday, Friday, Saturday & Sunday.

**GOOD FRIDAY IS A DAY OF FAST & ABSTINENCE**



**FASTING-** to limit yourself to one full meal during the day so as to experience hunger- applies to Catholics between the ages of 18 and 59.

**ABSTINENCE-** to abstain from meat and all meat

products- applies to all Catholics 14 and over.

# HOLY WEEK

*Services*

+ **HOLY WEDNESDAY** (March 27)

~ 7:00 p.m. ~ **CHRISM MASS** at  
The Cathedral

~ **NO MASS** at the FCMM

+ **HOLY THURSDAY** (March 28)

~ 8:00 p.m. ~ **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
followed by **A SOLEMN ADORATION OF THE**  
**BLESSED SACRAMENT until midnight.**

+ **GOOD FRIDAY** (March 29)

~ 12 noon ~ **ESTACION HENERAL**  
(Stations of the Cross)  
and **REFLECTIONS** on  
**THE 7 LAST WORDS**

~ 3:00 p.m. ~ **SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE**  
**LORD'S PASSION**

+**HOLY SATURDAY** (March 30)

~ 8:00 p.m. ~ **EASTER VIGIL MASS**

+**EASTER SUNDAY** (March 31)

~ 11: 30 a.m. ~ **SALUBONG** and

**THE MASS OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION**



**THE MASS OF CHRISM** takes place at The Mary Queen of the World Cathedral on Wednesday, March 27 at 7:00 p.m. Everyone in the diocese is invited to attend. The priests spend the day together in retreat and then are all present at the Mass. During the Mass they all renew their priestly commitment and promise to the bishop. The oils for the catechumens (used during the rite of baptism), the sick (used during the anointing of the sick), and chrism (used during the rite of Confirmation and Holy Orders) are blessed during Mass and later are distributed to representatives from all the parishes of the diocese. If you have never attended the Mass of Chrism, make a point of doing so this year. It is a celebration you would not want to miss.



### **GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES**

Your help is needed now, as in the days of Saint Francis, to protect the Holy Places of the Holy Land.

**Please be generous in preparing your Good Friday Offering.**  
**A special collection will take place during the 3: 00 pm**  
**Celebration of the Lord's Passion on March 29 - Good Friday.**



### **HELP PREPARE THE CHURCH FOR EASTER !!!**

Join with us in a special labor of love! Many volunteers are needed on **Holy Saturday morning, March 30<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 a.m** to transform the Church for the most glorious solemnity of Easter. More hands make lighter work!!!



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### **EASTER VIGIL**

**THE EASTER VIGIL** will be held at 8 p.m. on Sat. March 30 this year. Many people decide not to attend the Vigil because "it is too long." Anyone who has attended will tell you that it is about thirty minutes longer than our Sunday Mass but apart from that, it is the most beautiful liturgy in the Church. Ranking highest among the celebrations of the liturgical year, it should rank highest in the spiritual life of the faithful. Easter Vigil is the time that we welcome new members into our parish

community. The Paschal fire is lit at the back of the church and the Paschal candle is brought in procession into the church and lit during a solemn rite. The church is in darkness but becomes enveloped in the Paschal light, the light of Christ. During the Mass, the baptismal water is blessed. St. Augustine called the Easter Vigil the "**Mother of All Vigils.**" Do yourself a favor. **Do not miss it again !**

**Easter is already upon us.**

**Why not bring a friend or relative with you next week.**

**What a beautiful gift to God!**



**EASTER POT- LUCK** - JOIN US for a pot-luck fellowship celebrating Easter on Sunday, March 31<sup>st</sup> after the 11:30 a.m. Mass. Bring drinks and your favorite dessert to share. For details, contact Ms. Tess Ambayec.



- **"I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me."** - Luke 22:34  
This Holy Week let us reflect upon how often we deny that we know Jesus by the ways that we decide to use our time, our talent and our treasure.



**Your Offerings for the week ending March 17, 2013 totaled \$ 1, 718. 50**



**Thank you for your continuing generosity !  
God bless you always !!!**



- To the **new arrivals** from the Philippines;
- To the **visitors** from other places;
- To those who have **been away and are back**;



- We join in the **Thanksgiving Intentions** of: **CLEO FEDERIZO, JARED JOSEPH VISARIO.**



- Please join in lifting up the **Special Intentions** of: **MR. & MRS. MANNY LAGASCA, THE FAMILY LIFE MINISTRY.** May God grant them their heart's desires.
- Your prayers are humbly requested for all the sick and suffering members of our Mission community and their loved ones especially: **FR. ROGER BEGIN pme, SR. ELIZABETH RELACION mic, SR. LUZ PADERANGA op, ALFREDO PADERANGA SR., FE PADERANGA, ANNIE MOJADO, ELECITA ARACENA, BALDOMERA AMBAYEC, JULIA PERLAS-TAN, JOSEFINA BANGALAN, DAWN DELA PAZ, JOSIE LIMLENGCO, CARMENCITA TRIVINIO, BERNARDINO FERNANDO, IKE OSDON, TERESITA JALEA, WILFREDO DARIO, JOHN NICHOLAS MEJIA, TERESITA PLAMENCO, OLIVER MARTINEZ, PATRIA FEDERIZO, ANTONIO FOZ, NORMA FOZ, ALICIA GINES, CECILIA CEÑAL, LEONIDAS ORBITA SIMBULAN, DERRICK SOTELO.** May God bring them healing and peace.

- Remember also all of our **deceased relatives and friends**, especially **MARIA ROBLES, SANTIAGO SAMPANA, RAYMUND TUVIDA, MARIA CLARA QUIRAPAS, JUANA TADEO, SONIA PROFETA, RODOLFO CORNEJO, ROSA ARZAGA, DEXTER MAGDALUYO, CLAUDIO SAN JUAN JR. III, MATEO LOCQUIAO, ALL SOULS IN PURGATORY** and those dying everyday in battles and calamities around the world. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

**MASS INTENTIONS**

Stop by or call the FCMM office (514 – 387 5292) during normal business hours and ask how you can have a Mass offered for your intention.



The **SANCTUARY LAMP** this week is burning for the **GLORY OF GOD** and **FOR PERSONAL INTENTIONS** offered by **ARNOLD and CONNIE UNABIA.**



**Therefore, since we have been justified through faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ, through whom we have gained access by faith into this grace in which we now stand. And we rejoice in the hope of the glory of God. Not only so, but we also rejoice in our sufferings, because we know that suffering produces perseverance; perseverance, character; and character, hope.**

*And hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, whom he has given us.*

Romans 5:1-5