

SAINT FRANCIS EPISCOPAL CHURCH  
PALOS VERDES ESTATES  
CALIFORNIA

SUNDAY OF THE PASSION  
PALM SUNDAY  
MARCH 24, 8:00 AM

### Welcome to St. Francis Church

There are no flowers on the Altar during Lent, but you may still make a contribution and have your dedication in honor of a special occasion, or in memory of someone you love, in our Easter bulletins! The suggested donation is \$50. To arrange, please contact Claire in the Church Office: 310-375-4617 or [claire.erbeznik@stfrancispalosverdes.org](mailto:claire.erbeznik@stfrancispalosverdes.org)

## What's Happening!

### Easter Eggs Wanted!

Help us prepare for Easter by bringing candy or sticker filled, plastic eggs for the event! Please do not include any candy containing nuts, or peanut butter. Bring all donations into the office.

### Holy Week — March 24th - 30th

**3/26 TAIZÉ: 7pm** Join us for a service of music and healing.

**3/27 Holy Wednesday: 7pm** Tenebrae at St. Andrew's (Torrance). A contemplative evening of light & music.

**3/28 Maundy Thursday: 12pm** Foot washing at Christ Church (Redondo). **7pm** Holy Eucharist, foot washing, stripping of the altar, and the Watch at St. Cross (Hermosa).

**3/29 Good Friday: 12-3pm** Meditative service at St. Francis. Sit in the quiet of the chapel as we contemplate the last words of Christ; this is a come and go service. **7pm** Veneration of the Cross at Christ Church (Redondo).

**3/30 Holy Saturday, 8pm** the Great Easter Vigil at St Francis.

### Easter Sunday — March 31st

Celebrate Easter at the 8am & 10am service, followed by our Easter Egg Hunt immediately following the 10am service.

### TAIZÉ — April 30, 7pm

Join us for a service of music and healing.

## Prayers this Week

We pray for all those who serve in the armed and foreign services, and for their families, especially Thomas, Drew Deley, Michael Heredia, Mark Kappelmann, Joseph Leahy, TJ Malzahn, Will Piepenbring, Scott Ruston, Michael Strong, Barry Witt, Jonathan Zimmerman, and Steve.

Those who are ill, recovering from surgery, or in any other kind of need or trouble: Andrea, June Bacon, Matt Caldwell, Jean Dicus, Daniel Dreiling, Pauline Duley, Ceri Falk, Collette Furbush, Chris Goldsmith, George Ginis, Blair Hinz, Hannah, Sally Hill, Russel Knight, Loren, Mick Mohuchy, Judy Morgan, Patt Parker, Bruce Schaefer, Donna Tolbert, Roxanne Wall, Gail Winters, and for the people of the Middle East, and victims of violence everywhere.

We pray for all who have died, especially Shelly Crilly,  
that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

Thank you!

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SILENCE YOUR CELL PHONES. THANK YOU.

## 8:00 A.M. - THE HOLY EUCHARIST: RITE II

Celebrant/Preacher: ..... The Rev. Jason Shelby  
Deacon: ..... The Rev. Celeste Stump  
*Prelude: "Hornpipe Hosanna"* ..... *Handel/Taize*  
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Almighty and everliving God, in your tender love for the human race you sent your Son our Savior Jesus Christ to take upon him our nature, and to suffer death upon the cross, giving us the example of his great humility: Mercifully grant that we may walk in the way of his suffering, and also share in his resurrection; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

The First Lesson ..... Isaiah 50:4-9a

The Lord God has given me the tongue of a teacher, that I may know how to sustain the weary with a word. Morning by morning he wakens-- wakens my ear to listen as those who are taught. The Lord God has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious, I did not turn backward. I gave my back to those who struck me, and my cheeks to those who pulled out the beard; I did not hide my face from insult and spitting. The Lord God helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame; he who vindicates me is near. Who will contend with me? Let us stand up together. Who are my adversaries? Let them confront me. It is the Lord God who helps me; who will declare me guilty?

The Response: Psalm 31:9-16 ..... p. 623

The Epistle ..... Philippians 2:5-11

Let the same mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not regard equality with God as something to be exploited, but emptied himself, taking the form of a slave, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient to the point of death--even death on a cross. Therefore God also highly exalted him and gave him the name that is above every name, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The Holy Gospel ..... Mark 15:1-39

As soon as it was morning, the chief priests held a consultation with the elders and scribes and the whole council. They bound Jesus, led him away, and handed him over to Pilate. Pilate asked him, "Are you the King of the Jews?" He answered him, "You say so." Then the chief priests accused him of many things. Pilate asked him again, "Have you no answer? See how many charges they bring against you." But Jesus made no further reply, so that Pilate was amazed.

Now at the festival he used to release a prisoner for them, anyone for whom they asked. Now a man called Barabbas was in prison with the rebels who had committed murder during the insurrection. So the crowd came and began to ask Pilate to do for them according to his custom. Then he answered them, "Do you want me to release for you the King of the Jews?" For he realized that it was out of jealousy that the chief priests had handed him over. But the chief priests stirred up the crowd to have him release Barabbas for them instead. Pilate spoke to them again, "Then what do you wish me to do with the man you call the King of the Jews?" They shouted back, "Crucify him!" Pilate asked them, "Why, what evil has he done?" But they shouted all the more, "Crucify him!" So Pilate, wishing to satisfy the crowd, released Barabbas for them; and after flogging Jesus, he handed him over to be crucified.

Then the soldiers led him into the courtyard of the palace (that is, the governor’s headquarters); and they called together the whole cohort. And they clothed him in a purple cloak; and after twisting some thorns into a crown, they put it on him. And they began saluting him, “Hail, King of the Jews!” They struck his head with a reed, spat upon him, and knelt down in homage to him. After mocking him, they stripped him of the purple cloak and put his own clothes on him. Then they led him out to crucify him.

They compelled a passer-by, who was coming in from the country, to carry his cross; it was Simon of Cyrene, the father of Alexander and Rufus. Then they brought Jesus to the place called Golgotha (which means the place of a skull). And they offered him wine mixed with myrrh; but he did not take it. And they crucified him, and divided his clothes among them, casting lots to decide what each should take.

It was nine o’clock in the morning when they crucified him. The inscription of the charge against him read, “The King of the Jews.” And with him they crucified two bandits, one on his right and one on his left. Those who passed by derided him, shaking their heads and saying, “Aha! You who would destroy the temple and build it in three days, save yourself, and come down from the cross!” In the same way the chief priests, along with the scribes, were also mocking him among themselves and saying, “He saved others; he cannot save himself. Let the Messiah, the King of Israel, come down from the cross now, so that we may see and believe.” Those who were crucified with him also taunted him.

When it was noon, darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon. At three o’clock Jesus cried out with a loud voice, “Eloi, Eloi, lema sabachthani?” which means, “My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?” When some of the bystanders heard it, they said, “Listen, he is calling for Elijah.” And someone ran, filled a sponge with sour wine, put it on a stick, and gave it to him to drink, saying, “Wait, let us see whether Elijah will come to take him down.” Then Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last. And the curtain of the temple was torn in two, from top to bottom. Now when the centurion, who stood facing him, saw that in this way he breathed his last, he said, “Truly this man was God’s Son!”

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Welcome and Announcements

*Anyone who has a birthday or anniversary in the next week is invited to come forward for a blessing: Watch over your children, O Lord, as their days increase; bless and guide them wherever they may be. Strengthen them when they stand; comfort them when discouraged or sorrowful; raise them up if they fall; and in their hearts may the peace which passes all understanding abide all the days of their life; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*

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*The clergy will carry the Sacrament to anyone in the congregation who is unable to come forward for Holy Communion. Please inform one of the ushers if you would like to be served at your seat.*

*Gluten-free Communion wafers are now carried alongside regular wafers at Holy Communion.*

*If you require one of these, simply ask at the Altar rail.*

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Closing Hymn— Alone, Thou Goest Forth, O Lord..... Hymn #164, vv. 1-4

A - lone thou go - est forth, O Lord, in  
 Our sins, not thine, thou bear - est, Lord; make  
 This is earth's dark - est hour, but thou dost  
 Grant us with thee to suf - fer pain that,

3  
 sac - ri - fice to die; is this thy sor - row  
 us thy sor - row feel, till through our pi - ty  
 light and life re - store; then let all praise be  
 as we share this hour, thy cross may bring us

6  
 nought to us who pass un - heed - ing by?  
 and our shame love an - swers love's ap - peal.  
 giv - en thee who liv - est ev - er - more.  
 to thy joy and re - sur - rec - tion power.

Words: Peter Abelard (1079-1142); tr. F. Bland Tucker (1895-1984).  
 Music: "Bangor," from "A Compleat Melody or Harmony of Zion," 1734.

Postlude: "Pasticcio" ..... Jean Langlais

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