

April 5, 2020

Palm/Passion Sunday

Children Celebrate!

Liturgy of the Word with Children

Today's Readings

The Procession With Palms

Matthew 21:1-11

Mass

Isaiah 50:6-7

Psalms 22:7-8, 16c-17a, 18, 19, 22

Matthew 27:11-54



We Pray

Jesus, we welcome you into our lives and our hearts. We shout, "Hosanna" to welcome you! Amen.



The Word of God This Week

The People

Welcome Jesus

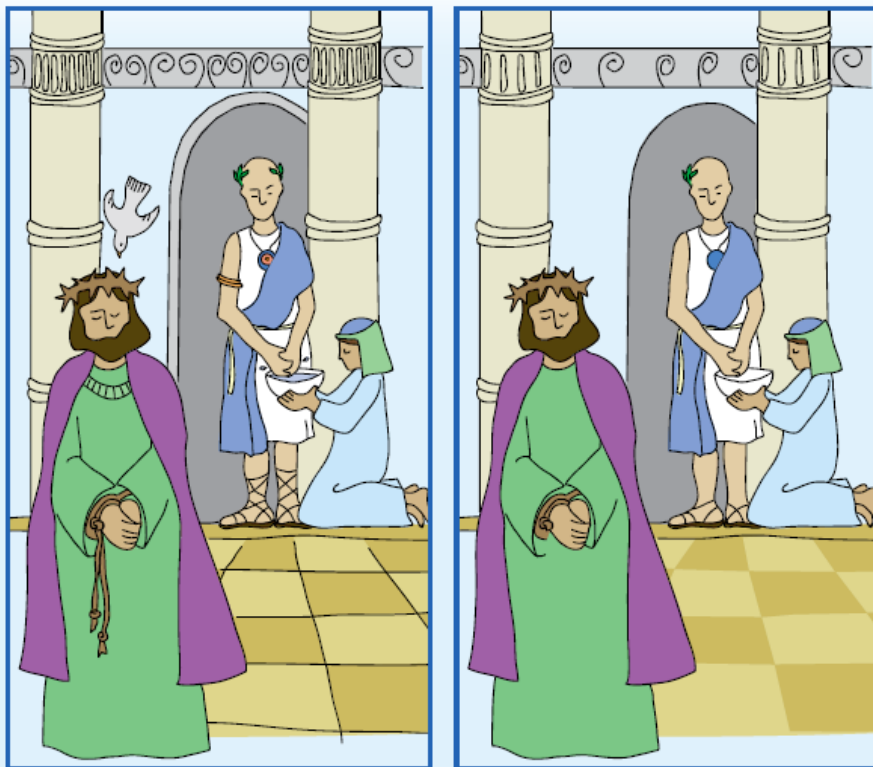
Jesus and his disciples were close to Jerusalem when Jesus said, "Go into the next village. You will find a donkey and her colt. Bring them to me."

When they got back, Jesus sat on the donkey and rode toward the city. People all along the way greeted him with joyful shouts of "Hosanna!" and made a path for him out of palm branches. Everyone was excited because the prophet from Nazareth had come.



Activity

Look at these two pictures. The one on the right is incomplete. Add the missing elements from the picture on the left so that both pictures are the same.



Jesus was sent to Pilate to decide what should be done with him. Pilate did not want to get involved. He “washed his hands” of Jesus, meaning he was not responsible for what happened to him. Think about this: Do you ever avoid taking responsibility when you really should accept it?

Family Corner

Faith Focus

Family life is full of opportunities for caring and loving one another. We are called to make sacrifices for one another. Sometimes we take the people with whom we live for granted. Sometimes children automatically feel everything will work out in their favor. Sometimes parents fail to see the uniqueness of their children. Jesus calls us to accept his great gift of love as shown in his life, Death, and Resurrection.

Family Activity

Try to make this Holy Week truly holy by spending quality time together. Create an atmosphere of harmony, peace, and solidarity with your own family and with your Church family as you participate in this week's services—Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday.

Make sure that the family gathers to decorate Easter eggs, make Easter place mats, or to participate in other family traditions.