

## PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

MARCH 24, 2024

Today we enter the most solemn and holy week of the Church year. From the shouts of Hosanna! commemorating the triumphant entry into Jerusalem, Jesus accepts the challenge of revealing the outpouring of His life. No sooner have the palms and shouts faded that we follow Jesus to the cross.

On Tuesday at the Cathedral, we gather with Bishop Christian and the priests to celebrate our priesthood. As priests, we renew our ordination promises with the faithful gathered – March 26 at 6:30pm.

On Thursday, we are reminded of our lives of service with the washing of the feet and the institution of the Eucharist. - March 28 at 7pm. Thus begins the sacred Triduum: one celebration over three days. Each celebration flows into the next one.

Good Friday March 29<sup>th</sup>, soberly we follow Jesus to the Cross (11am at St. Bridget's and 3pm at St. Alphonsus). 'Just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.' (John 3:14) Way of the Cross 6:30pm.

Holy Saturday – day of quiet, beginning with morning prayer at 9:30am.

Proclamation of Easter – (4pm. St. Anthony's)

Easter Vigil - a beautiful Alleluia! Celebration 8pm.

From Darkness to new light and life!

Blessings of peace & joy! Come Lord! Open the way!

Fr. Don