



The Litany of the Palms and the Word of the Lord

Celebrant: Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord.

People: **Peace in heaven and glory in the highest.**

Celebrant: Let us pray.

Assist us mercifully with your help, O Lord God of our salvation, that we may enter with joy upon the contemplation of those mighty acts, whereby you have given us life and immortality; through Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: **Amen.**

The Blessing of Palms or Other Branches

During this prayer and the hymn afterwards, you are asked to hold a palm or other small branch, including a "virtual" branch.

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

People: **And also with you.**

Celebrant: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

People: **It is right to give him thanks and praise.**

Celebrant: It is right to praise you, Almighty God, for the acts of love by which you have redeemed us through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord. On this day he entered the holy city of Jerusalem in triumph, and was proclaimed as King of kings by those who spread their garments and branches of palm along his way. Let these branches be for us signs of his victory, and grant that we who bear them in his name may ever hail him as our King, and follow him in the way that leads to eternal life; who lives and reigns in glory with you and the Holy Spirit, now and for ever.

People: **Amen.**

Celebrant: Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.
People: **Hosanna in the highest.**

Deacon: Let us go forth in peace.
People: **In the name of Christ. Amen.**

Hymn **All Glory Laud and Honor**

Refrain:

All glory, laud, and honor
to thee, Redeemer, King!
to whom the lips of children
made sweet hosannas ring.

1. Thou art the King of Israel,
thou David's royal Son,
who in the Lord's Name comest,
the King and Blessed One. (Refrain)

2. The company of angels
are praising thee on high;
and we with all creation
in chorus make reply. (Refrain)

3. The people of the Hebrews
with palms before thee went;
our praise and prayer and anthems
before thee we present. (Refrain)

Celebrant: Let us pray. 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.

People: **Amen.**

The Gospel

Matthew 21:1-11

Gospeller: The holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

People: **Glory to you, Lord Christ.**

When Jesus and his disciples had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, saying to them, "Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. If anyone says anything to you, just say this, 'The Lord needs them.' And he will send them immediately." This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

"Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey."

The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

"Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!"

When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, "Who is this?" The crowds were saying, "This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee."

Gospeller: The Gospel of the Lord.

People: **Praise to you, Lord Christ.**

The Sermon

The Reverend James Bernacki

Nicene Creed

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**We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.**

**We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;
he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

Litany amidst the COVID-19 outbreak

Adapted from the work of Michael Kurth

God the Father,
Have mercy on us.

God the Son,
Have mercy on us.

God the Holy Spirit,
Have mercy on us.

Holy Trinity, one God,
Have mercy on us.

Most merciful God, we come to you in this time of anxiety and uncertainty surrounding the outbreak of COVID-19. As the sorrows of our heart and mind increase, we beseech you to save us from all trouble and fear. Be our rock, a castle to keep us safe. For the Lord is our stronghold and sure defense, and he will be our Savior.

Receive all who have died, *especially NN*, into the arms of your mercy, grant them eternal peace, and surround those who mourn with your healing grace.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Help those directly infected with the virus and all who are ill, *including NN*, recover in good health and restore them in body, mind and spirit.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Keep those at high risk of infection healthy and free from all sickness.
Lord, hear our prayer.

May those in quarantine, those shut-in, and those who are infirm find peace. Lord, keep them in good health, and renew their mind and spirit.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Protect doctors, nurses, medical staff, and their families as they minister to the sick, relieve their stress, and provide the resources and space to meet the needs of their patients.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Guard first responders from all harm, and grant them strength and courage as they respond to calls for help.
Lord, hear our prayer.

Preserve the health of those who must report to work as their community shuts down, bestow the resources to best care for themselves and their families, and assure them in times of financial and medical anxiety.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Have mercy on those experiencing financial loss, alleviate their fears, and provide for them daily bread.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Help the leaders of this nation and the world make sound and safe decisions to best secure the future of our planet.

Lord, hear our prayer.

As schools close, feed those who will go hungry without guaranteed meals and shelter all students who have no place to live.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Inspire scientists and those working to find a cure with your truth, and help them discover and disseminate a vaccine and cure.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Protect journalists from harm in their reporting, move them to be a vector of truth in times of uncertainty.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Embolden this church and all places of worship to be beacons of hope and love. Help us to gather however and wherever we can to give you praise.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Support the leaders of our church as they minister to your flock; fortify them to be faithful pastors, to persevere in prayer, and to build up the family of God in new and creative ways.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Spare young people from fear and keep them a joyful sign of your love and light.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Build up the strength and fortitude of parents, and give them the words and witness to be wise counselors and compassionate caregivers.

Lord, hear our prayer.

As the waves toss our boat, create calm, remind us that with you all things are possible and we have nothing to fear, for with you all things are possible. Even the wind and sea obey you.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Stir up in us a spirit of compassion and tenacity for the time ahead.

Lord, hear our prayer.

Ease our fear and anxiety, that we may share our resources, and extend a helping hand to those in need.

Lord, hear our prayer.

All this we ask through your Son Jesus Christ our Lord, healer of the sick, ruler of the tempestuous sea, and Savior of the world.

Amen.

Celebrant: Almighty God, whose most dear Son went not up to joy but first he suffered pain, and entered not into glory before he was crucified: Mercifully grant that we, walking in the way of the cross, may find it none other than the way of life and peace; through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

The Lord's Prayer

Celebrant: And now, as our Savior Christ has taught us, we are bold to say,

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Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy Name,

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done,

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread.

And forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those

who trespass against us.

And lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

For thine is the kingdom,

and the power, and the glory,

for ever and ever. Amen.

Solemn Prayer

Celebrant: Almighty God, we pray you graciously to behold this your family, for whom our Lord Jesus Christ was willing to be betrayed, and given into the hands of sinners, and to suffer death upon the cross; who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Prayers for the Parish

Prayers have been requested for: Ashley, Avery, Barrington, Bob, Carole, Celeste, Chuck, Gillian, Robin, Simone, Steve, Sophia, Winslow

We also offer special prayers for protection and strength for those working in healthcare. We pray for their beloved families and the difficult decisions that have to be made as they navigate the tensions of dangerous work and home concerns.

Grapevine | News from the Parish

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Wendy Franklin, dear friend of Anna Robinson, who entered into the Resurrection on Tuesday, March 31.

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Jean Birch, aunt of Julia Davison, who entered into the Resurrection on Monday, March 23.

We offer condolences and prayers to the family and friends of Louise Bystricky, mother of Kathy Oxx, who entered into the Resurrection on Thursday, March 26.

We offer thanks for the provision of Emily Badgett for such a time as this. Emily will be serving on a very part-time basis helping All Saints' with Children and Youth before she begins her Clinical Pastoral Education (CPE) program this summer.

Giving

Thank you for your faithful giving. Maintaining your pledge is critical to the financial health of the congregation. Over 80% of All Saints' 2020 monthly budget represents fixed expenses that must be paid, even though we are not meeting in person. Please continue! We continue to trust in the Lord and faithfully look to Him for guidance and protection in these uncertain times.

Today is the first Sunday of the month. Giving outside of pledge will go to the Assistance Fund, which allows us to respond to financial needs during this critical time.

You can mail your check, use the "bill pay" function of your mobile banking, give online by [clicking here](#), or use text giving (To give to the General Fund, text SAINTS to 73256. To give to the Assistance Fund, text SAINTS ASSISTANCE to 73256. To give to the Memorial Fund, text SAINTS MEMORIAL to 73256. To give the Capital Campaign, text SAINTS CAPITAL CAMPAIGN to 73256).