

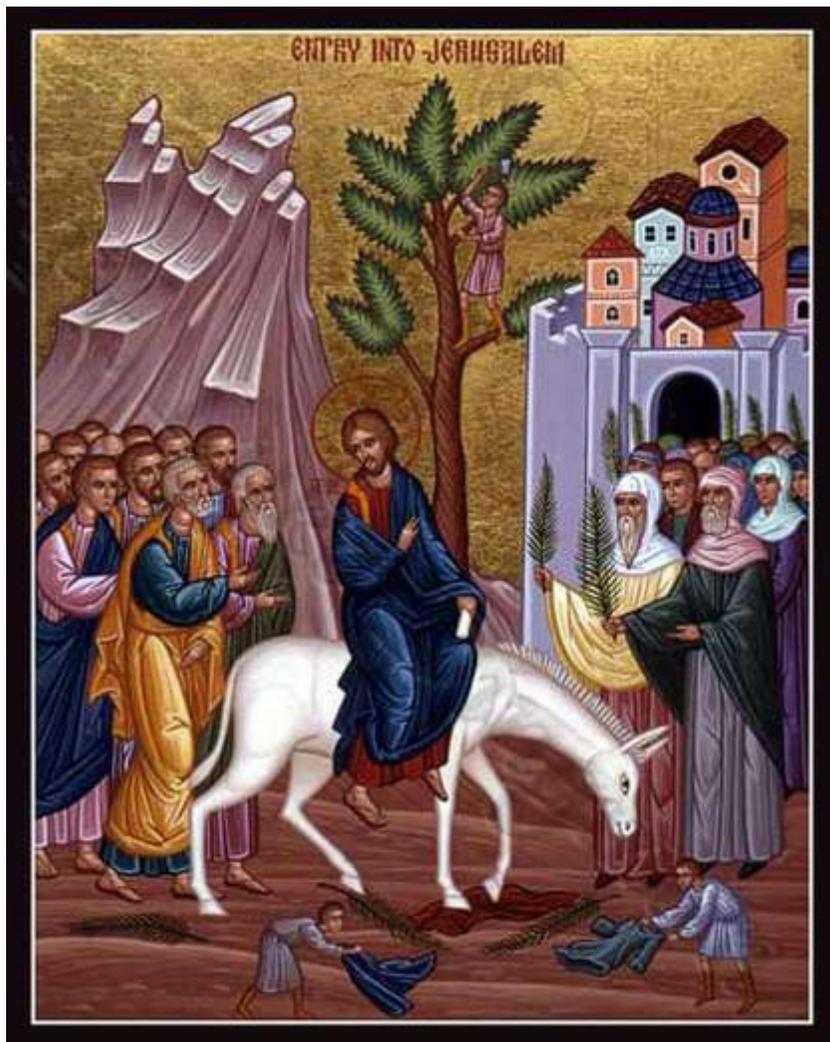


ST JOHN'S
SHAUGHNESSY

heartening the community

NEWSLETTER

Week Commencing March 20th



Palm Sunday

This Week's Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

In Luke, Jesus' journey to Jerusalem begins in Galilee. In [9:51](#), we read "When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem". Jesus has gone "through one town and village after another, teaching as he made his way to Jerusalem" ([13:22](#)). This journey nears its end.

Now Jesus approaches Jerusalem from the east. "Bethphage and Bethany" (v. [29](#)) are villages on the slope of "the Mount of Olives" opposite the Temple Mount. It is likely that the colt is owned by followers of Jesus. That he is able to ride a colt that has "never been ridden" (v. [30](#)) suggests that even the animal realizes that Jesus comes in peace. In Zechariah [9:9](#) we find the prophecy that the ideal, future king, "triumphant and victorious" will come "humble and riding on a donkey, on a colt". (Normally triumphant kings rode war-horses.)

Perhaps poor people spread "their cloaks on the road" (v. [36](#)) being their most valuable possession, and/or this recalls the acknowledgement given Jehu when he was anointed King of Israel, for he restored worship of God to the nation (see 2 Kings [9:12-13](#)). V. [38a](#) is a quotation from Psalm [118:26](#), a psalm of praise sung on major festivals. V. [38b](#) is like the song the angels sing at Jesus' birth ([2:14](#)). "The stones would shout out" (v. [40](#)) is a quotation from Habakkuk [2:11](#), a book that tries to understand why godly people suffer injustice. Or perhaps Jesus speaks of the destruction of the city. The events described in vv. [43-44](#) did occur when the Romans razed the city in 70 AD. They did so in the midst of a civil war.

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Induction of our new Rector!

Monday, April 25th, 7pm to 9pm

The Venerable John Stephens will be inducted as Rector of St John's Shaughnessy on St Mark's Day, Monday, April 25 at 7pm. The liturgical colour is red. Seasonal Libations will be served in the Trendell Lounge. We hope everyone can share this joyous evening with us!



PWRDF

On Nov. 8, 2013, every home in a village on the island of Leyte in the Philippines was damaged or destroyed by Typhoon Haiyan. Many families received aid from various agencies to rebuild. For others there was a problem. They were tenant farmers, living and working on land owned by someone else.

PWRDF partnered with the Episcopal Church in the Philippines (ECP) and purchased a hectare of land from a resident in the village and then worked with the tenant farmers to build 80 houses on the land. They were able to build a house a month. Tenants who had never owned a piece of real property in their life now had the opportunity for the first time.

Thanks to the support of PWRDF and ECP, these 80 families in Sabang Bao had the chance to significantly improve their lives with dignity and through their own hard work after a storm that had destroyed all they had.

Lenten Boxes: For those who took a PWRDF coin box for Lent, bring them to church this coming Sunday, (or the following Sunday) and place it in the collection plate. Make sure that your name is on the box. PWRDF thanks you for your donation. *Doug Symons, PWRDF rep. for SJS.*

Easter Sunday Flower Dedications

We have already placed our order for flowers, and ordered some extras just in case some parishioners missed the March 13th deadline. Please send in your special flower dedications, which can be memorials or thanksgivings, to the office by **Monday, March 21st**.

Baby Supplies Needed

I am assisting a young woman who lives in the Downtown Eastside, and is expecting her fourth child, a girl, in late April. She is looking for gently used baby items such as misc. clothing, glider rocker, double stroller, change table, baby tub, and a nursery lamp. Please contact the office for more information about donating items. *Janet*

Holy Week



Sunday March 20 Palm Sunday

- 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00am Palm Procession and Sung Eucharist

Wednesday March 23

- 9:30am Said Holy Eucharist with address (30 minutes)

Thursday March 24 Maundy Thursday

- 6:45pm Homemade soup and sandwiches - all welcome
8:00pm Last Supper Eucharist with foot washing. A meditative watch will be kept until 10:30pm.

Friday March 25 Good Friday

- 10:00am Families Stations of the Cross (35 minutes)
12:00noon Solemn Liturgy of the Day with Sung Passion

Saturday March 26 Holy Saturday

- 8:00pm Great Vigil of Easter

Sunday March 27 Resurrection of our Lord, Easter Day

- 8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)
10:00am Celebration Eucharist and Easter Egg Hunt



Maundy Thursday

March 24

6.45pm

Homemade soup and sandwiches

8:00pm

Last Supper Eucharist with foot washing

The Eucharist is followed by the ceremonial stripping of the altar and a procession through the church to the side chapel where the Blessed Sacrament will be kept overnight, reminding us of our Lord's torment in the Garden of Gethsemane. A meditative watch will be kept until 10:30pm.

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March 27

8:00am

Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00am

Celebration Eucharist followed by an
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People's Warden Louise Hadley

Treasurer Donald Wood

Vestry Clerk Karin Fulcher

Music Director Michael Dirk

Children's Ministry Michael Dirk

Parish Administrator Janet Hamilton

PWRDF Rep Doug Symons

Sacristan and MC Paul Bunnell

Sunday services

8:00am Holy Communion (BCP)

10:00am Sung Eucharist

Wednesday service

9:30am Holy Communion (**new time**)

Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings and Confessions are by appointment with the Priest-in-Charge. Please contact us if you would like to have our weekly newsletter emailed to you.

