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### **MASS SCHEDULE**

Monday - Friday: 6:30 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Saturday: 7:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. Saturday Vigil: 5:00 p.m. (Fulfills Sunday Obligation) Sunday: 6:00 a.m., 8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m., 12:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

### RECONCILIATION

Wednesday & Saturday 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. (unless noted in bulletin)

### **Devotions**

First Friday Adoration/Benediction at 10:00 a.m. First Saturday Adoration after 7:00 a.m. Mass (unless noted in bulletin)

### **PARISH OFFICE**

MONDAY through FRIDAY 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed on holidays

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# APRIL 13, 2025 PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION



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**This week's Readings:** Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24 Philippians 2:6-11; Philippians 2:8-9; Luke 22:14-23:56 or Luke 23:1-49

Next week's Readings: Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8; 1 Corinthians 5:7; John 20:1-9

### "RADIANT HOPE: A JOURNEY THROUGH HOLY WEEK"

Beloved Pilgrims of Hope,

Greetings of peace, love, joy, and hope!

This Sunday, known as Palm Sunday or Passion Sunday, marks the beginning of Holy Week. As we gather to bless palms, we remember Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem, where the profound mystery of our salvation unfolded. The palms symbolize our recognition of Jesus as the true King, the Messiah who has come to save us all.

The liturgy beautifully states, "Today, we gather together to herald with the entire Church the beginning of the celebration of our Lord's Paschal Mystery, which includes His Passion and Resurrection. For it was to accomplish this mystery that He entered His own city of Jerusalem. Therefore, with all faith and devotion, let us commemorate the Lord's entry into the city for our salvation, following in His footsteps, so that, by His grace, being partakers of the Cross, we also may share in His Resurrection and His life."

As we reflect on these words, we come to understand and believe that Jesus offered His life for our salvation. He entered Jerusalem with boundless love and mercy, enduring unimaginable suffering and death. Stripped, whipped, crowned with thorns, carrying the heavy burden of the cross, nailed to it, pierced with a lance, and laid in the tomb—these were the depths of His sacrifice to bring us back to our senses. Through His pain, He showed us the way to live according to God's will, not the ways of the world.

In this Jubilee Year of Hope, let us embrace the call to journey with the Lord during these sacred days of Holy Week. May our lives be filled with the goodness and grace that God continually bestows upon us. Let us renew our commitment to be true disciples of Christ, stewards of the Gospel, and faithful sons and daughters of God.

With all the celebrations of the coming days, specifically on the Easter Triduum, I invite you all to participate in our liturgies not only as an obligation but more so to encounter and experience Jesus' depth of love for all of us. In doing so, we may come to our senses about what it means to love truly, which can transform our lives to be faithful children of God, committed disciples of Christ, and instruments of renewal through the Holy Spirit.

May the hope and joy of the Resurrection fill our hearts and inspire us to live out our faith with renewed vigor and love.

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Your fellow pilgrim in hope,

Fr. Pascual Abaya IV



# "FATHER, INTO YOUR HANDS I COMMEND MY SPIRIT" Luke 23:46

### CHURCH'S CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Sunday, April 13, 2025 **Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion**Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

Monday, April 14, 2025 Monday of Holy Week Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 Tuesday of Holy Week Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm

Wednesday, April 16, 2025 Wednesday of Holy Week Sacrament of Reconciliation at 10:00am Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm Thursday, April 17, 2025 Holy Thursday - **Operation Rice Bowl Collection** Please see schedule on page 4

Friday, April 18, 2025
Offices Close
Good Friday - Holy Land Collection
Please see schedule on page 4

Saturday, April 19, 2025

Cathedral Basilica closed during the day

Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

please see schedule on page 4

Sunday, April 20, 2025 **The Resurrection of the Lord**Masses at 6:00/8:00/10:00am/12:00pm/6:00pm

Live-Streamed Mass at 10:00 a.m.

### **SCRIPTURE**

Luke uses a particular expression describing the way Simon of Cyrene helped Jesus carry his cross: "They made him carry it [the cross] behind Jesus" (Luke 23:26). This echoes Jesus' earlier words: "Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:27). Simon of Cyrene, following after Jesus on his way to his death, acts as a true disciple. As the saying goes, "That's a hard act to follow," but follow it we must.

Follow after me. Take up your cross. Be my disciple. Love one another. Obedience to the Father's will and trust in his loving mercy brought Jesus to the point of sharing the Last Supper. Then he gave himself into the Father's hands, a sacrifice of his body and blood we recall every time the Eucharist is celebrated.

### **SHARING FAITH**

What does it mean to obey God and trust his loving mercy? Where in your life is this hardest?

After this Lenten journey, how has the way you follow the Messiah changed?

How will you walk with Jesus through Holy Week?

### LIVING THE LITURGY

Participate in the Holy Week liturgies. If your work schedule prohibits this, find a time to sit quietly or visit a church, and reflect on the symbols of the Paschal Mystery (the crucifix, statue, or stations).

Jesus was a victim of crucifixion, a form a capital punishment during his day. Read a story or article about someone who does not believe in the death penalty. Sister Helen Prejean, c s j , has done extensive writing and speaking in this area. "Journey of Hope . . . from Violence to Healing" is an organization led by murder victims' family members who speak about alternatives to the death penalty. Explore your beliefs and thoughts with a group.

There are many stories or movies of people ridiculed for failure and later celebrated as victorious and triumphant. In a group, tell some of the stories of those people.

### REFLECTION

Rather, he emptied himself . . . / becoming obedient to the point of death, / even death on a cross (Philippians 2:7-8)



# ICSC STEWARDSHIP PRAYER (APRIL)

Christ Our Savior,

As our Lenten journey brings us closer to Easter, we see with a deeper awareness our world's desperate need to experience the healing power of your justice and peace.

Make us sacraments of your mercy and instruments of your compassion.

Show us how to be better stewards of your people; through our families, our brothers and sisters with whom we share your Eucharist, our neighbors, and the stranger.

Show us how to carry the cross so that by dying to ourselves we may give new life to others.

And strengthen our faith, so that we may proclaim your Easter triumph more confidently, every day, in word and deed.

Amen.



### THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

March 31 - April 6, 2025

**Offertory Collection** 

Sunday	\$ 6,633.76
Weekday	\$ 1,173.62
Other Feasts, Solemnities, Holy Day	\$ 70.00
Online Giving	\$ 2,523.05
Total Offertory	\$ 10,400.43

### Other Collection

Repairs & Maintenance	\$ 15.00
Diocesan Collection	\$ 1,217.34
Special Collection (Intentions, etc.)	\$ 1,347.00
Other Collection (Gallery, etc.)	\$ 1,338.00
Total	\$ 14,317.77

### **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE**

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of Holy Week,
Masses at 6:30am & 12:00pm
Holy Thursday, Mass of the Lord's Supper at 6:00pm
Holy Thursday Night Prayer at 10:00pm
Good Friday of the Lord's Passion services at 12:00pm & 6:00pm
Stations of the Cross at 10:00am
Good Friday Evening Prayer at 7:15pm
Holy Saturday at the Easter Vigil in the Holy Night Mass at 7:15pm
The Resurrection of the Lord Masses,
6:00, 8:00, 10:00am, 12:00 and 6:00pm

### **JUBILEE SPIRITUAL CONFERENCE**

West Honolulu Vicariate Presents
JUBILEE YEAR 2025
Spiritual Conferences at Co-Cathedral of St. Theresa
(with Holy Hour and Confession)
April 16, 2025, at 6:00 PM
Speaker: Fr. Lazarus Anondee
Theme: RENEWING OUR FAITH COMMITMENT IN THE
JUBILEE OF HOPE

### 'OHANA IN CHRIST ANNUAL APPEAL

Help support the Cathedral Basilica and our many Catholic ministries and services by contributing to the **2024-2025** 'Ohana In Christ Appeal. We collected \$34,655.00 of \$36,671 and we are at 95% of our goal. Catholic Church in Hawaii has many dimensions and continues to make significant impact in the communities we serve. Your generous gift will especially help support numerous ministries and services at our parishes, schools and beyond - as well as our Parish Priests and Deacons, Youth and Young Adult Ministry and those most in need. Mahalo for your generous Stewardship of Treasure. All gifts are important and appreciated. Please give online at CatholicHawaii.org. Or scan the OR code on the left with your phone. For more information on how you can give or please call the office at 808-536-7036. Thank you for your generosity!

### **SAINT FOR THE WEEK**

God afflicts us because he loves us; amd it is very pleasing to him, when in our afflictions he sees us abandon ourselves to his paternal care.

Benedict Joseph Labre (1748 - 1783), Patron of Mental Illness, Feast Day April 16