



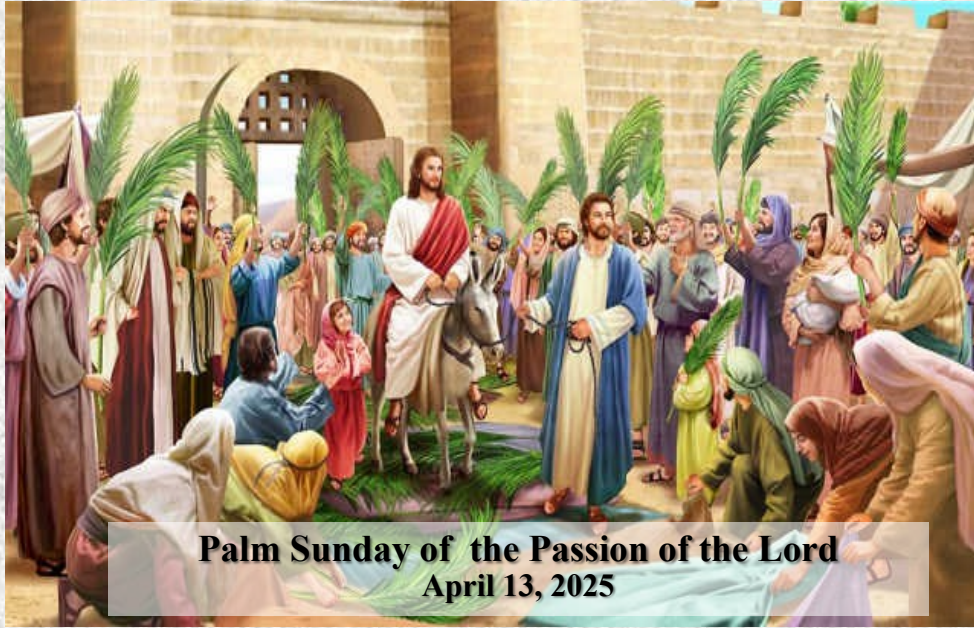
✦ OUR LADY OF MERCY PARISH ✦

Daly City, CA 94015-3424

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Established in 1954 — A Member of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of San Francisco

“This is my body, which will be given for you; do this in memory of me.”



“This cup is the new covenant in my blood, which will be shed for you.”

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
April 13, 2025

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The Rectory office is staffed Monday to Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Our Lady of Mercy Rectory office is closed on weekends and holidays.

CURRENT SCHEDULES:

MASS SCHEDULE

Monday to Friday: 7:00am & 9:00am

Saturday Mass: 9:00AM & 4:00pm Vigil Mass

Sunday Masses: 8:00am, 10:00am, 12:00 noon

Holy Days of Obligation: Vigil Mass 6:00pm, 7:00am, 9:00am & 6:00pm

BAPTISM:

1st and 3rd Saturdays at 12pm. Sundays at 1:15pm

Baptismal Preparation Class for the parents' and godparents' Every First Wednesday of the Month the Parish Center at 7:00PM—c/o Deacon Mike Ghiorso

For grades 3-8, sign up for the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Children (RCIC)**. For grades 9 and above, call to learn more about the **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA)**.

MARRIAGE:

2nd and 4th Saturdays at 12:00 p.m.

Be sure to contact the Rectory at least six months before your anticipated wedding date.

RECONCILIATION / CONFESSION:

Saturdays from 2:30 to 3:00 p.m. — or call the Rectory to make an appointment with any priest.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK:

Please call the Rectory for one of our priests to come. Our Eucharistic Ministers visit the homebound daily.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:

Fridays: 5:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., concluding with Evening Prayer & Benediction at 6:00 p.m.

First Fridays: Mass at 6:00 p.m.

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS:

Mondays at 6:00 p.m. (Novena & Mass)

COMMUNAL RECITATION OF THE ROSARY:

Weekdays immediately after the 9:00 a.m. Mass.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord:

"He Emptied Himself for Us"



On this Palm Sunday, we stand at the threshold of Holy Week, holding palm branches in our hands as symbols of both triumph and tragedy. The Gospel of St. Luke (22:14–23:56) presents us with the full drama of Jesus' Passion—a movement from the Upper Room to Calvary, from the breaking of bread to the breaking of His body on the cross. It is a story marked not only by betrayal, suffering, and death, but also by profound love, mercy, and self-emptying.

Jesus begins the Passion narrative with a gift—His very self—in the institution of the Eucharist. “This is my body, which is given for you.” These words are not only the heart of the Last Supper, but the key to understanding the whole Passion. Jesus gives everything—His dignity, His strength, His breath, and finally His life—not for His own sake, but for ours. In a world where power is grasped and defended, Jesus shows us a different way: the way of surrender, of servant-love, of self-sacrifice

St. Luke's account highlights this with the image of the innocent Lamb who suffers without retaliation. As Jesus is betrayed by Judas, denied by Peter, and condemned by the very people He came to save, He remains rooted in compassion. On the cross, He prays not for vengeance but for mercy: “Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.” Even in agony, He consoles a repentant criminal: “Today you will be with me in paradise.” In the face of cruelty, He offers kindness; in the midst of abandonment, He remains faithful.

We are invited today not just to witness the Passion but to enter it. Who are we in this story? Are we like the disciples, who fall asleep or flee in fear? Like Peter, who denies under pressure? Like the crowd, who shifts from “Hosanna!” to “Crucify Him!” in a matter of days? Yet even when we fail, Jesus does not give up on us. He meets us in our weakness and calls us to walk with Him, to carry our crosses with love, and to trust in the victory that comes through the cross.

Palm Sunday reminds us that God's power is revealed not in domination, but in self-giving love. Christ emptied Himself for us so that we might be filled with His grace. As we begin this sacred week, let us fix our eyes on Jesus, follow Him closely in His Passion, and prepare our hearts for the joy of the Resurrection.

Prayer: He Emptied Himself for Us

*Lord Jesus, as we begin this Holy Week, we walk with You in the shadow of the cross,
our hearts heavy with the weight of Your suffering
and our hands holding palm branches— symbols of praise, yet also of paradox.
You gave Yourself completely for us.*

*In the Upper Room, You offered Your Body and Blood; on Calvary, You poured out Your mercy.
Teach us to recognize Your love in every step of the Passion—
in betrayal, in silence, in forgiveness, in death.*

When we are tempted to run away in fear, stay with us.

*When we deny You in our words or actions, look at us with the same gaze of mercy that restored Peter.
Help us to carry our crosses, not with bitterness, but with trust—knowing that every act of love,
every sacrifice offered in union with You, leads not to death, but to new life.*

*Lord, may Your self-giving love transform our hearts. Teach us to empty ourselves for others
as You emptied Yourself for us.*

We pray this in Your holy name. Amen.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Is 42: 1-7; Ps 27: 1-3, 13-14; Jn 12: 1-11

Tuesday: Is 49: 1-6; Ps 71: 1-4a, 5-6ab, 15, 17; Jn 13: 21-33, 36-38

Wednesday: Is 50: 4-9a; Ps 69: 8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34; Mt 26: 14-25

Thursday: Ex 12: 1-8, 11-14; Ps 116: 12-13, 15-16c, 17-18; 1Cor 11: 23-26; Jn 13: 1-15

Friday: Is 52: 13-53:12; Ps 31: 2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25; Heb 4:14-16, 5:7-9; Jn 18: 1-19:42

Saturday: Gn 1:1-2:2; Ps 33:4-7,12-13,20,22; Ex 14:15-15:1; (Ps)Ex15:1-6, 17-18; Is 55:1-11; (Ps) Is 12:2-3, 4-6; Rm 6:3-11; Ps 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Lk 24:1-12

Sunday: Acts 10:34, 34-43; Ps 118: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23; Col 3:1-4 or 1Cor 5: 6-8; Jn 20:1-9 or 41: Lk 24:1-12

Upcoming Events of Note / Reminders / Announcements:

-We are inviting you to join the 2025 Jubilee Year Pilgrimage of Hope featuring the Holy Doors and Blessed Carlo Acutis, on October 20-30, 2025 with Fr. Domingo Orimaco as Tour Chaplain. If you are interested please contact Mariche Yu-Fernandez, Tour Coordinator at 650-892-2066 or chemariyu41@gmail.com

-This coming Thursday **April 17 is Holy Thursday with Morning Praise at 9AM. At 7:30PM there will be Mass of the Lord's Supper. Vigil at the Altar of Repose up to 11:00PM.**

-**Good Friday schedule starts with Morning Praise at 9:00AM, then Stations of the Cross at 2:00PM, Good Friday Liturgy is at 3:00PM. Evening Good Friday Liturgy is at 6:00PM.**

-**April 19, Saturday there will be an Easter Vigil Mass, Blessing of Fire & Water and Paschal Candle, and Sacrament of Initiation.**

-**April 20, Sunday is Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord.** Hope you will be guided accordingly with the schedule of the Holy Week service.

- The Religious Education program is grateful for your generosity in sharing your resources to our needy students in the Philippines last year. They were able to send school supplies, umbrellas & raincoats. Today we are again launching the Lenten Project to help the poor and deserving students of the Philippines. Any amount is greatly appreciated.

-If you would like to make an e-contribution, please check the **QR Code** at the back of the **Missalette** or at the back of this **Bulletin**. Please drop off or mail your Offertory Envelopes to the Parish Office if you cannot come to the Church. Thank you for your continued generosity and support to Our Lady of Mercy.

Day	Time	Mass Intentions for the Coming Week: April 14—April 20, 2025	
Mon Apr 14	7:00am 9:00am 6:00pm	Members of OLM Parish Rudy Dantes + Marcelito Ramos +	AN DO RC
Tue Apr 15	7:00am 9:00am	Erlinda Dacanay + Placido Apolinario, Sr. +	RC AN
Wed Apr 16	7:00am 9:00am	Gigi Diaz de Rivera– Thanksgiving Amy Marston +	DO AN
Thur Apr 17	9:00am 7:30pm	Morning Praise (No AM Mass) Mass of the Lord's Supper/Washing of the Feet/ Procession to the Altar of Repose-vigil until 11PM	DO DO
Fri Apr 18	9:00am 2:00pm 3:00pm 6:00pm	Morning Praise (No AM Mass) Via Crucis/Stations of the Cross Good Friday Liturgy/Veneration of the Cross Evening Good Friday Liturgy	AN DO AN RC
Sat Apr 19	9:00am 2:30pm 8:00pm	Morning Praise (No AM Mass) Confessions (No 4PM Mass) Easter Vigil/Blessing of Fire & Water, Sacraments of Initiation	DO DO/ AN
Sun Apr 20	8:00am 10:00am 12:00pm	Robert Drucker + Greta Floresca + Eduardo E. Nochez +	AN DO AN

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Wednesday of Holy Week

Holy Thursday

Good Friday: Passion of the Lord

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

Updates & Support

AAA Update: OLM parishioners have contributed in cash and pledges **\$ 20,555.00** as of April 1 out of our goal of **\$ 101,749.00**. May our good Lord richly bless you.

SUNDAY COLLECTION

April 5 and April 6, 2025

FIRST COLLECTION - \$ 5,913.00

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- \$ 1,748.00

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- \$ 2,022.55



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join us!

Welcome to Our Lady of Mercy!

If you worship with us each week, please fill out this form and become an **official** member of the parish. *Upon completion, you may drop this form at the Rectory or with your donation during offertory collection.*

By registering, you get on our mailing list and let us know if you are interested in supporting your parish through your time, talents and treasure—the privilege of every Catholic.

Baptism & Confirmation of children, weddings & marriage anniversaries, Funeral Services for loved ones, etc.

In addition, all **registered** members of the parish are eligible to celebrate important sacramental events at OLM.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone/s: _____

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If you are just visiting from another parish, we do hope you enjoy your OLM experience today!

OUR FACINATING FAITH: LENT

One of the liturgical reforms mandated at the 2nd Vatican Council was that the focus of the season of Lent should be restored as a time of preparation for—or renewal of—baptism. The bishops at the Council were aware of the fact that the origins of Lent as distinctive liturgical season lay in the early centuries when the Church celebrated the sacraments of Christian initiation only once a year, at the Easter Vigil. In order to prepare those who were to receive those sacraments, a special period of preparation gradually developed. By the time of Second Vatican Council, the initiatory character of Lent had long been forgotten, and it had become simply a time of penance focused on individual spiritual renewal. The introduction of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults and the revision of the Lectionary after the Council have changed all of that. Now the Sunday scripture readings during the Lent are very carefully selected with an eye to the journey of those preparing to be initiated at the Easter Vigil.

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