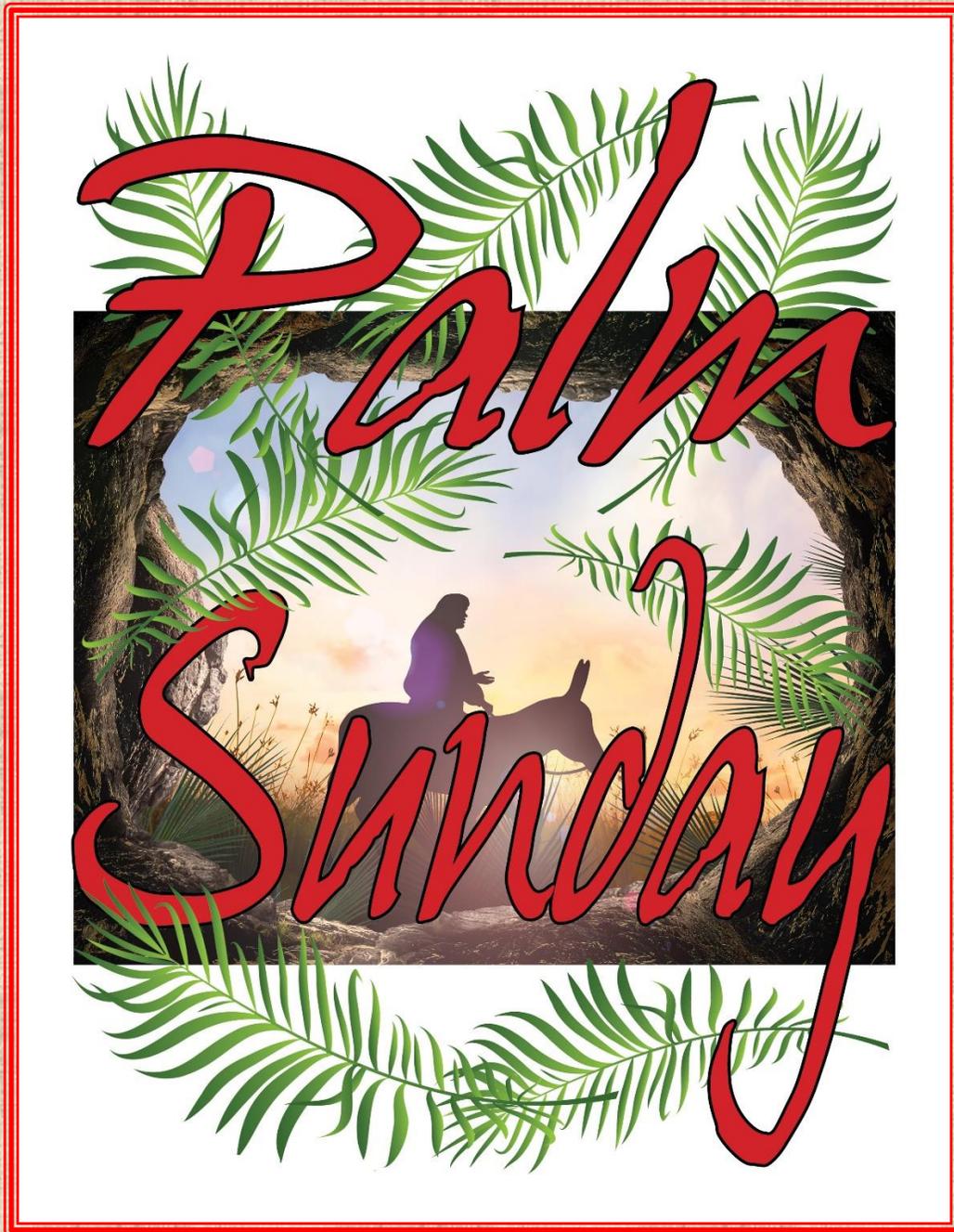


# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

April 10, 2022



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North Attleborough, Massachusetts

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### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saint Mary Church • Saturday 3:00 pm

### Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are scheduled on Saturday afternoons at 1:00 pm, with a limit of four families at each baptism. Please contact Monica Forte in the office at [stmaryna@noozi.com](mailto:stmaryna@noozi.com) for more information and available dates.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Marriage is usually celebrated on Saturday morning and afternoon. Please contact the Parish Office at least nine months in advance to begin preparation.

### Sacrament of the Sick

Pastoral care to those in need of the sacrament of the sick is arranged with Father Rodney. Please call the parish office to arrange a visit.

### Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration is offered on the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday of each month in Saint Mary Church, beginning at 9:00 am with Morning Prayer and ending at 6:00 pm with Evening Prayer and Benediction.

### Parish Offering

If you are attending in person, you may drop your contribution in the collection basket. You are welcome to mail your budget envelope to the parish office, at 14 Park Street, North Attleborough, MA 02760. You may also leave your envelope in the drop box located outside the parish office door, to the right on the landing. Or you can use this link for on line giving:

<https://app.gabrielsoft.com/guest/mafrdiocese/31>

Thank you for your ongoing support!

### Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:00 pm Saint Mary Church

Sunday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church

Sunday 9:30 am Saint Mary Church

Sunday 11:00 am Sacred Heart Church

### Holy Week Liturgies April 11 - 16

Monday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church

Tuesday 8:00 am Saint Mark Church

Wednesday 4:30 pm Saint Mary Church

**Holy Thursday 7:00 pm Sacred Heart**

**Good Friday**

**3:00 pm Saint Mark *Passion of the Lord***

**6:30 pm Stations of the Cross – Saint Mary**

**Saturday -Easter Vigil 8:00 pm Saint Mary**

**Links to:** Transfiguration of the Lord Facebook page  
<https://www.facebook.com/Transfiguration-of-the-Lord-Parish-North-Attleborough-106529317647894/>

YouTube at <https://tinyurl.com/ysfaxaty>

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# PALM SUNDAY

## April 10 -Palm Sunday

- Saturday April 9**  
4:00 pm Mary & Joseph Cabral
- Sunday April 10**  
8:00 am Deceased members of the Parish
- Sunday April 10**  
9:30 am Charles Anastos
- Sunday April 10**  
11:00 am Gloria Gaskin
- Monday April 11**  
4:30 pm
- Tuesday April 12**  
8:00 am Ruben Chevere
- Wednesday April 13**  
4:30 pm David Parenteau

# EASTER TRIDUUM

- Thursday April 14**  
7:00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Friday April 15**  
3:00 pm Passion of the Lord  
6:30 pm Stations of the Cross
- Saturday April 16**  
8:00 pm Easter Vigil  
\*NO 4:00 PM MASS

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## April 17 -Easter Sunday

- Sunday April 17**  
8:00 am Flower Memorials
- Sunday April 17**  
9:30 am Flower Memorials
- Sunday April 17**  
11:00 am Flower Memorials



## *From Father Rodney*

I don't know about you but I feel as if Lent flew by with lightening speed. It feels like it was just Ash Wednesday and we were embarking upon this season of grace to help us to grow in holiness. We sometimes forget that we are called to holiness. Holiness is the pathway to Eternal Life. Sure, we all fall short from time to time but the Lord's mercy abounds whenever we seek Him out. You are going to hear me say it this weekend at but I encourage ALL parishioners to give some serious thought to attending the Sacred *Triduum*. The "Three days," that is, Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil are the three holiest moments in the life of our Church. I extend to you an invitation to join me on Holy Thursday at 7:00PM in Sacred Heart Church when we celebrate the Priesthood of Jesus Christ instituted at the Last Supper as well as commemorating the very first time the Eucharist was broken and shared. Join me at some point on Good Friday, good because of what Jesus accomplished setting us free from sin by the ultimate sacrifice on the cross. There will be a couple of opportunities to mark Good Friday. At 3:00PM, at Saint Mark Church, the Solemn Good Friday Service will take place when we hear the Passion According to Saint John, reverence the cross and receive Holy Communion or join me at 6:30PM to walk the Stations of the Cross at Saint Mary Church. On Holy Saturday, join me to keep Vigil at 8:00PM as we await the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. In summary, I encourage all parishioners to keep Holy Week holy! Set some time aside to come together as a community of faith so that we can better understand all that the Lord has done for us out of his immense love for us. Of course, on Sunday morning, the normal Mass schedule will be in full force as we will certainly be welcoming larger than crowds coming to celebrate the Resurrection. Masses will be celebrated 8:00AM; 9:30AM & 11:00AM. I look forward to seeing you and our visitors this coming week. Please, accept my invitation: keep Holy Week holy.





### ***Triduum and Easter Schedule***



#### **Holy Thursday**

7:00PM at Sacred Heart Church

*Mass of the Lord's Supper*

*Following Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament in Sacred Heart Church until*

*10:00 pm*



#### **Good Friday**

3:00 PM at Saint Mark Church

*Passion of the Lord*

#### **Good Friday**

6:30 PM at Saint Mary Church

*Stations of the Cross*



#### **Easter Vigil**

8:00PM at Saint Mary Church

*Easter Vigil*

**NOTE: NO 4:00 pm Mass**



#### **Easter Sunday morning**

8:00 AM at Saint Mark Church

9:30 AM at Saint Mary Church

11:00 AM at Sacred Heart Church



The Sacrament of

*Reconciliation*  
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### **Additional Times for Confessions**

For those who would like to go to confession before Easter Father Rodney has added additional opportunities for your convenience. Please note the following dates and times all at Saint Mary's:

**Friday, April 8 6:00 PM-6:25 PM**

**Saturday, April 9 3:00 PM-3:30 PM**

**Friday, April 15 12:00 PM-12:30 PM  
(Good Friday)**

**Friday, April 15 6:00 PM-6:30 PM**



### **Lenten Regulations for Fast & Abstinence**

Good Friday is an obligatory day of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence. For members of the Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, one full meal is permitted, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

### **Palm Sunday Taize' Service**

St. John Neumann Parish cordially invites you to their Palm Sunday Taize' Service, Sunday, April 10th at 7 pm. "Come, still yourself before the Mysteries" St. John Neumann Church Rt. 18 – 157 Middleboro Rd. East Freetown, Mass 02717

### **Parish Office Closed**

Please note the Parish Office will be closed on Friday, April 15 (Good Friday) and Monday, April 18 (Patriot's Day). There is no daily Mass on April 18.

## FAITH FORMATION

*Director of Religious Education*

*Mrs. Elaine Corvese*

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**Please note new email address:**  
[TransfigurationRelEd@gmail.com](mailto:TransfigurationRelEd@gmail.com)

**Grades 3, 4, and 5 workshops** have been cancelled for April.



HOLY EUCHARIST

**First Communion** will be held on  
*Saturday, May 14, 2022, at Saint Mary Church,*  
groups as follows:

10:00 am for students with the last name A-J

1:00 pm for students with the last name K-Z.

## Parish Contributions

Collection figures from March 26/27:  
\$12,031.13

Collection for Ukraine: \$21,994.00  
SMSh School for Ukraine: \$1,025.00

## Men's Group

**Happy Easter!** We hope you can join us at our next breakfast and meeting on Saturday April 23<sup>rd</sup> at St. John's in Attleboro.



## Women's Guild Meeting

The Transfiguration of the Lord Parish Women's Guild will be meeting on Tuesday, April 12, 2022. All women of the parish are invited to join us at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Mary Parish Center for a short business meeting and refreshments followed by a guest speaker from New Hope at 7:00 p.m. New Hope is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving those affected by domestic and sexual violence serving 41 communities throughout South-Central and Southeastern Massachusetts. We will be collecting \$10 Dunkin Gift Cards to help support New Hope's many volunteers, gift cards can be brought to the meeting or dropped in the collection basket at Mass.

As is recommended in the rubrics, during the season of Lent (and later in Easter) we will be using the Apostles' Creed in lieu of the Nicene Creed. This briefer, earlier Creed is a good way for us to keep an ancient practice alive. The Apostles' Creed can be found on page 10 in the missalette. We will also use the Penitential Act found on page 4 and below.

## Apostles' Creed

I believe in God,  
the Father Almighty,  
Creator of Heaven and earth;  
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, Our Lord,  
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died, and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God, the Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy Catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body  
and life everlasting.

Amen

## Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God  
and to you, my brothers and sisters,  
that I have greatly sinned,  
in my thoughts and in my words,  
in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,  
through my fault, through my fault,  
through my most grievous fault;  
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,  
all the Angels and Saints,  
and you, my brothers and sisters,  
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

## *Readings for April 10*

### **FIRST READING**

#### **A reading from the Book of the Prophet Isaiah**

The Lord GOD has given me  
a well-trained tongue,  
that I might know how to speak to the weary  
a word that will rouse them.  
Morning after morning  
he opens my ear that I may hear;  
and I have not rebelled,  
have not turned back.  
I gave my back to those who beat me,  
my cheeks to those who plucked  
my beard;  
my face I did not shield  
from buffets and spitting.

The Lord GOD is my help,  
therefore I am not disgraced;  
I have set my face like flint,  
knowing that I shall not be put  
to shame.  
The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God.**

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

#### **R My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

All who see me scoff at me;  
they mock me with parted lips,  
they wag their heads:  
“He relied on the LORD; let him deliver him,  
let him rescue him, if he loves him.”

#### **R My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

Indeed, many dogs surround me,  
a pack of evildoers closes in upon me;  
they have pierced my hands and my feet;  
I can count all my bones.

#### **R My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

They divide my garments among them,  
and for my vesture they cast lots.  
But you, O LORD, be not far from me;  
O my help, hasten to aid me.

#### **R My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

I will proclaim your name to my brethren;  
in the midst of the assembly I will  
praise you:  
“You who fear the LORD, praise him;  
all you descendants of Jacob,  
give glory to him;  
revere him, all you descendants of Israel!”

#### **R My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?**

### **SECOND READING**

#### **A reading from the second Letter of Saint Paul to the Philippians**

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God,  
did not regard equality with God  
something to be grasped.

Rather, he emptied himself,  
taking the form of a slave,  
coming in human likeness;  
and found human in appearance,  
he humbled himself,  
becoming obedient to the point  
of death,  
even death on a cross.

Because of this, God greatly exalted him  
and bestowed on him the name  
which is above every name,  
that at the name of Jesus  
every knee should bend,  
of those in heaven and on earth and  
under the earth,  
and every tongue confess that  
Jesus Christ is Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

**Thanks be to God**

## GOSPEL

**The Lord be with you.**

**And with your spirit.**

**N. The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ  
according to Luke**

N. When the hour came, Jesus took his place at table with the apostles. He said to them,

† “I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer, for, I tell you, I shall not eat it again until there is fulfillment in the kingdom of God.”

N. Then he took a cup, gave thanks, and said,

† “Take this and share it among yourselves; for I tell you that from this time on I shall not drink of the fruit of the vine until the kingdom of God comes.”

N. Then he took the bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them, saying,

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

N. And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying,

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

“And yet behold, the hand of the one who is to betray me is with me on the table; for the Son of Man indeed goes as it has been determined; but woe to that man by whom he is betrayed.”

N. And they began to debate among themselves who among them would do such a deed.

Then an argument broke out among them about which of them should be regarded as the greatest. He said to them,

† “The kings of the Gentiles lord it over them and those in authority over them are addressed as ‘Benefactors’; but among you it shall not be so. Rather, let the greatest among you be as the

youngest, and the leader as the servant. For who is greater: the one seated at table or the one who serves? Is it not the one seated at table? I am among you as the one who serves. It is you who have stood by me in my trials; and I confer a kingdom on you, just as my Father has conferred one on me, that you may eat and drink at my table in my kingdom; and you will sit on throne judging the twelve tribes of Israel.

“Simon, Simon, behold Satan has demanded to sift all of you like wheat, but I have prayed that your own faith may not fail; and once you have turned back, you must strengthen your brothers.”

N. He said to him,

V. “Lord, I am prepared to go to prison and to die with you.”

N. But he replied,

† “I tell you, Peter, before the cock crows this day, you will deny three times that you know me.”

N. He said to them,

† “When I sent you forth without a money bag or a sack or sandals, were you in need of anything?”

C. “No, nothing,

N. “ they replied. He said to them,

† “But now one who has a money bag should take it, and likewise a sack, and one who does not have a sword should sell his cloak and buy one. For I tell you that this Scripture must be fulfilled in me, namely, *He was counted among the wicked*; and indeed what is written about me is coming to fulfillment.”

N. Then they said,

C. “**Lord, look, there are two swords here.**”

N. But he replied,

† “It is enough!”

N. Then going out, he went, as was his custom, to the Mount of Olives, and the disciples followed him. When he arrived at the place he said to them,

† “Pray that you may not undergo the test.”

N. After withdrawing about a stone’s throw from them and kneeling, he prayed, saying,

† “Father, if you are willing, take this cup away from me; still, not my will but yours be done.”

N. And to strengthen him an angel from heaven appeared to him. He was in such agony and he prayed so fervently that his sweat became like drops of blood falling on the ground. When he rose from prayer and returned to his disciples, he found them sleeping from grief. He said to them,

† “Why are you sleeping? Get up and pray that you may not undergo the test.”

N. While he was still speaking, a crowd approached and in front was one of the Twelve, a man named Judas. He went up to Jesus to kiss him. Jesus said to him,

† “Judas, are you betraying the Son of Man with a kiss?”

N. His disciples realized what was about to happen, and they asked,

**C. “Lord, shall we strike with a sword?”**

N. And one of them struck the high priest’s servant and cut off his right ear. But Jesus said in reply,

† “Stop, no more of this!”

N. Then he touched the servant’s ear and healed him. And Jesus said to the chief priests and temple guards and elders who had come for him,

† “Have you come out as against a robber, with swords and clubs? Day after day I was with you in the temple area, and you did not seize me; but this is your hour, the time for the power of darkness.”

N. After arresting him they led him away and took him into the house of the high priest; Peter was following at a distance. They lit a fire in the middle of the courtyard and sat around it, and Peter sat down with them. When a maid saw him seated in the light, she looked intently at him and said,

**C. “This man too was with him.”**

N. But he denied it saying,

V. “Woman, I do not know him.”

N. A short while later someone else saw him and said,

**C. “You too are one of them”;**

N. but Peter answered,

V. “My friend, I am not.”

N. About an hour later, still another insisted,

**C. “Assuredly, this man too was with him, for he also is a Galilean.”**

N. But Peter said,

V. “My friend, I do not know what you are talking about.”

N. Just as he was saying this, the cock crowed, and the Lord turned and looked at Peter; and Peter remembered the word of the Lord, how he had said to him, “Before the cock crows today, you will deny me three times.” He went out and began to weep bitterly. The men who held Jesus in custody were ridiculing and beating him. They blindfolded him and questioned him, saying,

**C. “Prophecy! Who is it that struck you?”**

N. And they reviled him in saying many other things against him.

When day came the council of elders of the people met, both chief priests and scribes, and they brought him before their Sanhedrin. They said,

**C. “If you are the Christ, tell us,”**

N. but he replied to them,

† “If I tell you, you will not believe, and if I question, you will not respond. But from this time on the Son of Man will be seated at the right hand of the power of God.”

N. They all asked,

**C. “Are you then the Son of God?”**

N. He replied to them,

† “You say that I am.”

N. Then they said,

**C. “What further need have we for testimony? We have heard it from his own mouth.”**

N. Then the whole assembly of them arose and brought him before Pilate. They

brought charges against him, saying,  
C. **“We found this man misleading our people; he opposes the payment of taxes to Caesar and maintains that he is the Christ, a king.”**

N. Pilate asked him,

V. “Are you the king of the Jews?”

N. He said to him in reply,

† “You say so.”

N. Pilate then addressed the chief priests and the crowds,

V. “I find this man not guilty.”

N. But they were adamant and said,

C. **“He is inciting the people with his teaching throughout all Judea, from Galilee where he began even to here.”**

N. On hearing this Pilate asked if the man was a Galilean; and upon learning that he was under Herod’s jurisdiction, he sent him to Herod who was in Jerusalem at that time. Herod was very glad to see Jesus; he had been wanting to see him for a long time, for he had heard about him and had been hoping to see him perform some sign. He questioned him at length, but he gave him no answer. The chief priests and scribes, meanwhile, stood by accusing him harshly. Herod and his soldiers treated him contemptuously and mocked him, and after clothing him in resplendent garb, he sent him back to Pilate. Herod and Pilate became friends that very day, even though they had been enemies formerly. Pilate then summoned the chief priests, the rulers, and the people and said to them,

V. “You brought this man to me and accused him of inciting the people to revolt. I have conducted my investigation in your presence and have not found this man guilty of the charges you have brought against him, nor did Herod, for he sent him back to us. So no capital crime has been committed by him. Therefore I shall have him flogged and then release him.”

N. But all together they shouted out,

C. **“Away with this man! Release Barabbas to us.”**

N. — Now Barabbas had been imprisoned for a rebellion that had taken place in the city and for murder. — Again Pilate addressed them, still wishing to release Jesus, but they continued their shouting,

C. **“Crucify him! Crucify him!”**

N. Pilate addressed them a third time,

V. “What evil has this man done? I found him guilty of no capital crime. Therefore I shall have him flogged and then release him.”

N. With loud shouts, however, they persisted in calling for his crucifixion, and their voices prevailed. The verdict of Pilate was that their demand should be granted. So he released the man who had been imprisoned for rebellion and murder, for whom they asked, and he handed Jesus over to them to deal with as they wished.

As they led him away they took hold of a certain Simon, a Cyrenian, who was coming in from the country; and after laying the cross on him, they made him carry it behind Jesus. A large crowd of people followed Jesus, including many women who mourned and lamented him. Jesus turned to them and said,

† “Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me; weep instead for yourselves and for your children for indeed, the days are coming when people will say, ‘Blessed are the barren, the wombs that never bore and the breasts that never nursed.’ At that time people will say to the mountains, ‘Fall upon us!’ and to the hills, ‘Cover us!’ for if these things are done when the wood is green what will happen when it is dry?”

N. Now two others, both criminals, were led away with him to be executed.

When they came to the place called the Skull, they crucified him and the

criminals there, one on his right, the other on his left. Then Jesus said,

† “Father, forgive them, they know not what they do.”

N. They divided his garments by casting lots. The people stood by and watched; the rulers, meanwhile, sneered at him and said,

C. **“He saved others, let him save himself if he is the chosen one, the Christ of God.”**

N. Even the soldiers jeered at him. As they approached to offer him wine they called out,

C. **“If you are King of the Jews, save yourself.”**

N. Above him there was an inscription that read, “This is the King of the Jews.”

Now one of the criminals hanging there reviled Jesus, saying,

V. “Are you not the Christ? Save yourself and us.”

N. The other, however, rebuking him, said in reply,

V. “Have you no fear of God, for you are subject to the same condemnation? And indeed, we have been condemned justly, for the sentence we received corresponds to our crimes, but this man has done nothing criminal.”

N. Then he said,

V. “Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom.”

N. He replied to him,

† “Amen, I say to you, today you will be with me in Paradise.”

N. It was now about noon and darkness came over the whole land until three in the afternoon because of an eclipse of the sun. Then the veil of the temple was torn down the middle. Jesus cried out in a loud voice,

† “Father, into your hands I commend my spirit”;

N. and when he had said this he breathed his last.

*Here all kneel and pause for a short time.*

N. The centurion who witnessed what had happened glorified God and said,

V. “This man was innocent beyond doubt.”

N. When all the people who had gathered for this spectacle saw what had happened, they returned home beating their breasts; but all his acquaintances stood at a distance, including the women who had followed him from Galilee and saw these events.

Now there was a virtuous and righteous man named Joseph who, though he was a member of the council, had not consented to their plan of action. He came from the Jewish town of Arimathea and was awaiting the kingdom of God. He went to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. After he had taken the body down, he wrapped it in a linen cloth and laid him in a rock-hewn tomb in which no one had yet been buried. It was the day of preparation, and the sabbath was about to begin. The women who had come from Galilee with him followed behind, and when they had seen the tomb and the way in which his body was laid in it, they returned and prepared spices and perfumed oils. Then they rested on the sabbath according to the commandment.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

