

April 10th, 2022

Today, Palm Sunday, is traditionally celebrated in the Church at the beginning of Holy Week.

This day is called **“Palm Sunday”** or **“Passion Sunday.”**

The first comes from the fact that it commemorates the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, when the crowd received Him with palm branches (John 12:13). The second comes from the fact that the narrative of the Passion is read today, the last Sunday of Lent before the Feast of the Resurrection.

May we, despite social isolation, be united in the Spirit during the celebrations of Holy Week 2022, and may we **be able to live this Holy Week united to Jesus with our whole heart.**

The Word enlightens our prayer and reflection. Let us allow ourselves to be challenged:

First Reading (Isaiah 50:4-7): God will come to help me.

The Suffering Servant of God remains faithful to his mission, even when He is persecuted, since He fully trusts in God.

Second Reading (Philippians 2:6-11): Jesus humbled Himself and thus became our Lord

The Son of God humbled Himself to become one of us and to serve us. That is why God raised Him up and made Him Lord of all.

Proclamation of the Passion (Luke 22:14 – 23,56): Suffering and death of Jesus.

In the Passion, Luke presents Jesus as the One who came to seek and save what was lost.



Dear friends of the ACI Family, dear Sisters:

In Jesus we perceive how love for God and love for the neighbour go hand in hand, they are inseparable. Jesus' love for the Father compelled Him to make the ultimate

sacrifice for love of us. He died to carry out that mission. And in his death we have all been reborn. May this thought guide us during this Holy Week and also inspire our entire Christian life.

Jesus is the Master and the Lord, and we follow him.

May He give us strength to follow Him.

With friendship,

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