SAINT AUGUSTINE CHAPEL

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Roman Catholic & Traditional Latin Mass

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Passion Sunday; St. Patrick, BC



March 17, 2024

Schedule for Mar 2024 - May 2024	
Sun Mar 14	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Thu Mar 28	Holy Thurs Mass 6:00 PM Adoration through the night
Fri Mar 29	Mass of Presanctified & Tre Ore Noon-3:00PM
Sat Mar 30	Holy Sat Fire, Prophecies, Mass 6:15 am
Sun Mar 31	Easter Mass 9:30 am
Sun Apr 7	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Fri Apr 12	Please inquire
Sat Apr 13	Mass 11:00 am (tentative time)
Sun Apr 14	Mass 9:30 am
Sun Apr 21	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Sat Apr 27	Please inquire
Sun Apr 28	Mass 9:30 am
Sun May 5	Holy Hour 9:30 am
Thu May 9	Ascension Holy Day
Sat May 11	Mass 11:00 am (tentative time)
Sun May 12	May Crownning & Mass 9:00 am

Passion Sunday

The Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews, ix. 11-15.

Brethren: Christ, being come an high priest of the good things to come, by a greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hand, that is, not of this creation: neither by the blood of goats, or of calves, but by His own blood, entered once into the holies, having obtained eternal redemption. ...

Explanation.

St. Paul here teaches that Jesus Christ has given full satisfaction for the sins of men, and opened to all the entrance into the sanctuary. The Church proposes this epistle to us in order that we may thank God for the great mercy of the redemption, love and praise Him, and be encouraged to share in His sufferings by fasting, prayer, and penitential works.

The Holy Gospel of Jesus Christ, According to St. John, 8: 46-59. At that time Jesus said to the multitudes of the Jews: Which of you shall convict Me of sin? If I say the truth to you, why do you not believe Me? He that is of God, heareth the words of God. ...

From A Homily by St. Gregory the Pope

Let each of you, therefore, think within himself whether this voice of God sounds loudly in the ear of his heart; for thereby will he know whether he is of God. Some there are, whom it pleaseth not to hear the commandments of God, even with their bodily ears. And some there are, who receive those words with their bodily ears, but whose heart is far from them. And some also there are, who hear the words of God with joy, so that they are moved thereby even to tears. But when their fit of weeping is past they turn again to iniquity. They who despise to do the words of God certainly cannot be said to hear them. Wherefore, dearly beloved brethren, call up your own life before your mind's eye, and then ponder with trembling those awful words which the mouth of the Truth spoke: Ye therefore hear them not, because ye are not of God.

Palm Sunday

Why is this day called Palm Sunday?

- 1. In memory of the triumphant entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, when He was received by the devout people with palms.
- 2. Because the Church today blesses palms, with which a solemn procession is held.

Why are the palms blessed?

- 1. To protect in body and soul those who carry them with devotion.
- 2. To bless the dwellings into which the palms are brought.
- 3. To bring before us how God, by the entrance into Jerusalem with palms, has represented the victory of Jesus over the prince of darkness.

Instead of the gospel, the passion of Our Lord, taken from the Gospel of St. Matthew (xxvi., xxvii.), is read during the Mass. At the words, "Bowing His head, He gave up the ghost," the priest and congregation kneel and meditate for a short time on the mysterious event of the accomplishment of our redemption.

Why did Jesus enter with so much solemnity into Jerusalem?

To present Himself as the promised Messias and King of the Jews, Whose triumphant entry into Jerusalem the prophet Zachary had predicted.

Why did the people go to meet Jesus with palms in their hands?

It was done by a divine inspiration, to show that Jesus, as the victor over death, Satan, and hell,

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