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Tala-Arawan

THE DICES WEEKLY PRAYER DIARY



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April 11 to 17, 2022

Week 15

Monday to Sunday



April 11, 2022

Monday

First Reading
Isaiah 42:1-7

*Here is my servant
whom I uphold, my
chosen one with whom I
am pleased, upon whom
I have put my Spirit ...*

Monday of
Holy Week

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 27:1-3, 13-14

*The Lord is my light
and my salvation;
whom should I fear?*

Gospel Reading
John 12:1-11

(Judas Iscariot) said this not because he cared about the poor but because he was a thief and held the money bag and used to steal the contributions.

Reflection Guide Question

Why do thieves like Judas Iscariot steal, despite the trust that other people give to them?

Challenge Of The Day

Today, say a prayer for those who are victimized by thievery and other crimes.

April 12, 2022

Tuesday

First Reading
Isaiah 49:1-6

*The Lord called me
from birth; from
my mother's womb
He gave me my name.*

Tuesday of
Holy Week

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 71:1-6, 15, 17

*On you I depend
from birth; from my
mother's womb,
You are my strength.*

Gospel Reading
John 13:21-33, 36-38

“Amen, amen, I say to you, one of you will betray Me.” The disciples looked at one another, at a loss as to whom He meant.

Reflection Guide Question

Why do you think Judas Iscariot betray Jesus, and why did Jesus not prevent this betrayal?

Challenge Of The Day

Today, take a moment to reflect on the pain that Jesus felt at Judas Iscariot's coming betrayal.

April 13, 2022

Wednesday

First Reading
Isaiah 50:4-9a

*Who disputes my right?
Let him confront me.
See, the Lord God is my
help; who will prove me
wrong?*

Wednesday of
Holy Week

Gospel Reading
Matthew 26:14-25

(Judas Iscariot)
went to the chief
priests and said,
“What are you willing
to give me if I hand
him over to you?”

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 69:8-10, 21-22, 31, 33-34

*For Your sake I bear in-
sult, and shame covers
my face. ... Lord, in your
great love, answer me.*

Reflection Guide Question

When was the last time you betrayed God's love for you? Was it intentional or not? Why did you do it?

Challenge Of The Day

Today, ask God for strength to help you keep your loyalty to Him, even when it becomes difficult.

April 14, 2022

Thursday

First Reading
Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14

The Spirit of the Lord God is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me; He has sent me to bring glad tidings to the lowly ...

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 116:12-13, 15-18

"I have found David, my servant; with My holy oil I have anointed him."

Second Reading
1 Corinthians 11:23-26

"I am the Alpha and the Omega ... the one who is and who was and who is to come, the Almighty."

Holy Thursday

Triduum

Gospel Reading
John 13:1-15

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me ..."
He said to them,
"Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

Reflection Guide Question

Do you believe that Jesus fulfilled the prophecies in the Old Testament?
Why or why not?

Words of the Week

triduum

/'tri-jə-wəm/

noun



The term "triduum" originates from the Latin root words "trēs" ("three") and "diēs" ("day"). In the Catholic Church, the term refers to "the period of three days of prayer usually preceding a Roman Catholic feast".

The Paschal or Easter Triduum is the period of three days that begins with the liturgy on the evening of Maundy Thursday and ends with the evening prayer on Easter Sunday. Although comprised of three chronological days, the Easter Triduum is considered as one liturgical day.

References: *BibleRef* (2022), *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops* (2022)

vigil

/'vijəl/

noun



The word "vigil" originates from various words: from the Middle English "vigile" which means "a devotional watching", from the Latin "vigilia" which means "wakefulness" or "watch on the eve of a feast", and from the Proto-Indo-European prefix "we -" which means "to be strong, lively, awake". In Filipino, the word "vigil" is loosely translated to "pagpupuyat" or "sleeplessness at night".

Committed to Christian



vigilia

LATIN

The celebration of the Easter Vigil is considered as the "mother of all vigils". The vigil, which was originally celebrated by the Church at the morning of Holy Saturday, was shifted to after sunset by Pope Pius XII in 1951.

The Easter Vigil consists of four parts. The first part, the Service of Light, features the "rogus ardens" or the fire outside of the church, and the Paschal candle. The second part, the Liturgy of the Word, features seven Old Testament readings which tell the history of salvation. The third part, the Rite of Baptism, features the consecration of the water of baptism and renewal of baptismal vows. The last part of the vigil is the Liturgy of the Eucharist.

References: *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (2022)*, *De Solemni Vigilia Paschali Instauranda (1951)*



vigile

MIDDLE ENGLISH

April 15, 2022

Friday

First Reading
Isaiah 52:13—53:12

He was pierced for our offenses, crushed for our sins ... The LORD laid upon Him the guilt of us all.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 31:2, 6, 12-13, 15-17, 25

*Into Your hands I commend my spirit;
You will redeem me,
O Lord, O faithful God.*

Second Reading
Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9

*Son though He was,
He learned obedience
from what He
suffered ...*

Good Friday
Triduum

Gospel Reading
John 18:1—19:42

When Jesus had taken the wine, He said, "It is finished." And bowing His head, He handed over the spirit.

Reflection Guide Question

Why did Jesus need to suffer physical and emotional pain, and even to die at the cross?

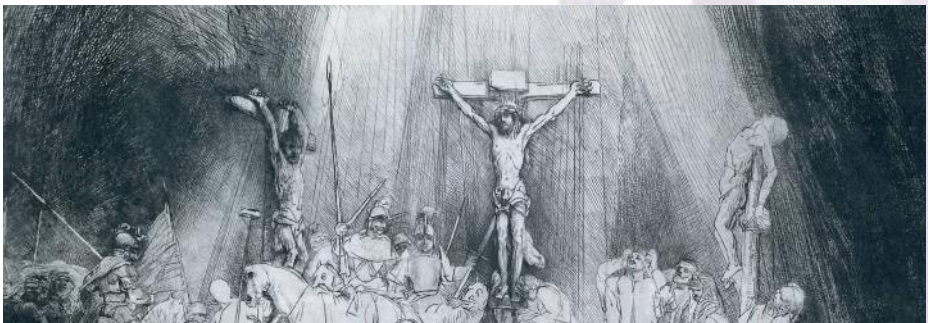
Saints of the Week

The Saints at the Passion and Death of Christ

At the foot of the cross during the first Good Friday, a few saints witnessed Christ's Passion and Death.

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Saint John the Apostle, and the "Three Marys"—Saint Mary Salome, Saint Mary Magdalene, and Saint Mary Cleopas—remained at the foot of the cross while Jesus' other companions fled.





Saint Veronica is the woman who, according to tradition, wiped Jesus' face as He was being led to Calvary.

Saint Dismas is the "good thief" who said, "Jesus, remember me, when You come into Your kingdom".

Saint Longinus is the centurion who pierced the side of Jesus and said, "Truly this man was the Son of God!"

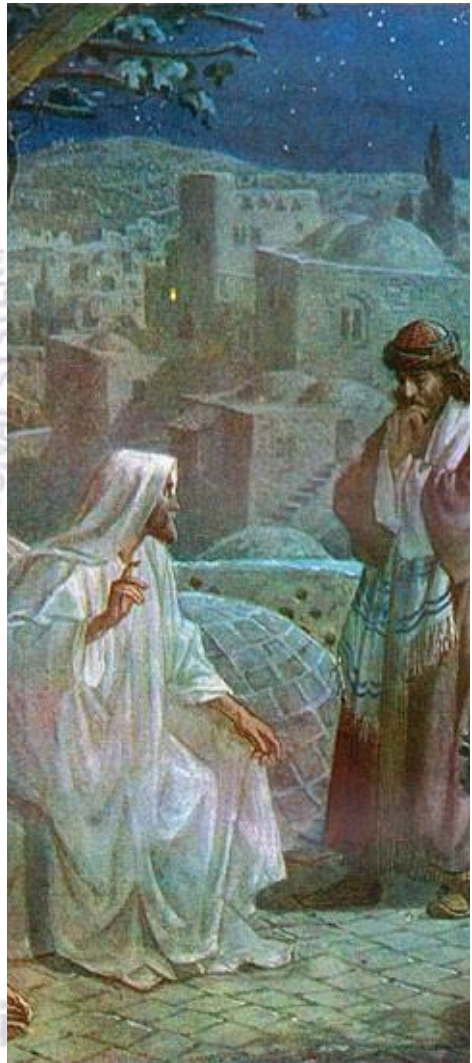
Saint Joseph of Arimathea is the man who provided the tomb that was used for Jesus' body after His death.

Saint Nicodemus is a Pharisee who believed in Jesus but only in secret and who later helped prepare Jesus for burial.

Reference: *Aleteia* (2018), *National Catholic Register* (2020)



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April 16, 2022

Saturday

First Reading
Genesis 1:1—2:2
or Genesis 1:1, 26-31a

God said, "Let there be light," and there was light. God saw how good the light was.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 104:1-2, 5-6, 10, 12-14, 24, 35
or Psalm 33:4-7, 12-13, 20, 22

Lord, send out Your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading
Genesis 22:1-18 or Genesis 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18

*(God) called to him, "Abraham!"
"Here I am," he replied.*

Holy Saturday
(Easter Vigil)

Triduum

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 16:5, 8, 9-10, 11

You will show me the path to life, fullness of joys in Your presence ...

Third Reading
Exodus 14:15—15:1

"Tell the Israelites to go forward. And you, lift up your staff and ... split the sea in two, that the Israelites may pass through it on dry land."

Responsorial Psalm
Exodus 15:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 17-18

*My strength and
my courage is the Lord,
and He has been
my savior.*

Responsorial Psalm
Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6

*Thus says the Lord:
All you who are thirsty,
come to the water!*

Fourth Reading
Isaiah 54:5-14

*Though the mountains
leave their place and the
hills be shaken, My love
shall never leave you ...*

Sixth Reading
Baruch 3:9-15, 32--4:4

*Hear, O Israel, the
commandments of life:
listen, and know
prudence!*

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13

*You changed my
mourning into dancing;
O Lord, my God, forever
will I give you thanks.*

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 19:8, 9, 10, 11

*Lord, you have
the words of
everlasting life.*

Fifth Reading
Isaiah 55:1-11

*Thus says the Lord: All
you who are thirsty,
come to the water!*

Seventh Reading
Ezekiel 36:16-17a, 18-28

*You shall be My
people, and I will
be your God.*



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 42:3, 5; 43:3, 4 or Isaiah 12:
2-3, 4bcd, 5-6 or Psalm 51:12-13,
14-15, 18-19

*Like a deer that longs
for running streams,
my soul longs for you,
my God.*

Epistle

Romans 6:3-11

*... Think of yourselves
as being dead to sin
and living for God in
Christ Jesus.*

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

*Give thanks to the Lord,
for He is good, for His
mercy endures forever.*

Holy Saturday
(Easter Vigil)

Triduum

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:1-12

"Why do you seek
the living one among
the dead? He is not
here, but He has
been raised."

Reflection Guide Question

Do you believe in
the resurrection of
Jesus Christ?
Why or why not?

Quote of the Week

This is the first Easter message: It is always possible to begin anew, because there is always a new life that God can awaken in us in spite of all our failures. From the rubble of our hearts—and each one of us knows the rubble of our hearts—God can create a work of art; from the ruined remnants of our humanity, God can prepare a new history. He never ceases to go ahead of us: in the cross of suffering, desolation and death, and in the glory of a life that rises again, a history that changes, a hope that is reborn. In these dark months of the pandemic, let us listen to the Risen Lord as He invites us to begin anew and never lose hope.





This is the second message of Easter: Faith is not an album of past memories; Jesus is not outdated. He is alive here and now. He walks beside you each day, in every situation you are experiencing, in every trial you have to endure, in your deepest hopes and dreams. He opens new doors when you least expect it, He urges you not to indulge in nostalgia for the past or cynicism about the present. Even if you feel that all is lost, please, let yourself be open to amazement at the newness Jesus brings: He will surely surprise you.

This is the third message of Easter: Jesus, the Risen Lord, loves us without limits and is there at every moment of our lives. Having made Himself present in the heart of our world, He invites us to overcome barriers, banish prejudices and draw near to those around us every day in order to rediscover the grace of everyday life. Let us recognize Him here in our Galilees, in everyday life. With him, life will change. For beyond all defeats, evil and violence, beyond all suffering and death, the Risen One lives and guides history.

—*Pope Francis*

Reference: *Easter Vigil in the Holy Night of Easter—Homily of His Holiness Pope Francis (2021)*



April 17, 2022

Sunday

First Reading
Acts 10:34a, 37-43

(Jesus) went about doing good ... for God was with him.

We are witnesses of all that He did.

Solemnity of
Easter Sunday

Gospel Reading
John 20:1-9 or Luke 24:1-12

For they did not yet understand the Scripture that He had to rise from the dead.

Responsorial Psalm
Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

*I shall not die, but live.
... This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.*

Second Reading
Colossians 3:1-4
or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

*Think of what is above,
not of what is on earth.*

Reflection Guide Question

How do you think Catholics should celebrate the solemnity of Easter Sunday?

Prayers of the Week



Christ is risen: The world below lies desolate. Christ is risen: The spirits of evil are fallen. Christ is risen: The angels of God are rejoicing. Christ is risen: The tombs of the dead are empty. Christ is risen indeed from the dead, the first of the sleepers!

Glory and power are His forever and ever!
Amen.

—*Saint Hippolytus of Rome (190-236)*

It is only right, with all the powers of our heart and mind, to praise You Father and Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

Dear Father, by Your wondrous condescension of loving kindness toward us, Your servants, You gave up Your Son.

Dear Jesus, You paid the debt of Adam for us to the Eternal Father by Your Blood poured forth in loving kindness. You cleared away the darkness of sin by Your magnificent and radiant Resurrection. You broke the bonds of death and rose from the grave as a Conqueror. You reconciled Heaven and earth.





Our life had no hope of Eternal Happiness before You redeemed us. Your Resurrection has washed away our sins, restored our innocence and brought us joy. How inestimable is the tenderness of Your Love.

We pray You, Lord, to preserve Your servants in the peaceful enjoyment of this Easter happiness. We ask this through Jesus Christ Our Lord, Who lives and reigns with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, forever and ever. Amen.

—*Saint Gregory the Great (540-604)*

Reference: *The Complete Works of Saint Hippolytus* (2016),
Aleteia (2019)

Game of the Week

Hidden Message Word Search Puzzle

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ANGELS, BURIAL, CRUCIFIXION, DEATH, EASTER,
HOLY WEEK, LENT, PASSION, RESURRECTION,
THIRD DAY, TOMB, TRIDUUM, VIGIL

-----, -----!
This puzzle is a word search that has a hidden message in it. First, find all the words in the list. Once you find all the words, copy the unused letters starting in the top left corner into the blanks to reveal the hidden message.

Last Week's Game

Cryptogram Puzzle



Each letter in the phrase has been replaced with a random letter or number.

Try to decode the message.

Z	17
Y	23
X	18
W	24
V	26
U	2
T	5
S	3
R	7
Q	15
P	19
O	9
N	11
M	6
L	13
K	20
J	14
I	4
H	25
G	1
F	10
E	22
D	16
C	21
B	8
A	12



DICES,
let us pray.