

# Children's Newsletter

## St Margaret Mary's

Luke 22:14-23:56

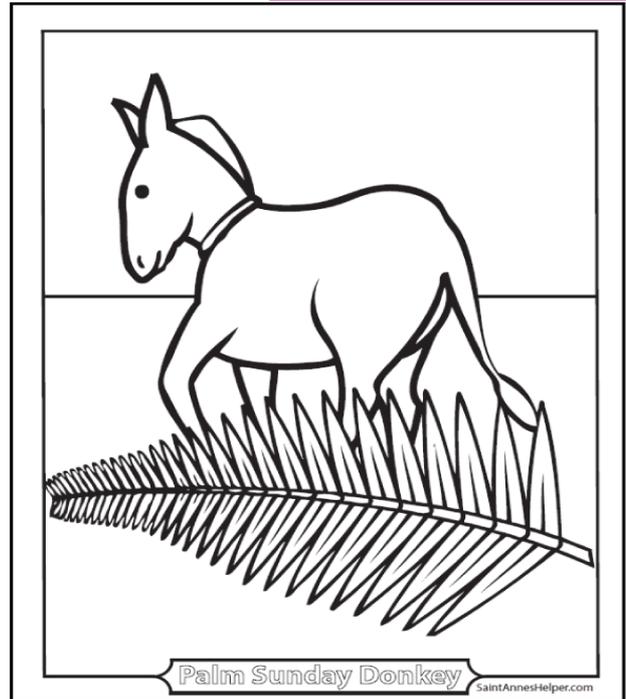
Palm Sunday

Today's Gospel is rather long because it is so important, telling us how Jesus had a special meal with his friends then went to pray in the Garden of Gethsemane. While he was there, Judas Iscariot brought soldiers to arrest him. Jesus was taken to the High Priests who sent him to the Roman Governor because they wanted him to be put to death. Peter followed and told everyone who asked that he did not know Jesus. He denied him three times.

Pilate gave in to the shouting crowds and Jesus was taken to a place called Calvary where he was crucified.

Palm Sunday's Gospel tells us about the Last Supper and how he broke the bread and shared the wine among his friends and told them to do the same in memory of him. This is what the priest does every time he says Mass.

Today is the start of **Holy Week**.



### Palms

You may have made palms for today and you will have seen the palm crosses that everyone picked up at the back of the church. They remind us that when Jesus entered Jerusalem to spend Passover there, crowds came out to greet him. They waved palms and shouted greetings to Jesus.

However, it wasn't too long before these same crowds were shouting that they wanted Jesus to die.



### Maundy Thursday

On the night before his death Jesus had a final meal with his friends. Before this festival meal for the Passover,

Jesus surprised his friends by washing the feet of every person, a task that was normally done by a servant. He wanted to show his followers that they should all love one another in humble ways.

Maundy Thursday is the start of the 3 special days of Holy Week.

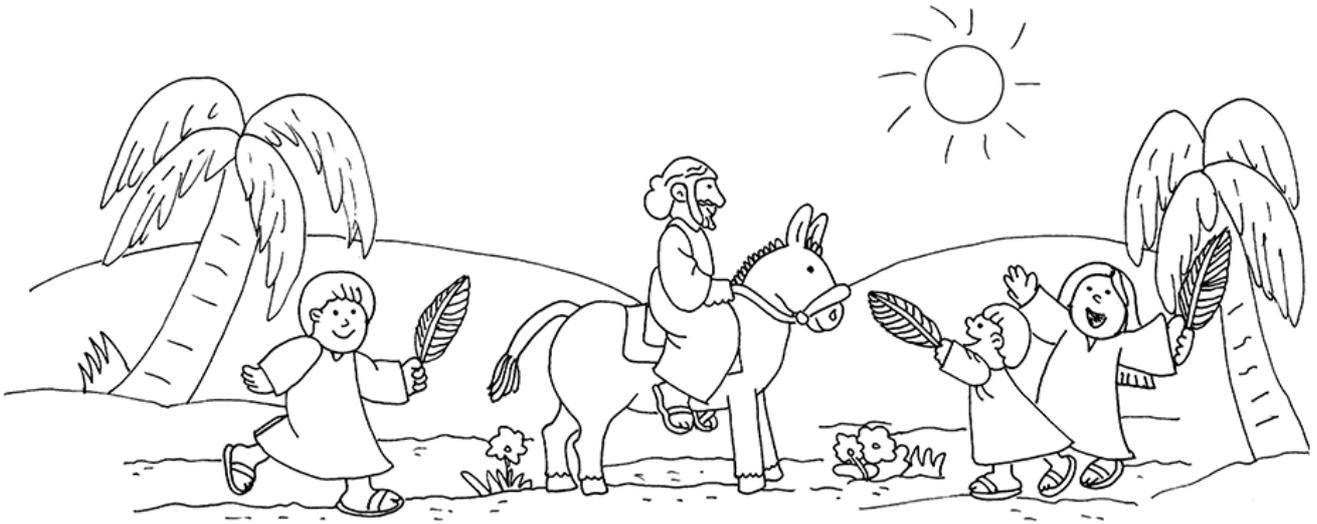
They are called the **Triduum**, which means 3 days.

The service on Thursday will remind us of the Last Supper. We will be reminded that we should love one another as Jesus told us to.

At the end of the service the host will be placed in the tabernacle in the Lady Chapel until the first Service of Easter because Mass is not celebrated on Good Friday. This is the only day in the year when Mass is not said.



## The Triumphal Entry

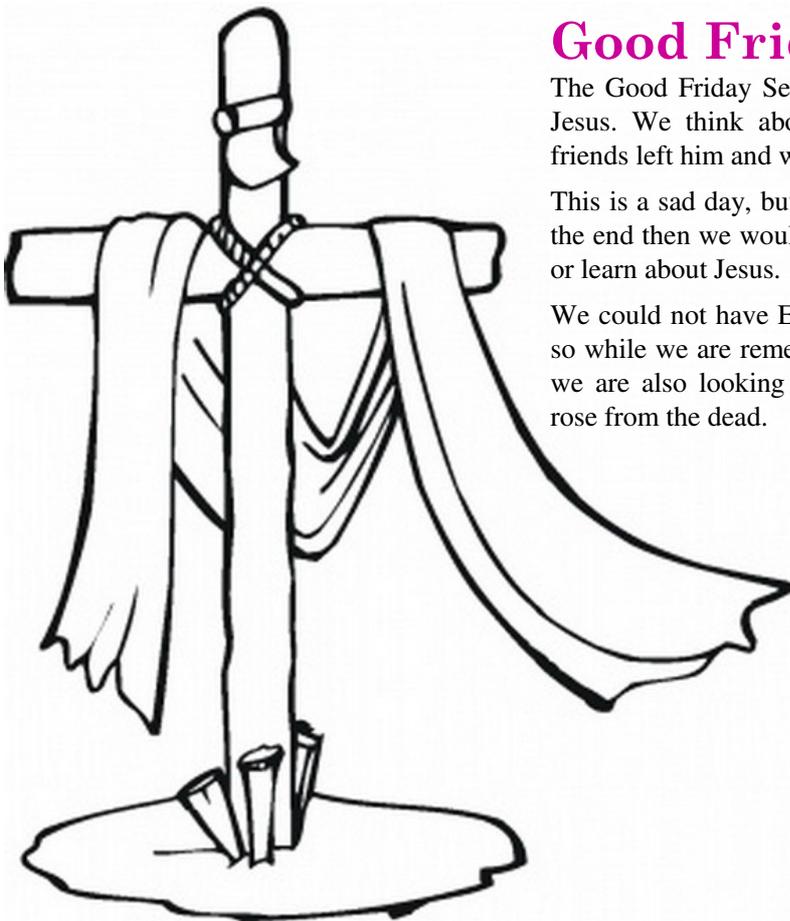


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BLESSED IS HE THAT COMES IN  
THE NAME OF THE LORD!

HOSANNA IN THE HIGHEST!

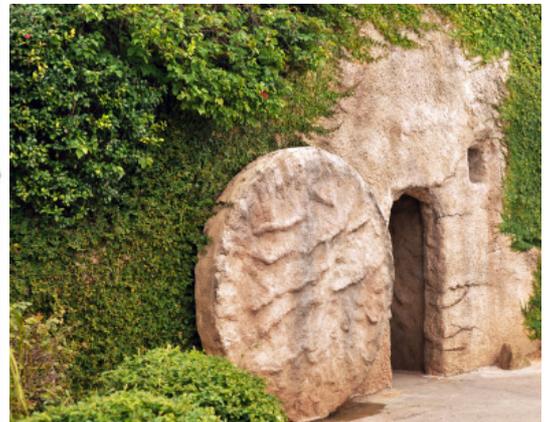


## Good Friday

The Good Friday Service tells us the story of the death of Jesus. We think about how he must have felt when his friends left him and when people treated him badly.

This is a sad day, but it is not the end of the story. If it was the end then we would not bother to go to Mass on Sundays or learn about Jesus.

We could not have Easter without first having Good Friday so while we are remembering the death of Jesus on this day we are also looking forward to his Resurrection, when he rose from the dead.



Jesus was buried in a tomb cut from the rock