

Are you listening?

Before the talking comes the listening, at least for the Servant of the Lord in today's lesson from Isaiah.

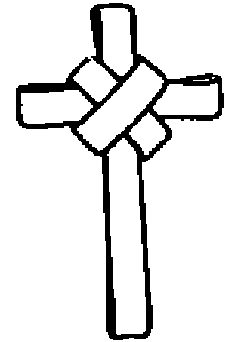
And the Servant of the Lord gives a **GOOD-HEARTED, HANDSOME REPLY.**

To find what he says, rearrange the letters:

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Our Old Testament Lesson today is the third of four 'songs' in the book of Isaiah describing the fate of someone called 'the servant of the Lord' from different perspectives: Isaiah 42:1-9 (God's plan) and Isaiah 49:1-7 (the Servant's perspective) were Lessons in the Epiphany season, and Isaiah 52:13-53:12 (the view of the people) will be read on Good Friday.

Youth Bulletin



Palm Sunday / Passion Sunday

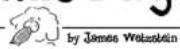
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On this Sunday we remember the last days of Jesus' life, from his triumphant reception by the people of Jerusalem to his death on the cross, when everybody has turned their backs on him.

Today's lessons:

- Mark 11:1-11** In the Processional Gospel we reenact how the people celebrated Jesus, when he came to Jerusalem. Playing the people of Jerusalem poses the question: will we also act like them, when it comes to the crucifixion?
- Isaiah 50:4-9a** The Servant of the Lord, sent to teach the people about God, comes to grips with the fact that his mission seems to have little success and people abuse him instead. But he knows he's doing God's work and it's all up to God.
- Psalms 31:9-16** Left alone by neighbours and friends and his life threatened, the person in this psalm wonders whether his life has any meaning. This resembles closely Jesus' own fate.
- Philippians 2:5-11** Paul uses an early Christian hymn, describing Christ's way from Heaven to the cross and back again. Only because Christ did not insist on any privileges God made him the ruler of all.
- Mark 14:1-15:47** Like all of the four gospels, Mark culminates in the account of the Passion of Jesus Christ; this is what the life of Jesus leads to and what it aimed at from the beginning, the fulfilment of his mission.

Agnus Day



by James Wetstein

I WONDER IF ANY OF THESE PEOPLE WITH PALM BRANCHES SAW GOOD FRIDAY COMING.

NOT LIKELY.

AND IF THEY DID, THEY WOULD HAVE SEEN IT AS A DEFEAT - NOTHING "GOOD" ABOUT IT.

WELL, YOU KNOW WHAT THEY SAY: "SOMETIMES YOU CAN'T SEE THE MESSIAH FOR THE PALM BRANCHES."

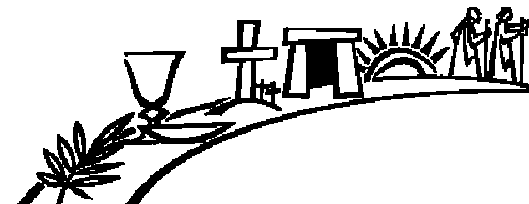


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JOHN 12:12-16

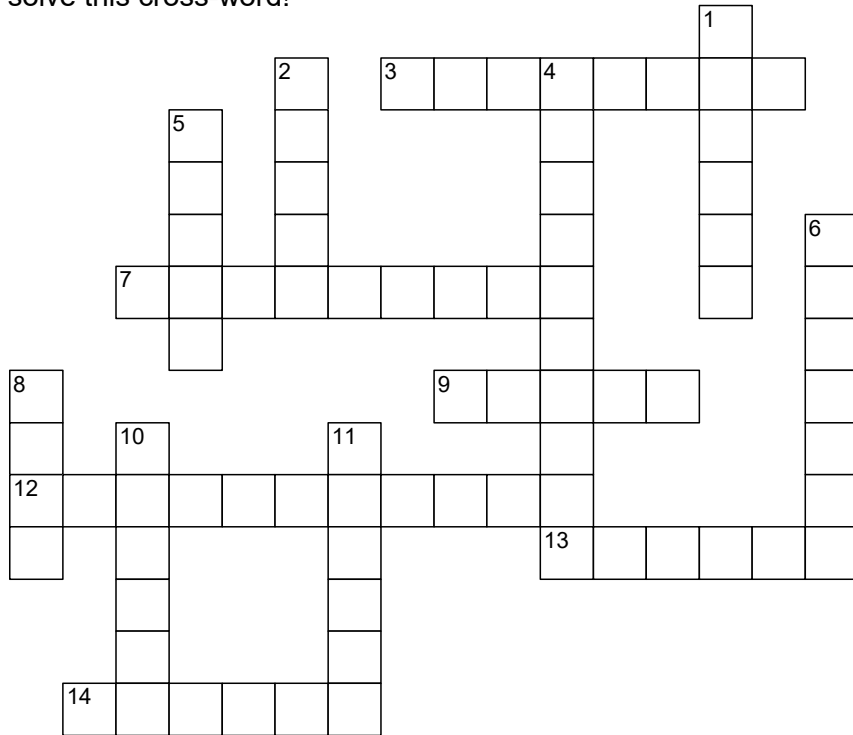
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Cross-Word Passion

Listen carefully to the reading of the Passion story today, then solve this cross-word!



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Across

- 3 name of the place where Jesus was crucified
- 7 a murderer whom the people prefer to Jesus
- 9 name of the man who carried Jesus' cross
- 12 ancient method of execution
- 13 when Jesus cries "My God!" people think he is crying out to this prophet
- 14 big building complex in Jerusalem where Jews went for religious festivals

Down

- 1 Jesus' crown was made from these
- 2 claimed not to know Jesus
- 4 garden where Jesus prayed
- 5 gave Jesus away
- 6 the king God promised his people for the end times
- 8 bird who reminded Peter of his betrayal
- 10 colour of the cloak the soldiers put on Jesus
- 11 the governor who questioned Jesus

Follow his example !

Our Lesson from Philippians today reminds us to model ourselves after Jesus Christ. And once you've found the words from that lesson here, the first 25 of the remaining letters tell you what was so great about him!

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| CROSS | EXPLOITED | KNEE | SAME |
| DEATH | FATHER | LIKENESS | SLAVE |
| EARTH | FORM | LORD | TONGUE |

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