

Our Call to Face Down Evil

We come to the holiest week of the year. This week, Christians around the world dedicate their minds and hearts to meditate on the great gift of the redemption won for them by Christ. It is a cosmic event that happened 2,000 years ago but it bears fruit today in the heart of every Christian in every continent, country, city, and home.

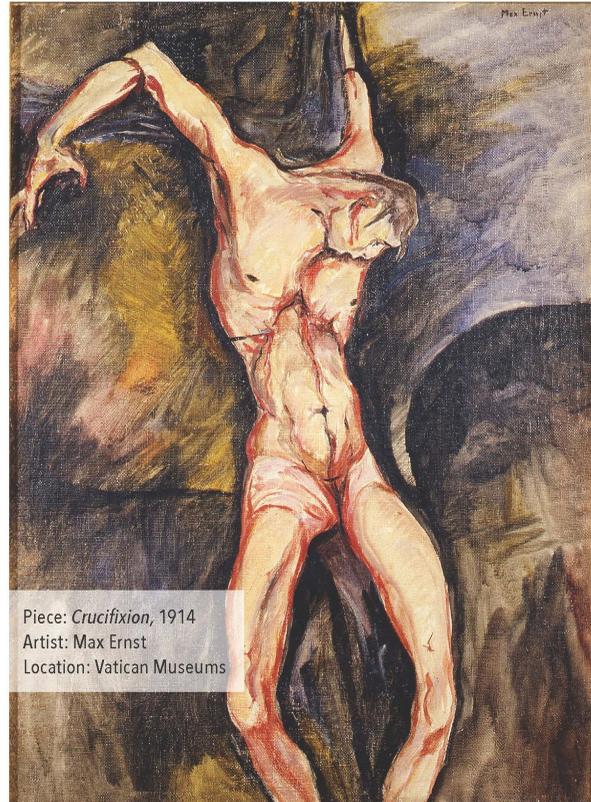
Max Ernst shows the crucifixion in cosmic, timeless dimension by placing the crucified Christ in a dark, tumultuous, and formless setting. The sinister colors of blue, brown, yellow, and black seem to hide a face or perhaps a masked and darkened eye on the right that peers through the evil canvas.

As chaotic and nonsensical as evil appears in our world, it also seems to have a commonality that betrays a will or an intelligence hidden beneath the surface. The suffering and destruction of so many people from senseless violence, famine, and hatred seems at once both spontaneous, yet strangely orchestrated by some force.

The same was true for Christ's crucifixion. On the surface it appears the result of a feverish crowd, a confused politician, a jealous and blinded religious leadership, and an overwhelmed group of cowardly followers. Yet we perceive the return of the tempter, Lucifer, the author of the *non serviam*.

The power of evil that struck the head continues to strike the body. Be aware of the call for all followers of Jesus to be ready to face the same struggle against evil that he did, and with the same measure of love.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Crucifixion*, 1914
 Artist: Max Ernst
 Location: Vatican Museums

For Reflection

*What extra time will you take to be with your Lord who suffers for you?
 How can you show your love to him in a special way this week?*

*They crucified him and the criminals there....Then Jesus said,
 "Father, forgive them, they know not what they do."*

Luke 23:33-34

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April 14, 2019

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion

Weekend Masses

Weekday Masses

Saturday 5:00 pm

Mon.- Fri. 5:30 pm

Sunday 10:30 am

Reconciliation is on Saturday from 4:15 to 4:45 or by appointment. Please contact Fr. Innocent for any other sacraments or funerals.

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Sunday Mass 1:30 PM

Date	Readers	Collection	Gift Bearers	Eucharistic Ministers	Coffee & Snacks
Apr. 7	Andrew Cassidy Deedee Lepine	Darm Crook Jason Morissey	Eva & Merv Templeton	Suzanne Bouchard Doug Swallow Bea Lepine	Kelly Lizardo Julie Bordey
Apr. 14	Doris Coudron Sheila Ryan-Hachey TBA	Paul Delorey Pete Boden	Gagnon Family	Marie Kopp-van Egteren Andrew Cassidy Theresa Swallow	Debbie Whittle Anna Crosman Denise Desjarlais
Apr. 21	Ruth Boden Sancie Gostick	Darm Crook Gerry Egteren	De Vera Family	Deedee Lepine Tony Whittle Doug Swallow	Easter Sunday — POTLUCK EVERYONE
Apr. 28	Shanelle Moore Amelie Stephen Sophia Brito Shayla Moore	Medric Stephen Lennox Moore	Shanelle Shayla Lennox	Shirley Gutierrez Marie Kopp-van Egteren Suzanne Bouchard	TBA

The Announcement for Palm Sunday of lent; April 14, 2019

- We are always delighted to welcome each and everyone who has come to worship with us here at Assumption parish. If you're a new member, please take time to introduce yourself to the pastor and fill out a registration form found at the bulletin board at the entrance of the church.
- With the celebration of the Palm Sunday today, we have entered Holy Week period. It is a time we reflect more deeply on the mysteries of God's love made manifest in the passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. It is a time we reflect also on the love Christ lavished upon us by accepting to die a shameful death on the cross in order to free us from sin and death.
- The schedule for our celebrations this weekend include:
 - **Holy Thursday;** Mass of Passover: Time 7:00pm
 - **Good Friday;** Commemoration of the passion of the Lord; Time: 3:00pm
 - **Holy Saturday,** Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord; Time:9:00pm
- We will be having an ecumenical service of the passion on Friday; it will begin at the Pentecostal church by 10:00AM and then with a procession, carrying the big community cross, we will assemble at the Anglican church, Saint Andrew's for the services. The service itself begins by 10:30am. All are invited to attend.
- Please we are requesting for volunteer readers for all the liturgical celebrations during the Holy week. If you would like to volunteer as a reader, please, sign up at the sign-up sheet at the foyer.
- We are requesting donation of flowers for Easter Sunday Celebration. Flowers may be dropped off at the church on Saturday, April 20, or contact Sister Maggie, Shirley or Anna to arrange for pick up.
- The CWL devotional rosary for the sick and the needy every Tuesday is still ongoing. More members are encouraged to participate and the time is 11:30am. Communion to the sick and home bound: Do you know of anyone who is sick and/or home bound and would like to be visited and given communion by the church, please let us know.

Rachel's Corner

"Oh, my soul, you are not alone. There's a place where fear has to face the God you know. One more day, He will make a way. Let Him show you how, you can lay this down, 'cause you're not alone."

- Lyrics "Oh my Soul" by Casting Crowns

Have you ever thought about what that would feel like to be able to lay it down? To be free of the shame, regret and pain you have been living with since the day of your abortion? You are not alone. He will make a way, and He will show you how. Come join us on a Rachel's Vineyard™ Retreat.

Weekly Revenue

\$1,158.75 Collection

Hall Rental

\$1,158.75 Revenue Total

\$1,831.00 Expenses Total

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Expenses are based on 2018 Q1

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Calendar

Monday
APRIL 15
Holy Weekday
Is 42:1-7
Jn 12:1-11

Tuesday
APRIL 16
Holy Weekday
Is 49:1-6
Jn 13:21-33, 36-38

Wednesday
APRIL 17
Holy Weekday
Is 50:4-9a
Mt 26:14-25

Thursday
APRIL 18
Holy Thursday
Ex 12:1-8, 11-14
1 Cor 11:23-26
Jn 13:1-15

Friday
APRIL 19
Good Friday
Is 52:13-53:12
Heb 4:14-16; 5:7-9
Jn 18:1-19:42

Saturday
APRIL 20
Holy Saturday
Gn 1:1-2:2
or Gn 1:1, 26-31a
Gn 22:1-18
or Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18
Ex 14:15-15:1
Is 54:5-14
Is 55:1-11
Bar 3:9-15, 32-4:4
Ez 36:16-17a, 18-28
Rom 6:3-11
Lk 24:1-12

Sunday
APRIL 21
Easter
Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Col 3:1-4
or 1 Cor 5:6b-8
Jn 20:1-9

Dear Padre,

I was recently diagnosed with cancer. When I think about death now, I get scared. The crucifixion and death of Jesus, surrounded by dark skies, earthquakes, and opening tombs, adds to my fright. Any words of encouragement?

Transitions in life are always a bit frightening, and the transition of our dying and rising can be the scariest of them all. When we were tiny infants in our mother's womb, we transitioned into life. We were not conscious of what we were doing, and so we were not scared. We were in God's hands. And God, who creates all life, brought us to be born and live.

The same challenge faces you now as when you were in the womb. Even though you are conscious of your sickness and your possible death, you are still asked to leave it all in the hands of God. God, who brought you to life, will travel with you through your dying and into the kingdom. Jesus certainly showed us how to do this with his prayer during his crucifixion: "Father, into your hands I commend my spirit" (Luke 23:46).



People who have had near-death experiences do not talk about how scary and frightening it was. In fact, they speak about how peaceful and full of light the journey was for them. Most hated the idea of "returning" to their sick bodies. This same journey of peace and light, and the sense of God's close presence to you, can be yours in your last moments here.

Trust in God. Commend your spirit to God's care. God loves you! God will keep you safe and lead you home!

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A Word from Pope Francis

Let us ask for the grace to follow Jesus faithfully, not in words but in deeds. Let us also ask for the patience to carry our own cross, not to refuse it or set it aside, but rather, in looking to him, to take it up and to carry it daily.

—Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017



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