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### THE DAYS OF HOLY WEEK.

This week is called Holy Week because it is the week of our Lord's great suffering and death. It should be kept with quietness and much prayer.

**Sunday.**—This day is commonly called Palm Sunday, because it was on it that our Lord made His triumphal entry into Jerusalem, and the people strewed branches of palm trees in his way (John xii. 12-20).

**Monday.**—Jesus curses the barren fig-tree, drives the buyers and sellers out of the Temple. The Chief Priests and Scribes take council against Him (Mark xi. 12-20).

**Tuesday.**—Jesus teaches in the Temple; answers the questions of His enemies; speaks many parables; denounces woe on the Scribes and Pharisees; foretells the destruction of Jerusalem (Mark xi. 20 to end, xii. xiii.).

**Wednesday.**—Jesus foretells His betrayal. The Chief Priests agree with Judas for thirty pieces of silver (Luke xxii. 1-7).

**Maundy-Thursday.**—The Last Supper. Jesus washes the Disciples' feet; gives the sop to Judas, and warns Peter. He institutes the Sacrament of the Holy Communion (Matt. xxvi. 17-31). He comforts the Disciples, promising the Holy Ghost. He prays to His Father (John xiv.-xvii.). In the Garden of Gethsemane He is in agony; His bloody sweat. Judas betrays Him with a kiss. He is taken; forsaken by all the Disciples; led before the High Priest; denied by Peter; condemned to death (Matt. xxvi. 48 to end).

This day is called Maundy-Thursday because our Lord then gave His great mandates or commandments that His

Disciples should love one another as He had loved them, and that they should "do this" (that is celebrate the Holy Eucharist) in remembrance of Him (John xiii. 34 and Luke xxii. 19).

**Good Friday.**—(6. a.m.)—Jesus is brought before Pilate and examined; sent to Herod, mocked, arrayed in a "gorgeous" or shining robe and sent back to Pilate (Luke xxiii 11); Barabbas is preferred before Him. The scourging; the purple or "scarlet" robe; the crown of thorns; the reed; the spitting, smiting, and mockery. He is given over to death, and led to crucifixion bearing the cross (Matt. xxvii. 1-34).

(9 a.m.)—Jesus is crucified between two thieves. The soldiers part His garments and cast lots. He is reviled. The penitent thief. The seven sayings on the cross. They give Him vinegar and gall.

(12 noon)—The sun is darkened.

(3 p.m.)—Jesus dies. The veil of the Temple is rent in twain. The graves are opened. His side is pierced. Blood and water flow from it (Luke xxiii. 33-50; John xix. 31-38).

Joseph and Nicodemus take His body from the cross, and lay it in a new tomb (Matt. xxvii. 57-61).

**Saturday.**—Easter Even—The rest of the Sabbath; the guard of soldiers; The Lord's body lies in the sepulchre; His soul is with the departed (Luke xxiii. 50 to end; 1 Peter iii. 18, 19).

Thus the Church would have us follow Him day by day throughout this Holy Week, that being made like Him in life we may also be "buried with Him; and that through the grave and gate of death, we may pass to our joyful resurrection" (Collect for Easter-Even).

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