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Palm Sunday

March 29th, 2026

Entrance Hymn: #32 All Glory, Laud, and Honour

Mass XVII: Booklet p. 19; Angelus p. 1888; Baronius p. xviii

Credo I: Booklet p. 21; Angelus p. 1892; Baronius p. xxii

Recessional Hymn: #38 O Sacred Head

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A Homily on Our Lord, Continued

Accordingly, the Son came to the servant; not that the Son might be presented by the servant, but that by the Son the servant might present to His Lord Priesthood and Prophecy, to be laid up with Him. For prophecy and priesthood, which were given through Moses, were handed down, both of them, and reached to Simeon. For he was a pure vessel, who sanctified himself that he might be like Moses, capable for both of them. There are small vessels which are capable for great gifts. There are gifts for which one is capable, by reason of their grace; yet many are not capable for them, by reason of their greatness. Thus, then, Simeon presented our Lord, and in Him offered both these things; so that that which was given to Moses in the wilderness, was received from Simeon in the Temple. But seeing that our Lord is the vessel wherein all fullness dwells, when Simeon was offering Him before God, he poured over Him (as a drink-offering) those two (gifts), priesthood from His hands and prophecy from His lips. Priesthood continued on the hands of Simeon, because of his purifications; and prophecy dwelt in operation upon his lips, because of revelations. When then these two powers saw Him who was Lord of both, they two united together and poured themselves into the vessel that was capable of both; that could contain priesthood and kingdom and prophecy. That Infant then, who was wrapped in swaddling clothes, because of His graciousness, clothed Himself in priesthood and prophecy because of His Majesty. For Simeon clothed Him in these, and gave Him to her who had wrapped Him in swaddling clothes. For when he gave Him to His mother, he gave along with Him the priesthood; and when he prophesied to her concerning Him, *This child is set for the fall and rising again*, (Lu. 2:34) he gave prophecy also with Him. Then Mary received her firstborn and went forth. He was outwardly wrapped in swaddling clothes, but secretly He was clothed with prophecy and priesthood. Whatsoever then was handed down from Moses, was received from Simeon, but continued and was possessed by the Lord of both. So then the steward first, and the treasurer lastly, handed over the keys of priesthood and prophecy to Him who has authority over the treasurer of them both. Therefore, His Father gave Him the spirit not by measure, because all measures of the spirit are under his hand. And that our Lord might show that He received the keys from the former stewards, He said to Simeon: *To you I will give the keys of the doors*. (Matt. 16:19) But how should He have given them to another, had He not received them from another? So, then, the keys which He had received from Simeon the priest, them He gave to another Simeon the Apostle; that even though the People had not hearkened to the former Simeon, the Gentiles might hearken to the latter Simeon.

But because John also was the treasurer of baptism, the Lord of the stewardship came to him to receive from him the keys of the house of reconciliation. For John used to wash away in common water the blemishes of sins; that bodies might become meet for the garment of the Spirit, given by our Lord. Therefore, because the Spirit was with the Son, He came to John to receive from him baptism, that He might mingle with the visible waters the invisible Spirit; that they whose bodies should feel the moistening of the water, their souls should feel the gift of the Spirit; that even as the bodies outwardly feel the pouring of the water upon them, so the souls inwardly may feel the pouring of the Spirit upon them. Accordingly, even as our Lord when He was baptism and carried baptism with Him, so also when He was presented in the Temple, He put on prophecy and priesthood, and went forth bearing the purity of the priesthood upon His pure members, and bearing the words of prophecy in His wondrous ears. For when Simeon was sanctifying the body of the Child who sanctifies all, that body received the priesthood in its sanctification. And again, when Simeon was prophesying over Him, prophecy quickly entered the hearing of the Child. For if John leaped in the womb and perceived the voice of the Mother of our Lord, how much more should our Lord have heard in the Temple? For lo! It was because of Him that John knew so as to hear in the womb. Accordingly, each one of the gifts that was stored up for the Son, He gathered from their true tree. For He received baptism from the Jordan, even though John still after Him used to priesthood from the Temple, even though Annas the High Priest exercised it. And again, He received prophecy which had been handed down among the righteous, even though by it

Caiaphas in mockery platted a crown for our Lord, and He received the kingdom from the house of David, even though Herod held the place and exercised it.

This is He Who flew and came down from on high; and when all those gifts which He had given to those of old time saw Him, they came flying from every quarter and rested on Him their Giver. For they gathered themselves together from every side, to come and be grafted into their natural tree. For they had been grafted into bitter trees, namely into wicked kings and priests. Therefore they hastened to come to their sweet parent-stock; namely to the Godhead Who in sufficiency came down to the people of Israel, that the parts of Him might be gathered to Him. And when He received of them that which was His own, that which was not His own was rejected; since for the sake of His own He had borne also with that which was not His own. For He bore with the idolatry of Israel, for the sake of His priesthood; and He bore with its diviners, for the sake of His prophets; and He bore with its wicked dominion, for the sake of His holy crown.

But when our Lord took to Himself Priesthood from them, He sanctified by it all the Gentiles. And again, when He took to Himself prophecy, He revealed by it His counsels to all nations. And when he wove His crown, He bound the strong One who takes all men captive, and divides his spoils. These gifts were barren, with the fig-tree, which while it was barren of fruit made barren such glorious powers as these. Therefore as being without fruit, it was cut off, that these gifts might pass forth from it and bring forth fruit abundantly among all the Gentiles. So He, Who came to make our bodies abodes for His indwelling, passed by all those dwelling-places. Let each one of us then be a dwelling-place for Him Who loves me. Let us come to Him and make our abode with Him. This is the Godhead Whom though all creation cannot contain, yet a lowly and humble soul suffices to receive Him.

*St. Ephraim the Syrian, Homily (Excerpts)
Trans. A. Edward Johnston*



Announcements

There will be a social after the 12:30 Mass on April 12th & 26th.

Just a friendly reminder: Any political activities, and the signing of petitions are not allowed in the Catholic churches and properties of the Catholic Archdiocese of Edmonton.

Our donation receipts have been mailed; If you have not received yours, please let us know.

The Wednesday Catechesis will cover the Holy Week Liturgy 7pm at Assumption; and Friday sessions will resume after Easter.

Upcoming Holy Week Schedule: (April 2nd -5th)	
Holy Thursday:	7pm Mass with adoration to Midnight at Resurrection Church
Good Friday:	12 Noon Way of the Cross at Assumption Church 3 pm Passion Liturgy at Resurrection Church
Sat. Confessions:	8am-10am at Assumption Church (no evening confessions) 10am blessing of Easter food at Assumption Church
Sat. Easter Vigil:	10:30pm at Assumption Church
Easter Sunday:	7:30am (Low), 12:30 (Sung); There will be no 4:30pm Mass

For the full list of announcements for the Archdiocese of Edmonton, see caedm.ca/window/

Mass Calendar

Date & Feast*	Mass times	Church Mass Intention	Chapel Mass Int'n ①
Sunday, March 29th Palm Sunday (I Cl)	7:30 am Low Mass 12:30 pm Sung Mass 4:30 pm Low Mass	EM & family by MCM M H by C P Private Intention	
Monday, March 30th Monday of Holy Week (I Cl)	7:30 am Low Mass	BH by JH	D E T † by V P
Tuesday, March 31st Tuesday of Holy Week (I Cl)	7:30 am Low Mass	C B by P J B	LF by PA
Wednesday, April 1st Wednesday of Holy Week (I Cl)	7:30 am Low Mass	LF by PA	C B by P J B
Thursday, April 1st Holy Thursday (I Cl)	7 pm Sung Mass at Resurrection with Adoration 'till Midnight	VGC priests by JK	
Friday, April 2nd Good Friday (I Cl)	Noon Stations at Assumption 3 pm Liturgy at Resurrection		
Saturday, April 3rd Holy Saturday (I Cl)	10:30 pm Easter Vigil at Assumption	Forgotten souls in purgatory by P J B	
Sunday, April 4th Easter Sunday (I Cl)	7:30 am Low Mass 12:30 pm Sung Mass No 4:30 pm Mass		

* All Masses are at Assumption Church, except for the Sunday 4 pm Mass at St. Edmund's Church.

The Sacrament of Confession is available before & after all Masses & on Saturdays from **7-8 pm** on at Assumption Church.