

St. Patrick Catholic Church, Mount Dora, FL

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - 4/13/2025

Notes for Palm Sunday

There will be a simple entrance procession.

There will be at least 3 Altar Servers for each Mass. They are to receive pre-coaching on their tasks from either Susan Engle or the Deacons.

Ushers will distribute unblessed palms at each entrance as folks enter the Church.

The Presider and Deacon will bless the palms (by walking around) at the start of Mass.

There will not be a procession by all parishioners into the Church as was done some years back.

Michael Orola will provide the RED PASSION BOOKS for the Passion readings.

[Link to script of the Mass.](#)

For the Sacristans

The Palms will be stored in bundles of 100 in the kitchen and office refrigerators.

At least 30 minutes prior to Mass start, and using the past few weeks headcount average plus 25%, then round to a hundred, place enough bundles of 100 on the kitchen table for the ushers to distribute.

Place two filled Holy Water buckets and broom sprinklers (aspersorium & aspergillum) next to the Deacon's chair on the Altar. The Presider will have

to “bless” the Holy Water (Baptismal Font is emptied. The votive candles are removed.)

As you see fit, add approximately 25% extra hosts to the Mass’s headcount for later arrivals.

For 10:30 AM only, prepare incense for the Presider to bless the Altar & Gifts prior to Consecration. The Deacon will incense the parishioners.

Coordinate with the EMHC Captain to accommodate if there is a second Priest or Deacon that is not on the MSP schedule. Place a 4th chair on the Altar if needed.

