

PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION – 10 April

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

All who see me deride me.

They curl their lips, they toss their heads.

'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;

let him release him if this is his friend.'

Contemplate Christ's Passion, and think how he felt as people mocked him.

Have we in any way belittled someone for their beliefs or attitudes?

Many dogs have surrounded me,

a band of the wicked beset me.

They tear holes in my hands and my feet

I can count every one of my bones.

Try to share in how Christ experienced the physical suffering of his crucifixion ?

Are we concerned for those who suffer pain inflicted by the cruelty of other human beings

They divide my clothing among them.

They cast lots for my robe.

O Lord, do not leave me alone,

my strength, make haste to help me!

How do we understand the humiliation Christ went through being stripped of his garments?

Are we in solidarity with people who are oppressed and downtrodden by others in today's world?

I will tell of your name to my brethren

and praise you where they are assembled.

'You who fear the Lord give him praise;

all sons of Jacob, give him glory.

Revere him, Israel's sons.

Faced with suffering or any trouble, like Christ on the cross do we call on God?

Is our ultimate trust firmly in the God who never forsakes us?

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