

Dear Families,

We are about to enter a Holy Week like no other. We have a holy opportunity to celebrate it at home in a way that is personal and age-appropriate for our family members. Thank you to Deb Hilterbrand, one of our Children's Liturgy teachers, for putting together the attached resource for families. It provides some great resources for celebrating Palm Sunday including a Lenten pretzel recipe (did you know the pretzel represents arms folded in prayer?), a link to a Sunday gospel video, a coloring book of the passion story, and a craft.

St. Ignatius Church is also encouraging all parishioners to hang greenery on their front doors or in their windows for Palm Sunday. This could be a homemade paper palm or a piece of real greenery. It's a way to communally acknowledge this important day even though we are not physically together.

This weekend there are a couple opportunities for virtual connections:

Mom's Group – 9:15-10:15 a.m. – Discussing “Doing Justice & Walking Humbly with Kids” – contact me for Zoom login

Children's Liturgy of the Word with Nathan Williams – 10:30-11:00 a.m. – remember to cut out a “palm” (hand print) from recycled magazines or other paper

Link is here:

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/294192510?pwd=U3VxNEFVK0d1eGMwRVk0M2g2ZUxYUT09>

Meeting ID: 294 192 510

Password: 177337

Please feel free to “share back” any photos or written highlights about how you celebrate Palm Sunday at home. We love to add photos or comments to our bulletin or website and while we can't see each other in person, this is a fun way to still see what's happening. By the way, the www.sipdx.org website is full of information right now for faith resources and the weekly bulletin is shared there as well.

Blessings on your families and may you stay healthy, resilient, and creative.

Warmly,

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