

Lectio Divina

- **Read and re-read**, out loud and slowly the Gospel
 - **Meditate** on reading as being spoken to you, an experience in your life
 - **Pray** - Thanksgiving - Repentance - Petition
 - **Action** - Attitude (Call to change / to act / to do)
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April 9th 2017 6th Sunday in Lent Palm Sunday - Year A - Matthew 21:1 - 11

In this week's gospel we see the entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. Jesus chooses to enter into Jerusalem according to his own value system which was humility and with no airs and graces. He chooses a donkey rather than a throne or decorative carriage. Those who came out to meet Him shouted "Blessings on Him who comes in the name of the Lord." Jesus was aware of the true reality of the moment He was on his way to Calvary. As He lived and moved under the shadow of pain and death He did so willingly and lovingly. When are the times we have welcomed someone into our community or parish group in the name of the Lord? Are there times when just because we do not agree with someone or do not like them, we failed to reach out and welcome them?

Prayer:

Thank you for the times that you sent us someone who transformed our lives. We felt great joy like the people when they saw Jesus entering their city. We welcomed this person who came in the name of The Lord.

Forgive us for the times we put our trust in money and high living rather than being like Jesus concerned only with the will of his Father in heaven.

Jesus help all nations that are suffering from civil war. Send them leaders who will come as humbly as Jesus did proclaiming peace for their nations.

