

Homily Notes for reflection Palm & Passion Sunday Year B 2024

This Sunday Jesus asks you to join him on his journey through the last hours of his life. Walk with him through the Gospel. Relate to each of the different moments that speak of the struggles and challenges that you also face in life. Allow Jesus to speak to you in a way that is applicable to you and in a way that you understand.

Focus on the helplessness Jesus must have felt at times. Relate to his sense of being abandoned to the times in your life when you feel abandoned. Most of all be present to his suffering and discover that he is always present to your suffering.

One of Jesus' biggest challenges was the knowledge that he had the power to walk away at any time – he didn't.

Reflections on the Dark Night of the soul suggest that unless you persevere through the times of abandonment, of helplessness, of emptiness, and absence of God's presence and support, you will never experience the true joy of the resurrection. A harder realisation is that this experience may not happen on Easter Sunday but you are urged to stay with it and persevere so that when it does, it will flood your life with an overpowering light and a wonderful peace that Jesus wants for you and for us all.

Journey with Christ and know that you never journey alone, and one day Jesus will appear to you as he appeared to the women on the day of his resurrection.....