6 Lent 2021 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 28 March 2021 <u>USCCB Daily Readings</u>

So how is your Lent going?

I was told on Friday that when it comes to running, marathons, and races... it's not about how your start, it's not even about getting your stride in the middle, it's much about how you finish and reaching your goal and crossing that line.

So I encourage you to keep going... run the race, keep the faith. It's about reaching your goal and it's about how you finish.

From Ash Wednesday, to every weekday Mass, to every Sunday Mass... there is a goal in mind... and that's this week, Holy Week. And really it's about the goal of the last three days of this week... From Holy Thursday Night through to Easter Sunday Night. The heart of Church Year is the Sacred Paschal Triduum.

Come to all of it. Watch all of it. Without exception. This is what Lent leads us too, this is what Lent has been preparing us for, this what Lent wants and is asking for ... for us. This is the goal of Lent to enter fully – heart, mind, and soul – into the life, death, and resurrection of Jesus and to allow the unfolding meaning and mystery to go deep, even more so, into our lives.

My brothers and sisters, the goal is ahead ... finish strong.