The feast of the Annunciation is one of Our Lady's great feast days. It commemorates that sublime moment in history when the second Person of the Trinity assumed human nature in the womb of the Virgin Mary. Honor our Lady, tomorrow. And remember there is no evening Mass on Saturday.

The solemn ceremonies of Palm Sunday, scheduled for 11:00 A.M., will begin at the Grotto at 10:45. The palms will be blessed at the Grotto, distributed there, and carried in procession to the Church. So, those who plan to participate in this solemn ceremony ushering in Holy Week should be at the Grotto at 10:45 on Sunday morning.

The late week-day Masses will continue in the church until Wednesday noon. There will be no 5:10 Mass on Wednesday. After that, the schedule for services will be posted in the church. Late morning Masses there will resume on Monday, April 10th.

For the most part, the news of the past few days has been disturbing. But, in the two excerpts printed here we have not only a reminder of the necessity for patriotism, but also a gracious reminder that patriotism includes a regard for our national heroes:

PHILADELPHIA, March 22—The Most Rev. John Joseph Krol was installed today as tenth head of the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Philadelphia.

Archbishop Krol succeeds Cardinal John O'Hara, who died last Aug. 28. He is 50 years old, the son of Polish immigrants and former Auxiliary Bishop of Cleveland.

In his first sermon, Archbishop Krol spoke of the need for civic dedication and virtue. He said:

"I am conscious, too, of our beloved country, the bold idealism that inspired it, the courage that gave it birth. May God grant that our prayers, the moral integrity of our lives, the clarity of our teaching and the sincerity of our patriotism help increase the spiritual resources without which no nation can survive."

WASHINGTON, March 22—President Kennedy signed today the act of Congress he had urged restoring the five-star rank of General of the Army to former President Dwight D. Eisenhower.

He notified the former President by letter.

"It gives me a great deal of pleasure to inform you that I have today approved the act of Congress authorizing your appointment to the active list of the Regular Army as General of the Army with your former date of rank in such grade. I have directed that a commission be prepared immediately.

"The legislation constitutes a reaffirmation of the affectionate regard of our nation for you."

General Eisenhower, with lifetime five-star rank, resigned from the Army after he was nominated for the Presidency by the Republicans in 1962.

A week from today, March 31st, marks the 30th anniversary of Rockne's death. Fr. O'Hara writing in the RB of that day, said:

"Six weeks ago, the Church sprinkled ashes on your head and repeated the warning: Remember, men, that thou art dust, and unto dust thou shalt return. If we needed a lesson to drive home that truth, that lesson has been given."

NOW WE ENTER THE HOLIEST PART OF LENT. Throughout the coming week there runs a note of victory and joy. The Church insists that we keep in mind that Christ's redemptive work did not end with death, it continues on in the victory of His resurrection. In short, the Cross is the way to Easter victory.

HOLY WEEK

O my people, what have I done unto thee? or wherein have I wearied thee? Answer me.

Because I brought thee forth from the land of Egypt: thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

Because I led thee through the desert forty years, and fed thee with manna, and brought thee into a land exceeding good: thou hast prepared a Cross for thy Saviour.

What more could I have done for thee that I have not done? I indeed did plant thee, my vineyard, exceeding fair: and thou art become very bitter unto me: for thou gavest vinegar to quench my thirst: and hast pierced with a spear the side of thy Saviour.

I did scourge Egypt with her first-born for thy sake: and thou hast scourged me and delivered me up.

I led thee out of Egypt, drowning Pharoah in the Red Sea: and thou hast delivered me unto the chief priests.

I opened the sea before thee: and thou hast opened my side with a spear.

I went before thee in a pillar of cloud: and thou hast led me unto the judgment hall of Pilate.

I fed thee with manna in the desert: and thou hast stricken me with blows and scourges.

I gave thee to drink of the water of salvation from the rock: and thou hast given me gall and vinegar to drink.

For thee I smote the kings of the Canaanites: and thou hast smitten my head with a reed.

I gave thee a royal sceptre: and thou hast given unto my head a crown of thorns.

I exalted thee with great power: and thou hast hanged me upon the gibbet of the Cross.

Selections from the Reproaches from the Good Friday Liturgy