Triduum Photography

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ABSTRACT:
The word ‘Triduum’ comes from the Latin words for three days. Through word and image, we remember the last days of Jesus’ life and seek an encounter with the Paschal Mystery. We recall Jesus’ prayer at Gethsemane and his suffering and death on the cross. We come to the tomb in sorrow with the women to anoint our Lord in the cold stone tomb. In joy and wonder, we encounter the Risen Christ on Easter morning. Nothing will ever be the same again.

Triduum 1: Gethsemane
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At the Garden of Gethsemane, Jesus’ invitation to us is to stay close with him and pray.
Triduum 2: Good Friday

In our darkest moment,
hope is a small seed
growing in a deep, secret place;
quiet and unseen.
Although we may not perceive it,
something is happening.
Joseph [of Arimathea] bought a linen cloth, and taking down the body, wrapped it in the linen cloth, and laid it in a tomb that had been hewn out of the rock. He then rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where the body was laid.

Mark 15:46-47 NRSV
Triduum 4: Entering the Tomb

As [the women] entered the tomb, they saw a young man, dressed in a white robe, sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, “Do not be alarmed; you are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised; he is not here. Look, there is the place they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going ahead of you to Galilee; there you will see him, just as he told you.”

Mark 16:5-7 NRSV