

## Readings for April 13, 2025

### Luke 19:35-40

They brought the colt to Jesus. Then, throwing their coats on its back, they helped Jesus get on. As he rode, the people gave him a grand welcome, throwing their coats on the street. Right at the crest, where Mount Olives begins its descent, the whole crowd of disciples burst into enthusiastic praise over all the mighty works they had witnessed:

Blessed is he who comes,  
the king in God's name!  
All's well in heaven!  
Glory in the high places!

Some Pharisees from the crowd told him, "Teacher, get your disciples under control!" But he said, "If they kept quiet, the stones would do it for them, shouting praise."

### Another Sacred Text

Absolutely Clear  
by Shams al-Din Hafiz

Don't surrender your loneliness  
So quickly.  
Let it cut more deep.

Let it ferment and season you  
As few human  
Or even divine ingredients can.

Something missing in my heart tonight  
Has made my eyes so soft,  
My voice  
So tender,

My need of God  
Absolutely  
Clear.