

# CELEBRATING EASTER



Easter is the most important festival in the Christian year. During this season, Christians remember all that Jesus Christ has suffered for them. It is a time to reflect on the reason why Jesus died and the significance of His death and resurrection.

The main events in the Easter story are **Palm Sunday**, **The Last Supper**, **Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane**, **Jesus' Arrest and Trial**, **His Crucifixion** and **His Resurrection**.

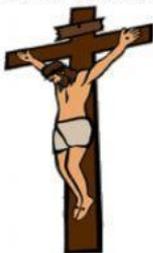
All of these events took place during **Passion Week** or **Holy Week**.

In The Bahamas, all Christian denominations celebrate Easter in some significant way. Catholics and Anglicans begin celebrations by having an **Ash Wednesday** service.

On **Palm Sunday**, many churches celebrate Jesus' Triumphant entry into Jerusalem. Churches are usually decorated with palm branches. Some churches like St. Matthews Anglican Church have Palm Sunday parades.



On **Good Friday**, services are held in most churches. These services are usually solemn because the sermon reflects on **Jesus' death**.



On **Easter Sunday**, services are festive as Christians celebrate **Jesus' resurrection**.

