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TIMES OF MASSES & INTENTIONS

Sunday 14th April, 2019

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

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Sunday	PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
8.00am	Jean Hibberd (<i>Spacey</i>)
10.15am	Brian Jones, RIP
5.50pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
6.30pm	Special Intention
Monday of Holy Week	
9.30am	John Lewis, RIP, (<i>Lewis</i>)
Tuesday of Holy Week	
10.00am	Requiem for Christopher Knight
Wednesday of Holy Week	
9.30am	People of the Parish
Thursday	<i>Maundy Thursday</i>
7.30pm	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
	Watching 'till 10pm ends with Night Prayer
Friday	<i>Good Friday</i>
10.00am	Stations of the Cross for Children
3.00pm	PASSION SERVICE
Saturday	<i>Holy Saturday</i>
10.00am	Polish Food Blessing
8.30pm	EASTER VIGIL
Sunday	EASTER SUNDAY
8.00am	People of the Parish
10.15am	Private Intention
	NO EVENING MASS TODAY

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion (Year C)

Entrance Hymn:

Laudate 229; Parish Mass Book - page 188

Responsorial Psalm:

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Sung Gospel Acclamation

- Drop, drop, slow tears and bathe those beautiful feet,
Which brought from heav'n the news and Prince of Peace.
- Cease not, wet eyes, His mercies to entreat;
To cry for vengeance, Sin doth never cease.
- In your deep floods, drown all my faults and fears;
Nor let His eye see sin, but through my tears.
- Jesus the Christ, obe-di-ent for us,
Humbly-ed him-self to death upon a Cross.
- Wherefore God raised Him, giv-ing Him a name,
more glo-ri-ous than any other name.

Communion Antiphon:

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it,
your will be done.



PALM SUNDAY

14th April, 2019

On Palm Sunday the long reading of the Passion dominates the celebration, and quite rightly so. In a way its meaning is just obvious. Do not allow this, however, to detract from the other readings, which give the vital

context necessary for understanding the Passion as more than just a long story. It is our story of the tale of how God achieved OUR salvation by the supreme sacrifice of Jesus Christ on the Cross.

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord.

MARION ANTIPHON FOR LENT

Ave Regina Caelorum

Hail, Queen of the heavens,
hail, Lady of the angels.

Root of our salvation
and our gateway to heaven,
the light of the world was born to you.

Be joyful, Virgin of glory,
most beautiful of all in heaven.

We greet you now, true beauty –
pray for us to Christ.

V. Let me praise you, O sacred Virgin.

R. Against your enemies give me strength.

V. Let us pray:

Grant to us, O merciful God,
protection against our weakness,
that we who remember the holy Mother of God,
by the help of her intercession,
may rise from our sinfulness,
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

LENTEN REFLECTION

It is a moving experience each year on Palm Sunday as we go up the mountain with Jesus, towards the Temple, accompanying him on his ascent. But what are we really doing when we join this procession as part of the throng which went up with Jesus to Jerusalem and hailed him as King of Israel? Does it have anything to do with the reality of our life and our world? To answer this, we must first be clear about what Jesus himself wished to do and actually did. He was journeying towards the Temple in the Holy City, towards that place which for Israel, ensured in a particular way, God's closeness to his people. The ultimate goal of his pilgrimage was the heights of God himself; to those heights he wanted to lift every human being. Our procession today is meant then, to be an image of something deeper, to reflect the fact that, together with Jesus, we are setting out on pilgrimage along the high road that leads to the living God.

Pope Benedict XVI

WEEKLY BIBLE READINGS:

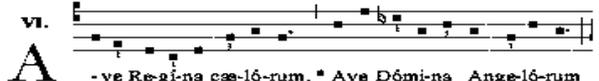
Monday, Isaiah 42:1-7; Tuesday, Isaiah 49:1-6;

Wednesday, Isaiah 50:4-9; Thursday, Exodus 12:1-14;

Friday, Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Saturday, Luke 24:13-35;



**A SECOND COLLECTION
will be taken this weekend,
for the Easter Flowers.**



vi. **A** -ve Re-gi-na cae-l6-rum, * Ave D6-mi-na Ange-l6-rum

The Easter Triduum:

Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil

The Easter Triduum, marking the days of Jesus' passion and resurrection, is the most important time of the church year. It begins with the evening Mass of Holy Thursday, reaches its high point in the Easter Vigil, and closes on Easter Sunday eve. Prepared by the days of Lent, Christians celebrate on these holiest of days, the saving work that God has accomplished in Christ. From the events we now remember, so sorrowful and so joyful, the church learns the deepest lessons. In rites and words the mysteries of Jesus' final hours are with us again, his passion his cruel suffering, his rising from the dead. And we discover the answer to age old questions: Does God love us? Is God merciful? Does God care for us? We have only to look and learn from Jesus Christ. These are days for fixing our eyes on the holy mystery of his cross and filling our ears with the words of his gospel. No-where else does God's love appear so vividly. In the love Christ showed for a sinful world we find the beginning of our church, the source of our sacraments, the key to understanding the human story, and our hope for eternal life.

Holy Thursday—The Easter Triduum begins with Mass on Holy Thursday eve, when Jesus sacramentally anticipated the gift he would make of himself on the cross. His command to love and serve others is dramatically described in the Gospel by the washing of the feet, which he performed in the supper room for his disciples. Like the Paschal lamb, killed and eaten by the people, according to the Old Testament account read from Exodus this evening, he is a sign of God's salvation.



Good Friday—The Good Friday rites centre around the reading of the Passion of Jesus. With simple dignity that story is re-told, followed by prayers for the entire world, for this powerful mystery brings blessings to the world. According to ancient tradition, an image or relic of the cross is venerated this day, and the sacrament of Christ's love for his church is received. It is a day of fasting and quiet mourning.



The Easter Vigil—The Easter Vigil is the high point of the Easter Triduum celebrating the passion and resurrection of Jesus. With a rich display of symbols, rites and readings, the church in worship expresses her faith in the mystery that brings her into being.



Light conquers darkness—The vigil opens with a service of light. Like the Jewish Passover, our Easter celebration coincides with the beginning of spring, when the sun offers new warmth and earth is ready to flower again. The lighting of the fire and the Easter candle go back to rites that long preceded Christianity. The candle, carried with loving reverence and lyrically praised in word and song, is a sign of Christ, "the light of the world," and celebrates the victory of light over darkness that humanity has ever longed for.

God's love endures forever—Rejoice! This night says as it brings before us the deepest symbols of our hopes and fears. The darkness, sign of evil and death, has been overcome by light. A lamp, a candle has been lit; a fire is enkindled in our hearts; a nourishing water flows through our lives; a baptism destroys what is unclean and brings to life again. Rejoice! this night says to all creation. The Word who made all things, as a new Adam, freshly proclaims God's promise of life. All creation celebrates God's love.

HOLY SATURDAY BLESSING OF FOOD

Swieconka - Poswiecenie Pokarmow

On Holy Saturday morning at 10am there will be the "Blessing of Easter Food". This is an ancient Polish custom. A description of this can be found on the internet:

<http://annhetzelgunkel.com/easter/swiecone.html>

Everyone is welcome.



BY HIS WOUNDS YOU
HAVE BEEN HEALED

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- ⇒ 14th April CRAFT GROUP SALE after all Masses.
- ⇒ 21st April EASTER EGG HUNT - revealed in the hall on after 10.15am Mass.
- ⇒ 10th May, FAMILY RACE NIGHT
- ⇒ 17th May LADIES NIGHT
- ⇒ 5th July LAD'S NIGHT (details to follow)
- ⇒ 13th September, SVP QUIZ NIGHT

Confirmation 2019

For those who parents who completed the online form expressing an interest in their child becoming part of the 2019/20 confirmation programme, please note an information evening will be taking place on **29th April, at 7pm**, so you and your child can find out more.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

During the Mass on Holy Thursday, a re-dedication of commitment and service will take place. All Ministers are asked to attend.

KSC Charity Walk for Sunday 28th April at 1.30pm

You are invited to join us on a 5.5 mile walk in the Meon Valley with views from old Winchester Hill.

Meet in Exton village off A32 road. Duration 3 hours. Donations of £3 to KSC Charity. If interested, email Tony at: a.quigley573@btinternet.com for further details

LADIES NIGHT MAY 17TH

Ever popular, & this time with a Latin twist - a welcoming glass of fizz and a tempting selection of tasty tapas, followed by Father Peter's legendary desserts!
(Special diet please inform us, when purchasing tickets)
Optional Salsa class, nail bar and accessory sale (*please leave any pre-loved bags, shoes bangles, baubles & beads and unused toiletries in Paray room labelled 'Ladies Night' by May 12th latest*) Tickets on sale £10 after all Masses - going fast and furiously at the moment, so don't be disappointed.
See you there, bring your BFF and BYOB too.
Please pay for pre reserved tickets by MAY 1ST

Please collect **Cleaning rota's**, now in the pigeon holes. **New members would be most welcome.** Please get in touch with Cath Hallam or let the office know. Many thanks.

Prayer for Holy Week

I love you Jesus, my love, above all things:
I repent with my whole heart for having offended you.
Never permit me to separate myself from you again.
Grant that I may love you always,
and then do with me what you will.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

The collection on Good Friday is for the Holy Land, and for the Christians communities still suffering there.

EASTER SUNDAY COLLECTION

The collection on Easter Sunday is your personal gift to the Priest, forming part of his annual income

Please remember in your prayers

Mary Salter, Helen Worstmann, Stan Wall, Aileen Hopkins, Jim Brown, Oliver Russell, Irene Hollywood, Pat Juke, Joseph Dolan, Siobhan Jefferies, Irene Otter, Marion Celand, Samantha Donohoe, Pat & Hugh Cooke, Josie Cutcliffe, Eileen Parsons, Maria & John Marvao, Kol Thelis, Thomas McCartney, Pat Elward, Mamie Allen, Netta Tracy, June Paris, John Kinneavy, Susan Bolton, Natalie Mahon, Jeanne Key, Kazy Madeley, Joseph Chisholm, Anne-Marie Mooney.
MARY, HEALTH OF THE SICK, PRAY FOR THEM

