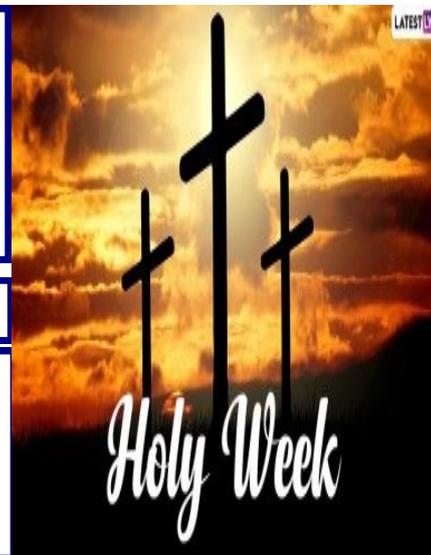


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Holy Week & Easter double edition (Year C) April 2022

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MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday 9th April	Vigil: Palm Sunday	6.00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 10th April	Palm Sunday	8.30am	Sr de Pazzi RIP
		10.30am	John O'Sullivan RIP
Tuesday 12th April	Tuesday of Holy Week (Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & opportunity for private confession)	7.00pm	Reconciliation Service
Wednesday 13th April	Wednesday of Holy Week	9.15am	Madeline Larkin RIP & family
Thursday 14th April	Maundy Thursday	10.45am	Funeral of John Moran RIP
	Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.30pm	Gerry Archer RIP
Friday 15th April	Good Friday	3.00pm	The Passion of the Lord (Children's Liturgy in the Hall-drop off 2.45)
		6.00pm	Stations of The Cross
Saturday 16th April	Holy Saturday –Easter Vigil	8.00pm	Maurice Rodrigo & John Crowle RIP
Sunday 17th April	EASTER SUNDAY	8.30am	Pat Leonard RIP
		10.30am	People of the Parish
Tuesday 19th April	Easter Octave	7.00pm	Bebe Ryan
Wednesday 20th April	Easter Octave	9.15am	Funeral of Mary Joyce RIP
Thursday 21st April	Easter Octave	9.15am	For the people of Ukraine
Friday 22nd April	Easter Octave	9.15am	Eddy Hayes
Saturday 23rd April	Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter	6.00pm	John Moran RIP & family

Entrance Antiphon:

Liturgy of the Word: Palm Sunday

Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel. Hosanna in the highest.

Responsorial Psalm:

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

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
 Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.
 But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.
 Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Next week's Readings:

Acts 10:34,37-43, Psalm 117, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9

Entrance Antiphon:

Liturgy of the Word: Easter Sunday

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
 You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
 Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

This day was made by the Lord, we rejoice & are glad.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
 Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed;
 Let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

Next week's Readings:

Acts 5:12-16, Psalm 117, Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19, John 20:19-31

Fr. Dominic writes:

“The Great Week”

We start Holy Week with Palm Sunday. The liturgy starts with a procession of Palms and people singing Hosanna in the Highest. We are commemorating the triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem. The people are treating Jesus as a King, a Messiah, a Prophet. The liturgy begins in a very joyful way. Then at the Gospel time we read the account of the Passion and Death of Jesus. This is a huge contrast in one liturgy. From joy to sadness, from hope to despair.

Even the children and adults who cried ‘Hosanna’ did not fully understand what they were saying, or the nature of the journey that Jesus was taking. Was he encouraged by their praise?. The religious leaders tried to silence the crowds but Jesus replied that the rocks would take up the chant if the children were silenced. Jesus usually shied away from public hero worship but he allowed this and even said it should not be silenced. There are times when we too need to profess our faith in Jesus publicly and there are times when the occasion cries out for it.

On the Thursday of Holy Week we have a very special celebration of the Last Supper, Maundy Thursday at 7.30pm. Here we celebrate the foundation of the Eucharist, the Mass as the ‘Source and Summit’ of our faith. This liturgy contains within it a very special ceremony - ‘The Washing of the Feet’. Here Jesus teaches us the very difficult commandment, the commandment to love. To love is to sacrifice, to be a servant to others. To take on the lowliest task to be of service to others. To love as I have loved you is to give your life for others as Jesus did. Real discipleship is true, humble service and should be the hallmark of our lived faith.

We move to Good Friday, a day of fasting in honour of the ultimate sacrifice of Jesus offering up his life so that we can be washed of our sins, once and forever. Our Liturgy is at 3.00pm. We are confronted with the Cross. It is held up for us to look at, to bend before, and to honour. We are to share its power to redeem. We are invited to sink into the mystery of a crucified God whose love shares even into in the brutality we visit upon one another, yet cries out NO! We must confront the Cross and Christ in those among us who suffer. We are a people of the cross and it must be evident in how we live and love and share. The cross has redeemed us.

We move to the Easter Vigil on Saturday Evening at 8.00pm. Here we celebrate the Resurrection, the coming to life, the rising from the dead of Jesus our Saviour. The readings trace our salvation history from Genesis to Jesus rising from the dead. All history has led us to this moment. Resurrection sends Jesus back into the world, and it sends us back into the world, unafraid now. He is among the poor, the workers, those unjustly treated, and we are to stand with him and be his hands and feet, his eyes and ears. He cannot wait to come into our lives, he wants us to imitate him in our love and service. We are to draw others to him and the way of life that he has shown us.



ALTAR SERVERS

We would love to welcome back our altar servers. Also anyone who would like to train as an altar server. Could a parent please sign up on the sheet at the back of the church. Many thanks.

There will be a training session for new altar servers on Saturday 23rd April at 3pm in the church

Good Friday Walk of Witness will once again take place this year. Sets off from South Oxhey Baptist Church at **9.45 am**. stopping at various places en route for Bible Readings and song. This will include the precinct outside Nisa. Adjourns to the Methodist Church at 11 a.m. for refreshments.

This lent, Greg Birch is fighting malnutrition by taking part in the Walk against Hunger challenge. He'll be walking 200km during lent to raise money for CAFOD's work around the world. You can make a donation in support at <https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/walk-against-hunger> | 343



Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers: Helen Birch, Tom O'Connor and Bebe Ryan

Calling all Doctors and Nurses and Carers The Catholic Medical Association Annual Conference 2022

At St Mary's University, Twickenham April 23rd 2022 “ Palliative Care : The Christian Way ” Details and Application cygnetdoc@aol.com or cmaconf39@gmail.com <https://catholicmedicalassociation.org.uk>

Information on hosting Ukrainian refugees who come to the UK

The document in the link below addresses key points, what is needed and how best to respond.

Please read CSAN (Caritas Social Action Network) document <https://www.csan.org.uk/ukraine>

Offertory for last Sunday 3rd April

Envelopes £299.18

Loose Plate £233.99

Total £533.17

Thank you



FOOD BANK- Last weekend the Catholic Women's League held a bucket collection and raised a magnificent **£191.30**. All money raised will go to the Food Bank run by the Baptist Church in Gosforth Lane, South Oxhey.