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**Holy Week & Easter 2024– Double Edition (Year B)**

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday 23rd March	Vigil: Palm Sunday	6.00pm Joe O'Sullivan RIP RIP
Sunday 24th March	Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord	8.30am Daniel Francis Foley Ints
		10.30am People of the Parish
Tuesday 26th March	Tuesday of Holy Week	7.00pm Terry Rose RIP
Wednesday 27th March	Wednesday of Holy Week	9.15am Recently dec'd Holy Land RIP

**EASTER TRIDUUM**

Thursday 28th March	Maundy Thursday: Mass of the Lord's Supper	8.00pm Jane Tippetts Ints
Friday 29th March	Good Friday	3.00pm Passion of the Lord (Children's Liturgy in the hall –drop off 2.45pm)
		6.00pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 30th March	Holy Saturday Easter Vigil	8.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 31st March	EASTER SUNDAY	8.30am Maurice Rodrigo & John Crowle RIP
		10.30am Rita Mackey RIP
Tuesday 2nd April	Easter Octave	No Mass
Wednesday 3rd April	Easter Octave	No Mass
Thursday 4th April	Easter Octave	9.15am Bebe Ryan
Friday 5th April	Easter Octave	9.15am Helen Birch followed by Holy Hour
Saturday 6th April	Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Easter	6.00pm Sean & Lynn Moore RIP

**CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5;30pm or see Fr John**

**Liturgy of the Word: Palm Sunday**

**Entrance Antiphon:** 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

**Liturgy of the Word: Easter Sunday**

**Entrance Antiphon:** 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 and 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 4:32-35 Psalm 117 I John 5:1-6, John 20: 19-31

**REMEMBER: THE CLOCKS GO FORWARD 1 HOUR ON HOLY SATURDAY / EASTER SUNDAY**

**Many people spread their cloaks on the road, others greenery which they had cut in the fields. And those who followed were all shouting, "Hosanna!"** (Mark 11:8-9)

In Jerusalem as early as the end of the 4<sup>th</sup> Century special ceremonies are recorded remembering Jesus' entry into that holy city a few days before his arrest and crucifixion. A wealthy woman called Etheria (or Egeria) wrote a detailed account of a lengthy pilgrimage to the Holy Land in the early 380's which includes a description of the Palm Sunday liturgy in Jerusalem:

"The passage from the Gospel is read, where the children, carrying branches and palms, greet the bishop, saying: *Blessed is He that cometh in the name of the Lord*, and the bishop immediately rises, and all the people with him, and they all go on foot from the top of the Mount of Olives, all the people going before him with hymns and antiphons, answering one to another: *Blessed is He that cometh in the Name of the Lord*. And all the children in the neighbourhood, even those who are too young to walk, are carried by their parents on their shoulders, all of them bearing branches, some of palms and some of olives, and thus the bishop is escorted in the same manner as the Lord was of old. For all, even those of rank, both matrons and men, accompany the bishop all the way on foot in this manner, making these responses, from the top of the mount to the city, and thence through the whole city."

1700 years on, by the grace of God, we in Carpenders Park will process into our Church as an act of witness to the Lord singing "All glory, praise and honour to Thee, Redeemer, King !

Our blessed servant King entered Jerusalem and willingly offered himself to suffer and die on the Cross to show his infinite love for us. May our participation in the sacred liturgies of Holy Week bring us closer to Him.

#### **Good Friday Holy Places collection**

As is customary on Good Friday a collection will be taking place for the Holy Places in the Holy Land.

#### **Easter Sunday treat**

Ilaria and her fiancé Julio have kindly volunteered to prepare crêpes for all after 10:30 Mass on Easter Sunday. A small donation would be welcomed and all proceeds will be donated to Church funds.

#### **Annual Mass for Matrimony**

The annual Mass for Matrimony will be celebrated in the Cathedral by Cardinal Vincent on **Saturday 25th May at 2.30pm** for couples celebrating significant anniversaries such as 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th, 60th and 60+ Please contact Linda in the parish office if you would like to attend, giving your email address, contact number and date of your marriage.



**\*\*\* Our Lady of Willesden May Procession\*\*\*** Sunday 12th May at 3pm

#### **Vocations Days: 'Come and See'**

Men who are interested in exploring vocations to the priesthood or the permanent diaconate are invited to come along to the Vocations Team's 'Come & See' Vocations Mornings on one of the following days:

- **Sat 20th April** 10am-2pm at Our Lady and St Vincent Church Hall, 243 Mutton Lane, Potters Bar EN6 2AT
- **Sat 1st June** 10am-2pm at Our Lady's Hall (the undercroft) at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Rothamsted Avenue, Harpenden AL5 2DB.

Refreshments and a light lunch will be provided. To find out more and to register attendance at one of the days, please contact: Canon Roger Taylor, Vocations Promoter, at: [rogertaylor@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:rogertaylor@rcdow.org.uk) or Deacon Adrian Cullen, Director Permanent Diaconate at: [adriancullen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:adriancullen@rcdow.org.uk) or call 07961 594725.

#### **Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes**

Registration for the Westminster diocesan pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols is now open via the application form on <https://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/> or by contacting the Pilgrimage Office on 020 7798 9173.

Options to travel by plane, train or coach are available and there are many volunteering opportunities for those wishing to serve. **All applications to join this year's pilgrimage need to be submitted by Tuesday 30th April.**

#### **Parish Hall for Rent**

The parish hall is available for groups who are interested in renting on a regular, weekly basis.

**Please remember all our sick parishioners in your prayers** especially Bebe Ryan, Dawn Tannian, Phil Carey, Alice Sheppard, Kathleen Andrews, Dave Jessop, Michael O'Brien and Alton Headley.

#### **Offertory for 17th March**

**Loose £348.85   Envelopes £223.65   Total £572.50**

**Many thanks**