

### Opening hours:

The church is open daily for private prayer and adoration:

**Monday—Friday from: 8am– 9pm;**

**Saturday & Sunday open from 9am;** closed after evening Mass;

**LITURGY, CONFESSION; MASS TIMES & Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

Sunday		Palm Sunday	Week 2
24 March		<b>Masses: 10am, 12noon and 6pm.</b>	
Isaiah 50:4-7 Phillipians 2:6-11 Mark 14:1-15:47		3-5.30pm - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. 5-5.40pm - Confessions 7pm – Church closed.	
Monday		<b>9am – Mass;</b>	
25 March		9.30 –Rosary followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament.	
Holy Week			
Tuesday		<b>9am – Mass.</b>	
26 March		9.30 – Rosary followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. <b>7.30pm – Mass</b> followed by devotion to St Anthony. <b>Church will be closed at 9pm.</b>	
Holy Week			
Wednesday		<b>9am – Mass.</b>	
27 March		9.30 – Rosary followed by the Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. <b>7.30pm</b> —Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service—Confessions	
Holy Week			
Thursday		<b>9am—Morning Prayer followed by Rosary;</b>	
28 March		• <b>8pm—Mass of the Lord's Supper</b> followed by watching before the Altar of Repose till Night Prayer at <b>11pm.</b>	
Maundy Thursday			
Friday		<b>9am – Morning prayer</b>	<i>Good Friday Abstinence</i>
29 March		<b>11am — Family Stations of the Cross.</b>	
Good Friday		<b>3pm— † Liturgy of the Lord's Passion,</b> <b>7pm – Divine Mercy Chaplet—Novena Day 1 – church will be</b> closed afterwards.	
Saturday		<b>9am – Morning prayer</b> followed by Rosary,	
30 March		♦ <b>Confessions, 9.30-10.30am;</b> ♦ <b>Blessing of Food, 11am;</b> <b>12noon</b> —Preparation of the Church and cleaning. 3pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet—Novena Day 2;	
Holy Saturday		<b>8pm - Easter Vigil;</b>	
Sunday		<b>Easter Sunday</b>	Week 1
31 March		<b>Masses: 10am and 12noon.</b>	
Acts 10:34,37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9		3pm - Divine Mercy Chaplet—Novena Day 3; <b>No evening Mass!!!</b> <b>Church open for private devotions till 6.30pm</b>	

## St Anthony of Padua Catholic Church

A Parish of the Catholic Diocese of Westminster

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Parish Office—Opening Time:

Tuesday 10-3.30, Wednesday  
& Thursday: 9.30am-3.00pm

Access the website via this QR  
code:



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**Palm Sunday**

24 March 2024

***Blessed is he who comes in the name of the  
Lord; blessed is the King of Israel.***

Let us go together to meet Christ on the Mount of Olives. Today he returns from Bethany and proceeds of his own free will towards his holy and blessed passion, to consummate the mystery of our salvation. He who came down from heaven to raise us from the depths of sin, to raise us with himself, we are told in Scripture, above every sovereignty, authority and power, and every other name that can be named, now comes of his own free will to make his journey to Jerusalem. He comes without pomp or ostentation. As the psalmist says: He will not dispute or raise his voice to make it heard in the streets. He will be meek and humble, and he will make his entry in simplicity.

Let us run to accompany him as he hastens towards his passion, and imitate those who met him then, not by covering his path with garments, olive branches or palms, but by doing all we can to prostrate ourselves before him by being humble and by trying to live as he would wish. Then we shall be able to receive the Word at his coming, and God, whom no limits can contain, will be within us.

In his humility Christ entered the dark regions of

our fallen world and he is glad that he became so humble for our sake, glad that he came and lived among us and shared in our nature in order to raise us up again to himself. And even though we are told that he has now ascended above the highest heavens – the proof, surely, of his power and godhead – his love for man will never rest until he has raised our earthbound nature from glory to glory, and made it one with his own in heaven.

So let us spread before his feet, not garments or soulless olive branches, which delight the eye for a few hours and then wither, but ourselves, clothed in his grace, or rather, clothed completely in him. We who have been baptized into Christ must ourselves be the garments that we spread before him. Now that the crimson stains of our sins have been washed away in the saving waters of baptism and we have become white as pure wool, let us present the conqueror of death, not with mere branches of palms but with the real rewards of his victory. Let our souls take the place of the welcoming branches as we join today in the children's holy song: Blessed is He who comes in the name of the Lord. Blessed is the King of Israel.

**"On the Palm Branches" by Saint Andrew of Crete**

***Welcome to all at Mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website.***

**Web:** [www.parish.rcdow.org.uk/edgware](http://www.parish.rcdow.org.uk/edgware);

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## PARISH NOTICES

**Please pray for those who have died:** Fr Michael James Daley; Thomas Flynn; Dora Aning-Hall; (...) and for those whose anniversaries occur about now: (...). **Please pray for sick and housebound parishioners:** Fr Pius Pinto; Brian Mangan; Edgar D'Souza; Sheila Clarke; Margaret Tivenan; Cicely Malcolm; Kathleen Rebello; Joe & Genny De Lord; Ronald Craved; Brian Stodel; Jacqueline Kasparian; Sean & Jennie McGovern; Emilia Proto; Maura Brothwood;

### The Lamps in our Church

#### This week the lamp burns for:

By the Tabernacle (left) Clarke Family R.I.P.;  
By the Tabernacle (right) Monteiro Family Intentions;  
Blessed Sacrament chapel (left) Augustine Family Intentions;  
Blessed Sacrament chapel (right) Parishioner's Intentions;  
By the Statue of St Anthony (left) Augustine Family Intentions.;  
By the Statue of St Anthony (right) Parishioner's Intentions.



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#### Parish online:

• **Mass can be watched Daily at:**

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UChKzZ7fMVPTPUJuF72b2oOA>.

• **More on our website:**

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/edgware>

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⇒ **Next Sunday the clocks will go forward one hour!!!**

### Parish Lenten Reconciliation Service—Confessions

**WEDNESDAY 27TH MARCH AT 7.30PM**

**Please do come and experience God's love and His mercy.**

#### Holy Week schedule:

- ♦ **Holy Monday 25th March:** Mass, 9am.
- ♦ **Holy Tuesday 26th March:** Mass, 9am & 7.30pm then Devotions to St Anthony and Benediction.

\* **Chrism Mass** at Westminster Cathedral, 12noon.

- ♦ **Holy Wednesday 27th March:** Mass, 9am;

#### THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM

- ♦ **Maundy Thursday, 28th March:**  
Morning Prayer - 9am followed by Rosary;
- **Mass of the Lord's Supper, 8pm;** followed by watching before the Altar of Repose till Night Prayer at 11pm.

#### • Good Friday, 29th March:

\* A day of Fasting (one main meal) and Abstinence (from meat).

• **9am** – Morning prayer followed by Rosary;

• **11am** — Family Stations of the Cross.

• **3pm** †Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

• **7pm** – **Divine Mercy Chaplet**—Novena Day 1—followed by Stations of the Cross

#### ♦ Holy Saturday, 30th March:

• **9am**—Morning Prayer followed by Rosary;

• **Confessions, 9.30-10.30am;**

• **Blessing of Food, 11am;**

• Preparation of the Church and cleaning.

• **3pm**— **Divine Mercy Chaplet**—Novena Day 2;

♦ **No 6.30pm Mass!!!**

### **EASTER**

**Easter Vigil, 8pm.**

**Easter Sunday, 31st March,**

**Masses at: 10am and 12 noon.**

**No 6.00pm Mass!!**

**Easter Monday, 1st April—Mass at 10am.**

**Money collected on Good Friday** is for the Holy Places associated with our Lord's life, ministry, death and Resurrection.

**Easter Offerings** The offertory collection of Easter Offerings is your contribution to the support and upkeep of the parish clergy.

Your generosity and kindness is the source of clergy income and is greatly appreciated by Fr Robert & Deacon Tom.

### Pilgrim Our Lady Statue In My Home

We are looking for families to host the statue of Our Lady. If you would like to take the statue from Sunday Mass for one week, contact Debbie or Fr Robert.

#### Night Vigil Eucharistic Adoration

on the First Friday of the month. The Night Vigil begins with Mass on Friday 5th April at 7.30pm. After that the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed continuously until Saturday 6th April at 9.20am.



#### Prayer for Peace:

**Loving God, We pray for the people of those countries where there are conflicts and war, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people who are caught up in conflict and for all the world. Amen.**

**Baptismal Course** The next course for parents will take place on Saturday 13th April at 2pm, in the Holy Family Room. Parents who wish to baptise their child will need to attend this course.

#### **- Catechesis -**

**First Holy Communion Programme** Will resume after Easter.

**Walk With Me Programme** The next session will take place on **Monday 25th March at 6pm** in the Parish Centre.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** Will resume after Easter.

**The Belles of St. Anthony (Womens group)** Will resume after Easter.

**St. Anthony's Men's Group** Will resume after Easter.

**Children's Liturgy**— will take place on **Sundays at the 10am Mass.** Children

aged 4—7 are welcome.

**Youth Mass - Sunday, 14th April at 6pm**, followed by a social and food in the Parish Centre for Confirmation candidates and older.

**Sponsor a Sanctuary Lamp** To book your lamp intention please contact the parish office.

#### **- Finance -**

**Giving by Standing Order.** Would you consider gifting your offering by Standing Order? If so, the payment details are: **HSBC Bank plc, Sort Code: 40-05-20, a/c no: 61095900 a/c name: Church of St Anthony of Padua, Edgware;** If you are a tax payer and willing to sign for Gift Aid, kindly visit Debbie, at the office.

**Wish to meet with the Parish Priest** **Clergy Availability** During the Holy week and Easter Octave those who need to see a Priest are asked to speak with him after Mass.

The next Clergy Availability will be on Tuesday 9th April 5.30-7pm.

**The Repository:** Mrs Annette O'Malley Tuesdays and Fridays, 9.30am - 11am and on Sundays after the 10am and 12 noon Masses.

**Parish Office opening hours:** Tuesday: 10am—3.30pm, Wed & Thurs.: 9-30am—3.00pm.

#### **Church Cleaning**

**Saturday 30th March**

**Team III - 12 noon**

C. & D. Caderamanpulle; M. Rodrigues;

H. Marquez; A. Peralta; A. Adu.

**Thank you to all who help to clean and care for our church.**



**Turn off your mobile phone!!!**

**Don't let anything or anyone interrupt your time with God.**

**Thank you**