



PRAYING TOGETHER FOR THE CHURCH, THE WORLD, THE PARISH & ONE ANOTHER

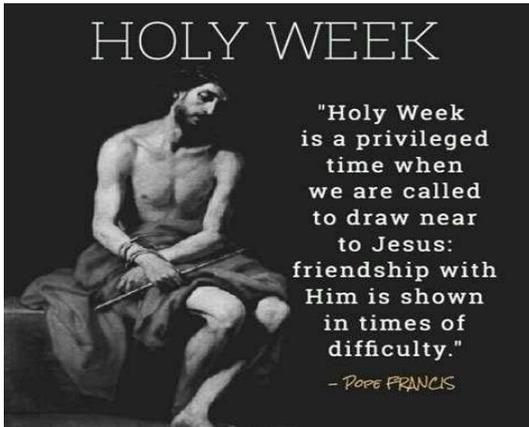
SICK & HOUSEBOUND: Michael Fahey, Michael Griffin, Anne Hull, Gillian Gibbs, Catherine Kevill, Margaret O'Shea, Lionel Stonehouse, Edith Geissler, Marie Rego, Christopher Browne, Jennifer.

RECENTLY DEPARTED: Mrs Maureen Ogbugo, Lyn Haney, Ruth Cleary.

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: Tony Leathers, George Hillier (3rd Ann), Robert Longuet, Thomas Maguire (31st Ann).

RECENTLY BAPTISED: Frederick Siva Haylock.

INTENTION OF POPE FRANCIS FOR April 2019
Doctors and their Collaborators in War Zones
For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



PRAYER FOR HOLY WEEK

Gracious God, you have heard the cries of your suffering people. You have sent Jesus to us to be our Redeemer and brother. Open our eyes to see the immensity of your love for us and the wonder of what you have done for us. Give us the courage to be your hands and heart for those who are in pain. Give us the wisdom to speak out for justice and righteousness. May your will be done in us today and always. Amen.

SANCTUARY LAMP

HAS BEEN SPONSORED THIS WEEK
For SPECIAL INTENTIONS

**LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF
OUR LADY OF WALSHINGHAM**
has been sponsored this week

In Memory of
THOMAS MAGUIRE RIP (31st Ann)

ROSARY AT HOME: This week the statue of Our Lady of Fatima will be at the home of
Mrs Saithi Bala David



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off or to silent

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Holy Week

The Catholic Parish
of St George, Sudbury



Sunday 14th April 2019 PALM SUNDAY

Welcome to all at Mass today, especially to any visitors and particularly those who are here for the first time. Please take this sheet home with you which will tell you about this week's celebration and the activities during the week and also to remind you of our Liturgy today.

TODAY'S MASS



When St Luke describes the Way of the Cross and Jesus' crucifixion, he calls to our attention many events that are not reported in the other Gospels. Throughout his Gospel, Luke has paid heed to the women who accompanied Jesus. Now, on the road to Calvary, Jesus speaks to the women who walk with him. Only Luke reports Jesus' words of forgiveness spoken

from the cross. And only Luke reports the dialogue between Jesus and the good thief. Finally, in contrast with the Gospels of Mark and Matthew, Luke reports no words of abandonment spoken by Jesus on the cross. Instead, Jesus, in full command until his death, commends his spirit to his Father and takes his final breath.

Gospel at the Procession with Palms: Luke 19:28-40

Jesus sends his disciples for a colt and then rides into Jerusalem.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord's Servant will stand firm, even when persecuted.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 22:8-9,17-20,23-24

A cry for help to the Lord in the face of evildoers.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Christ was obedient even to death, but God has exalted him.

Gospel Reading: Luke 22:14—23:56

From the cross, Jesus speaks words of forgiveness and promises that the good thief will be with him in paradise.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE

**"Apart from the cross, there is no other ladder
by which we may get to heaven."**

St. Rose of Lima

SUNDAY REFLECTION

On this Palm Sunday, does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your home and heart?

Jesus went to Jerusalem knowing full well what awaited him – betrayal, rejection, and crucifixion. The people of Jerusalem, however, were ready to hail him as their Messianic King! Little did they know what it would cost this

king to usher in his kingdom. Jesus' entry into Jerusalem astride a colt was a direct fulfilment of the Messianic prophecy of Zechariah (9:9): *Rejoice greatly, O daughter of Zion. Shout aloud, O daughter of Jerusalem. Lo, your king comes to you; triumphant and victorious is he, and riding on an ass and upon a colt*

the foal of an ass. The colt was a sign of peace. Jesus enters Jerusalem in meekness and humility, as the Messianic King who offers victory and peace to his people. That victory and peace would be secured in the cross and resurrection which would soon take place at the time of Passover.

St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) comments on the significance of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem: "The master of humility is Christ who humbled himself and became obedient even to death, even the death of the cross. Thus he does not lose his divinity



when he teaches us humility. What great thing was it to the king of the ages to become the king of humanity?

For Christ was not the king of Israel so that he might exact a tax or equip an army with weaponry and visibly vanquish an enemy. He was the king of Israel in that he rules minds, in that he gives counsel for eternity, in that he

leads into the kingdom of heaven for those who believe, hope, and love. It is a condescension, not an advancement for one who is the Son of God, equal to the Father, the Word through whom all things were made, to become king of Israel. It is an indication of pity, not an increase in power."

Psalm 24 is another prophetic passage which echoes this triumphal procession of the King of glory: *Lift up your heads, O gates! and be lifted up, O ancient doors! that the King of glory may come in.* Jesus Christ came to bring us the kingdom of God. He is the true King who offers peace, joy, and everlasting life for those who accept his kingship.

Two questions for us to meditate upon at the start of this important week – Holy Week: does the King of glory find a welcome entry in your heart and home? And do your lives echo with the praise of his glory?

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION—The next session, taking place on **Tuesday 23rd April for PARENTS & CARERS ONLY**, will be providing all with details of the practicalities relating to the FHC Masses. Thank you for making the necessary child-care arrangements so you are able to attend.

CONFIRMATION—Confirmation candidates are strongly encouraged to attend the entire Easter Triduum this year - Maundy Thursday, Good Friday & Easter Saturday—in preparation for their confirmation in May. The next session in the Parish Centre is on Monday 29th April.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION - We continue to search for some **generous volunteers to help our Catechists prepare the children for their First Holy Communion.** If your child is currently in Year 2 perhaps you'd like to lend a hand next year? Please speak to one of the Parish Clergy, the Catechists or our Catechetical Coordinator to find out more. Thank you.

PLANNED GIVING—envelopes for 2019/20 are now available. If you are new to the parish and wish to use these envelopes for the first time please complete the yellow information form in the box at the back of the church. **If you are already in our planned giving scheme, have a Gift Aid and ceased to pay tax in the last year you must inform the parish office.**

MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY at Westminster Cathedral on Saturday 8 June 2019 at 3pm. The deadline for this has now been extended to April 29th. The Cardinal will be inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2019. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address, telephone number and email address.

OVER 60'S CREAM TEA and RAFFLE— a belated St. George's Day celebration— on Tuesday 7th May from 1-3pm, in aid of St. George's Sanctuary Fund. £5 each. All Welcome. Tickets available from Joyce on 020 8904 6430.

PARISH COOKBOOK—we've had a very slight response. In order to make this a viable project we need your recipes to include. How about it?

OVER 60's GROUP - now closed until Tuesday 23rd April at 1pm.

MOTHER'S DAY SALE in aid of ST. LUKE'S: All raffle winners have been notified but there are still some uncollected raffle prizes— please collect prizes from the parish office

NEW SANCTUARY REORDERING UPDATE No 2: All the designs have now been approved and we can move forward. A final 'pricing up' of the whole project will be done in a few days time. We will be asking if anyone would like to buy or give items in memory of someone or even in thanksgiving for something. Hopefully the project will just take 6 week throughout the summer. We need some idea/help etc for some fundraising too.

CHURCH LAMPS: If you would like to sponsor the blessed sacrament lamp or the lamp by the altar of Our Lady of Walsingham with a particular intention, the cost is £10 for the week. There are still some weeks free in May and June. Please see Toni in the Parish Office.

MASS INTENTIONS are booked completely up to August 2019. Remember to book your anniversary Masses early .

WHITE/YELLOW FOLDER INFORMATION FOR THE FOLLOWING: (See in church porch)
BEGINNING EXPERIENCE helps separated, divorced or widowed Catholics.
SMART LOVING SEMINAR for married couples.
CATHOLIC SINGLES information
RETRouvaille—a lifeline for married couples.
WIDOWED YOUNG—support events.
CALIX CENTRE—A Catholic ministry to addicts.
ADULT FAITH FORMATION COURSES.
MARRIAGE/ENGAGED ENCOUNTER:
www.wvme.org.uk

DIOCESAN AND SCHOOL VACANCIES please see folder in porch or School/diocesan website.

CARDINAL WISEMAN CATHOLIC SCHOOL require an Assessment Administrator (c/date 29/4).

ST. MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL—new premium pupil information for year 7 entry in September 2020. Please information in porch.

FOLDERS in the church porch: look for pilgrimages & retreats, job opportunities, schools & colleges information

NEWS & VIEWS

NEW TO THE PARISH? If you are, please know you are very welcome. Please fill in one of the new parishioners forms at the back of church and we'll get back to you.

PLEASE LEAVE THE PEW NEAT AND TIDY AS YOU DEPART CHURCH TODAY. This is especially true if you have children using their worksheets. Please make sure they (or you) bring all the crayons back to the basket.

PARISH DIARY FOR THIS WEEK

Sunday 14 April:

Teas/Coffees after 9.45am/11.15am Masses.

Monday 15 April:

Tuesday 16 April:

Small Lenten Group 10.15am
Set/Ceilidh Dancing 8.45pm

Wednesday 17 April:

Church Cleaning Group D 3.00pm

Friday 19 April:

Good Friday

NEXT SUNDAY—EASTER SUNDAY Bishop John Sherrington, the auxiliary bishop for North London will be presiding at our 11.15am Mass.

EASTER EGG HUNT for all our children after the 9.45am Mass on Easter Sunday.

ECUMENICAL WALK OF WITNESS begins at 9.15am at Sudbury Baptist Church on Good Friday.

EASTER LILIES in memory of a loved one. Envelopes are available now to buy an Easter lily in memory of a loved one. Their names will also be inscribed in our Easter Lily Book. You'll find the envelopes at the back of church in a nominated basket.

EASTER ENVELOPES are out this week in the benches or at the back of the church. This is an opportunity for you to make a special offering at this time of Easter. In anticipation, thank you for your generosity.

ST. GEORGE'S DAY falls this year officially on Tuesday 30th April as this is the first free day after the Easter celebrations. Mass at the usual time of 9.30am.

DIVINE MERCY -The **Divine Mercy Chaplet** is recited in the church every Monday after the Rosary. All are welcome!

HOLY WEEK POSTERS, provided by the Knights of St. Columba, are available from this Sunday in the church porch. Remember to put the bottom flap up until Easter Sunday!

HOLY WEEK SERVICES leaflet is now available—please take a copy home.

GOOD FRIDAY CHILDREN'S WORKSHOP & STATIONS OF THE CROSS—The Children's Workshop & Stations of the Cross will once again be taking place this year on **Good Friday from 11.30am - 12.30pm**. All children are welcome (accompanied by a Parent/Carer). Thank you!

HOLY BAPTISM: Information packs are available from the parish office. You can sign up there for the preparation course. Parents to be, i.e. before birth, are welcome to attend. The date of the next baptism preparation is **Friday 26th April 2019 at 7.30pm** in the parish centre.

CONFIRMATION & FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PHOTOGRAPHS—We are delighted that, once again, **Papillion Photography** are taking care of the official photographs at the Confirmation & First Holy Communion Masses this year. If, in addition to the official photographs being taken during these services, you would like to **book a slot to have some photos taken with your family** either before or after Mass, please email info@papillonphotography.co.uk or telephone **Patricia on 07939 722 198 or Suzanne on 07712 183 744**.

REPOSITORY Open after Mass today with a selection of Mothering Sunday gifts and cards. If you think you could help with staffing the repository can you let one of the parish Team know.

FIREWARDENS. Thanks to those who have volunteered. We have arranged a deanery training for all volunteer fire-wardens on Saturday 15th June 10.30am-12.30pm. A date for your diary!

FRIENDS OF JESUS—now closed for the Easter break and will be back on Friday 26th April at 5.30pm

LITURGICAL CALENDAR & MASS INTENTIONS

For Mass intentions during Holy Week- Please see the Church notice board

14th April PALM SUNDAY with blessing of palms
6.15pm Saturday Vigil Mass (said)
8.30am Mass (said)
9.45am Mass (Family)
11.30am* Mass (Solemn)
5.30pm Mass (with hymns)

There will be a procession into Church at the 9.45am & 11.15am Mass. Please assemble outside in the garden area. Please also be on time.

15th April Monday in Holy Week
9.00am Confessions
9.30am MASS

16th April Tuesday in Holy Week
9.00am Confessions
9.30am MASS
12noon Chrism Mass in Westminster Cathedral
(All are welcome – no tickets required)

17th April Wednesday in Holy Week ("Spy Wednesday")
9.00am Confessions
9.30am MASS

THE SACRED TRIDUUM

18th April 8.00pm MAUNDY THURDAY EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER
and watch at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
12 Midnight Night Prayer

19th April GOOD FRIDAY
Day of fasting & abstinence
9.15am Ecumenical Walk of Witness
(assemble at Sudbury Baptist Church)
11.30am - Children's workshop together with
12.30pm Children's Stations of the Cross
(Parish Centre)
3.00pm SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
8.00pm Stations of the Cross & Veneration of the Relic of the True Cross

20th April HOLY SATURDAY
9.30am Morning Prayer
10.30am Blessing of Easter foods
(Parish Centre)
10.00am - Church Cleaning –
1.00pm *All welcome!*
During this time a priest will be available in Church to hear Confessions
8.00pm THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT

21st April EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION
8.30am Mass (said)
9.15am Blessing of Easter foods
(Parish Centre)
9.45am Mass (Family)
11.15am Pontifical Mass (Solemn)
5.30pm Mass (said)

There will be an Easter egg hunt for all the children after the 9.45am Mass

TODAY'S MASS

This gospel is read at the procession with palms before Mass:

Gospel: Luke 19:28-40

Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. Now when he was near Bethphage and Bethany, close by the Mount of Olives as it is called, he sent two of the disciples, telling them, 'Go off to the village opposite, and as you enter it you will find a tethered colt that no one has yet ridden. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you are to say this, "The Master needs it".' The messengers went off and found everything just as he had told them. As they were untying the colt, its owner said, 'Why are you untying that colt?' and they answered, 'The Master needs it.'

So they took the colt to Jesus, and throwing their garments over its back they helped Jesus on to it. As he moved off, people spread their cloaks in the road, and now, as he was approaching the downward slope of the Mount of Olives, the whole group of disciples joyfully began to praise God at the top of their voices for all the miracles they had seen. They cried out:

'Blessings on the King who comes, in the name of the Lord!

Peace in heaven

and glory in the highest heavens!'

Some Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Master, check your disciples,' but he answered, 'I tell you, if these keep silence the stones will cry out.'

Entrance Antiphon: Cf. Jn 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out:

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors.

Let him enter, the king of glory!

Who is this king of glory?

He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

Hosanna in the highest!

Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

Collect

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

First reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue.

So that I may know how to reply to the wearied

he provides me with speech.

Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple.

The Lord has opened my ear.

For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away.

I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;

I did not cover my face against insult and spittle.

The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults.

So, too, I set my face like flint;

I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps. 21:8-9,17-20,23-24

R/. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. 'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.' **R/.**

2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet I can count every one of my bones. **R/.**

3. They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me! **R/.**

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. 'You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons. **R/.**

Second reading: Philippians 2:6-11

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave and became as men are; and being as all men are, he 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 other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim

Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation: Phil 2:8-9

**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!**

Gospel: Luke 22:14-23:56

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Prayer over the Offerings

Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord, may our reconciliation with you be near at hand, so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds, yet by this sacrifice made once for all, we may feel already the effects of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon: Mt 26: 42

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

Prayer after Communion

Nourished with these sacred gifts, we humbly beseech you, O Lord, that, just as through the death of your Son you have brought us to hope for what we believe, so by his Resurrection you may lead us to where you call. Through Christ our Lord.