

St. Joseph the Worker

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord and Holy Week

9th April, 2017



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Sunday, 9 th April Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 4.15 pm Stations of the Cross 5.00 pm	Paula Black & Family Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish Anthony Seary RIP	
Monday, 10 th April	10.00 am (Morning Prayer at 9.40)	Vera McGovern RIP (Anniversary)	
Tuesday, 11 th April	No Mass Today		
Wednesday, 12 th April	7.00 pm	Fr. Paul's Intentions	
Thursday, 13 th April THE Maundy Thursday	10.00 am Morning Prayer 10.30-11.30 am Confessions EASTER 7.00 pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER	TRIDUUM After Mass the Blessed Sacrament will be taken in procession from the main altar in the church to the Altar of Repose where there will be watching until midnight. <i>"Can you not watch with me one hour?"</i>	
Friday, 14 th April Good Friday Today is a day of fasting and abstinence.	9.45 am Morning Prayer 10.00 am The Office of Readings 10.30 am Children's Stations of the Cross 3.00 pm SOLEMN CELEBRATION OF THE LORD'S PASSION 7.00 pm Stations of the Cross	This is not a Mass, but a solemn celebration held at the time of Our Lord's death on the Cross.	
Saturday, 15 th April Holy Saturday	9.45 am Morning Prayer 10.00 am The Office of Readings 10.15 am-11.00 am Confessions 8.30 pm THE EASTER VIGIL	The Sacraments of the Church are not celebrated today. We join Jesus in His "Sabbath Rest" in the tomb. Ron Jones RIP	
Sunday, 16 th April Easter Sunday	9.00 am 11.00 am 12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy) 5.00 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Meehan Intentions of the Ordinariate The People of the Parish Eileen Kennedy RIP	
Mass attendance last weekend: 179 Last week's first collection: £477.58; Gift Aid: £144.15. Collection for Easter Flowers: £ 118.71. Thank you.	Reading Rota	9am	5pm
	Today	Peter O'Brien	Tony Scanlon
	Next Week	Paul Keenan	Crystal Kofie

Welcome to our celebration of Mass. Today we begin Holy Week.

Holy Week is the greatest week in the Church's year, so please take part as much as you can. *By taking part in the celebrations of the Liturgy we can enter into the events that happened about two thousand years ago. But we enter in, not as bystanders or casual observers but as believers, recognising our own part in what is unfolding, and also recognising the great things that God has done for us.* We can share with Jesus His triumphant entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday, His special celebration of the Passover with His disciples at the Last Supper and then His agony and betrayal in the Garden on Maundy Thursday, all the horrible events of Good Friday, His "Sabbath Rest" on Holy Saturday, and thus we can truly share in His Resurrection on Easter Sunday.

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www.coventry-catholicdeanery.org.uk/sjtw

www.cathsocwarwick.wordpress.com

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Please pray for all the Sick of the Parish including: Anne and Abie Doherty, Bob Jones, John McKelvie, David Martin, Anne Healy, Patsy Sarayar, Mary Smith, Dave Chimber, Kathleen Gavin, Danny Harrington, Phil Irwin, Kath Kearney, Ann Bullock, Bridget Cherry, Betty Mulvaney, Tom Murray, Eddie Kelly, Tess Skerrett, Alice Horner, Enid Butcher, Ann Kelly, Mari Meadowcroft, Terry Richards, Eleanor Oldham, Uthaya Swoboda, Gabrielle, Brian McLaughlin, Beryl Poppett, Margaret Dunne, Val O'Leary, Keelin Treharne, Ted Rodgers and Eleanor Collins.

Those who have died. Please pray for **Ron Hamilton** and all who have died recently, and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Canons Peter Jones and Bernard Gerald Hodgson, Frs. Eamon Patrick Clarke, Kenneth William Collins, Joseph Barr, Michael McManus, Wilfrid Sheeran and Walter Edwards and also Mary Fitzgerald, Owen Brown, Christopher Shaughnessy, Robert Fletcher, Vera McGovern, Matthew Moloney, James Agnew, Mary O'Neill, Patrick Brady, Denis O'Keefe, Mabel Turner, Edith Brown, Daniel Conway, William Noble and Philip Campion. May they rest in peace.

St. Joseph's Candle is burning this week for Abie Doherty (get well).

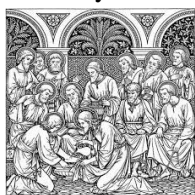
Palm Sunday. Today is Palm Sunday. We shall begin outside the church and process in, waving our palm branches.



Wednesday: The Chrism Mass. The Archbishop will celebrate the Chrism Mass at 11.30 on Wednesday morning in St. Chad's Cathedral. The Chrism Mass is the occasion when the Holy Oils are blessed which are used for all Baptisms, Confirmations, Ordinations and Anointings of the Sick in the diocese during the coming year. It is also the occasion when the priests of the diocese renew their commitment of service to God and the Church.



Maundy Thursday: The Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00 on Maundy Thursday evening is the end of Lent and the start of the Easter Triduum. At this Mass we celebrate the institution of the Sacraments of the Eucharist and the Priesthood.



Watching at the Altar of Repose. When the Mass of the Last Supper ends we shall process to the Jordan Room at the back of the church where we shall keep watch with Jesus, remembering His Agony in the Garden and His acceptance of His Father's will.

Good Friday: On Good Friday there is no Mass, but at 3.00 in the afternoon there is a "Solemn Celebration" of the Passion of our Lord. The form is:



1. *The Introductory Rites*
2. *The Liturgy of the Word*
3. *The Veneration of the Cross*
4. *Holy Communion*

Holy Saturday: We do not celebrate Mass on Holy Saturday, the Lord's Day of Rest in the tomb, but in the evening starting at 8.30 we begin our Easter celebrations with the Easter Vigil which is the greatest event in the Church's year. There are four parts:

1. *The Service of Light*
2. *The Liturgy of the Word*
3. *The Liturgy of Baptism*
4. *The Liturgy of the Eucharist*



Easter Triduum. There is a list in the church porch inviting people to sign up for various roles at the services of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday – welcoming, reading, having feet washed, serving, watching at the altar of repose. Please don't be shy.

Stations of the Cross this evening at 4.15 pm, and on Good Friday at 7.00 pm. There will also be Stations for children at 10.30 am on Good Friday morning.

Prayer of the Church. There will be Morning Prayer when possible this week and also the Office of Readings on Good Friday and Holy Saturday.

The Coventry Churches Good Friday Walk in the Precinct, meeting near Methodist Central Hall at 10.45 am with an open air Service in Shelton Square at 11.00 am followed by a Walk of Witness to Holy Trinity Church. For full details please see poster in porch.

The collection on Good Friday is for the Holy Places – i.e. for the upkeep of the sites in the Holy Land associated with the life of the Lord.

Traditionally the collection at the Easter Masses is your personal offering to your priest. There are envelopes at the back of church to use if you wish, some for me and some for Fr. Paul. Thank you.

Easter Monday Mass: 10.00 am at St. Osburg's. This custom is a profession of faith in the Real Presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. There will be no other Mass in the Deanery that morning and we are encouraged to come together to celebrate Easter.

200 Club winners: 1st Prize, £15: No. 100, Anne Doherty; 2nd Prize, £5: No. 106, Tom Knowles.

"My Day By Day" Easter Booklets are available in the porch (£1). They contain the Mass readings starting on Good Friday and going on until the end of May.

First Holy Communions (Sunday, 30th April) and **Confirmation** (Sunday, 28th May). Please pray for those preparing for these Sacraments.

Divine Mercy Sunday Devotions at St Mary's Church, Raglan Street on Sunday, 23rd April, 1.30pm, with Mass approx. 3.45pm. See poster in the porch for more details.

May God bless you all this Holy Week.
Fr. Harry