

Palm Sunday, 2023



Saturday, 1st April at 6.30pm (*Mass intention: Mrs Alice Norris RIP*)

Sunday, 2nd April, 9.30am
(*Mass intention: Elaine Harvey*)

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the king of Israel.

Hosanna in the highest.

Priest: ✠ In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit

All: **Amen**

Priest: The Lord be with you

All: **And with your Spirit.**

Priest: Dear brothers and sisters, since the beginning of Lent until now we have prepared our hearts by penance and charitable works. Today we gather together to herald with the whole church this beginning of the celebration of our Lord's Paschal Mystery, that is to say, of his Passion and Resurrection. For it was to accomplish this mystery that he entered his own city of Jerusalem. Therefore, with all faith and devotion, let us commemorate the Lord's entry into the city for our salvation, following in his footsteps, so that, being made by his grace partakers of the Cross, we may have a share also in his Resurrection and in his life.

The palms are blessed:

Almighty ever-living God, sanctify ✠ these branches with your blessing, that we, who follow Christ the King in exultation, may reach the eternal Jerusalem through him. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

The palms are sprinkled with Holy Water

Gospel Reading Matthew 21.1-11

The Lord be with you

All: And with your Spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

All: Glory to you, O Lord

After the Gospel Reading

The gospel of the Lord

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

The 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 live and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Please be seated for the readings:

First reading: Isaiah 50.4-7

Psalm response: ***My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?***

Second reading: Philippians 2.6-11

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 on high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you O Christ, king of eternal glory! Lord Jesus Christ word of the Father, Son of God.

In place of the Gospel and Sermon, we listen to the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to St Matthew. **If you find this too long to stand please feel free to sit.**

Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only son, Our Lord, *who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary*, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy Catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body and life everlasting. Amen.

Offertory

Prayer over the gifts: 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 one for all, we may feel already the effects of your mercy. Through Christ our Lord.

Eucharistic Prayer:

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

Preface

Sanctus: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

(Please Kneel)

Eucharistic Prayer

Take this all of you, and eat of it,
For this is my body,
Which will be given up for you...

Take this, all of you, and drink from it,
For this is the chalice of my Blood.

The blood of the new and eternal covenant, which will be poured out for you
and for many for the forgiveness of sins.
Do this in memory of me.

The Mystery of faith.

**All: We proclaim your death O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you
come again.**

The Communion Rite: (Please Stand)

The Lord's Prayer

**All: Our Father who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name; Thy Kingdom come,
thy will be done on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil.**

Deliver us Lord...

As we await the blessed hope and the coming of our saviour Jesus Christ.
For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours, now and for ever.

Amen.

Lord Jesus Christ, who said to your Apostles...

Who live and reign forever and ever.

Amen

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

All: And with your Spirit.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

(Please kneel)

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb.

**All: Lord I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say
the word and my soul shall be healed.**

*Please come forward to receive Communion or to receive a blessing. If you wish
to receive a blessing please come forward with your arms crossed on your chest.*

Communion antiphon: 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.

Notices:

HOLY WEEK AT ST MARGARET MARY CHURCH

Saturday, 1st April 6.30pm Vigil Mass (Alice Norris RIP) **with Blessing of Palms**

PALM SUNDAY, 2nd April, 9.30am Mass (Elaine Harvey) **and 11am Mass** (Ellen
McConway RIP)

Monday, 3rd 7pm Mass (Angela Pursell RIP)

Tuesday 4th 9.15am Mass (Soul of Tracey RIP)

Wednesday 5th 9.15am Mass.(Cecilia Smally) **11.30am Chrism Mass at St Chad's
Cathedral.**

TRIDUUM:

Maundy Thursday, 6th April, 7.30pm MASS (Intention: Thomas Harvey) **OF THE
LORD'S SUPPER, FOOT WASHING AND PROCESSION TO THE ALTAR OF
REPOSE, WATCH OVERNIGHT**

Good Friday, 7th April

**10.30am Ecumenical Act of Witness Erdington town centre, meet outside
Coop.**

2pm Stations of the Cross

3pm DIVINE LITURGY

Holy Saturday, 8th April 11am 'Świecenie potraw Wielkanocnych' - the Polish Tradition of the blessing of baskets. All welcome.

8.30pm EASTER VIGIL, BLESSING OF THE EASTER FIRE, THE PASCHAL CANDLE, THE FONT AND RENEWAL OF BAPTISM, RECEPTION INTO THE CHURCH AND FIRST COMMUNION OF EASTER.

EASTER DAY, 9th APRIL 9.30am Mass (Barnabas Nchengha Agendia) and 11am Mass (Vincent Byrne RIP, grandfather of our organist)

* Figures for 26/3/2023, Gift Aid: £66; Loose: £257.30 ; Building Fund: £5.
Attendance: 191

* **Confessions before Easter: Maundy Thursday 6.30pm-7.15pm; Good Friday after the 3pm liturgy; Holy Saturday (3 April) 12 Noon – 1pm or by appointment**

* **If you are a reader at mass, please check you are reading during Holy Week, and please will you rehearse your reading?**

* **Our foodbank:** Thomas Joseph, training to be a deacon, has led an appeal for foodbank items, including baked beans, pasta, pasta sauces, tinned veg, tinned fruit and treats for Easter, PLEASE BRING IN BY THIS WEEKEND. Our foodbank coordinator is Carmel Dowdall is on 07943 577638

* Holy Week sign up sheet is on the table at the back, please sign up for foot washing and for the Vigil on Maundy Thursday/Good Friday.

* The Portal magazine portalmag.co.uk is out on 1 April: <https://soundcloud.com/user-666404058> for the weekly podcast.

* **Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage:** An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to the annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 29th April at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass to sign up.

- * Please speak to Terry Brown (07969 978007) about your giving at this crucial time of our church's future development and high energy cost times.

- * *'Most Highly Favoured Lady'* – Ordinariate Conference open to all at Walthamstow, 2-4th May, 2023. Keynote speaker: Mother Winsome Durrant, Sisters of the Blessed Virgin Mary, Maryvale. Cost £30 per head, which covers meals. See Fr Simon for form which when completed send to christthekingchingford@gmail.com or post to Christ the King RC Church, 455 Chingford Road, London E4 8EP.

- *Pope Francis' Apostleship of prayer for April: **For a culture of peace and non-violence.** *We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.*

- * A fridge and freezer and washing machine - good quality - available. Please contact Andrew Usowitz on 07423 631896

- *If you have been collecting for Mary's Meals through the blue boxes, please would you bring them in by the end of Lent.

- ***Eternal Word Television Network** (EWTN) homilies during Lent from Ordinariate priests, including Fr Simon (Lent 5). <https://youtube.com/playlist?list=PL0VIBzUq4jC50CfMZakXzErK27Qxofl18>

- ***Sycamore Course** Summer 2023 at St Margaret Mary Church
6pm-7pm
Newman Gallery in Church (upstairs)
10 May The existence of God
24 May A God who speaks
7 June Who is Jesus?
21 June The Holy Spirit and the Church
12 July The Holy Bible
19 July Gift of Faith
26 July Baptism and the Sacraments

- * Archdiocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes is 27 May – 2 June, for details and booking, go to <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/birmingham-lde> If you would like to join the

Lourdes pilgrimage and would like to join the music ministry band, please contact Jobe Sullivan on ceolgency@gmail.com

* 'Spring into Summer' Community event on Witton Lodge 12 -3pm is now moved to Saturday, 29th April. St Margaret Mary Church will be running a chocolate lucky dip stall. Please let Fr Simon know if you are interested in helping. Proceeds to J T Hospice.

***Prayers for the departed:**

William Charles Edwin Chew, Mick Lawrence, Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI, Sr Deidre Michael SBVM, Fr Michael Beattie SJ, Cyril (Ray) Bricknall, Cardinal George Pell, David Bevington, Rita (Margaret) McNamara, Joan Dyke, Shirley Williams, John Montague, Peter Iriabe, Mick Lawrence, Mary Margaret (Molly) Wilson, Christiana K. Chukwurah, Mary Russell, Richard Edwards, Rachel Upham, Jane Young, Fr Richard Smith, David Coffey, Janina Demska, George Grouse, Bishop David McGough, May Veasey RIP

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