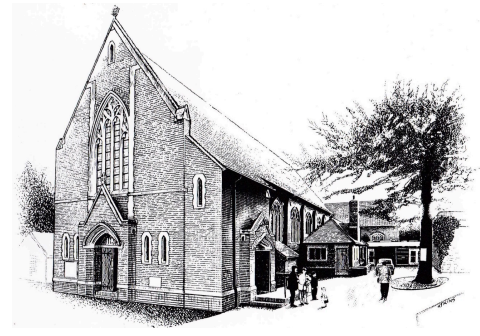


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24TH MARCH 2024

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

PSALTER WEEK 2

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SACRAMENTS

BECOMING A CATHOLIC: Want to learn more about becoming a Catholic? Please write/speak to the Parish Priest.

BAPTISM OF CHILDREN: Collect form from priest after Mass.

HOLY COMMUNION VISITS: Holy Communion is taken to the housebound of the parish regularly; please make contact with Parish Office if required.

CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 10:30-11:30 & 17:15-17:50 & at other times when a priest is in the confessional or by appointment.

MARRIAGE: E-mail Parish Office min. 6 months in advance.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Contact Parish Office if you or someone for whom you are responsible requires the Anointing of the Sick. In the event of urgent need (danger of death) telephone 020 8660 3815 (& leave a message if necessary).

Courses for First Holy Communion & Confirmation will be advertised in the newsletter & at Masses when registration is open.

DEVOTIONS & ACTIVITIES

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: Saturdays after 10:00 Mass, concluding with **BENEDICTION** c.11:30.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Fridays in Lent at 19:30.

HOLY ROSARY: First Fridays after the 10:00 Mass.

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Thursdays after 10am Mass.

YOUTH CLUB: Sundays in term-time, Parish Hall 16:15-17:45.

SOCIAL EVENTS

PARISH AFTERNOON TEA: Wednesday 24 April at 14:00. Full details overleaf; tickets on sale from Easter onwards.

PARISH MUSIC CONCERT: Saturday 1st June at 19:00.

ST JOHN THE BAPTIST CELEBRATIONS: By permission of Archbishop John Wilson, we will keep the Feast of the Nativity of St John the Baptist - usually 24 June - on Sun. 23rd June. Parish celebrations on the Vigil, Saturday 22nd June; details to follow.

Please pray for those who have recently died including: Desmond Sheriff, Lee Bartholomew, and Peggy Doust;
and for those whose anniversaries are at this time: Patrick Brett, Teresa Bearne, Alexander Holmes, Caroline Teal, Martin Allen, Scott Budge, Bernard Mitchell, Peggy Goodfellow, Richard Vella, Frank Orski, Johanna Hawker, Mae Long, Sadie Dowling, Philomena Lawton, Anne Austin, and Richard Mulcahy.

and also for those unwell: Toni Kowal, Theodora-Angelica Acha, Joanne Walker, Jane Pollon, Alan Griffiths, Douglas Johnston, Teresa Holmes, Ryan Baker, Michael Edwards, Neil Ockenden, Maria Valenti, David Palmer, Paulin Carpenter, Canon David Caine, Freya Durrant, Nick Phillips, Anne Mawer, Margaret Swadling, Ian Stewart, Neville Dourado, and Mary Marshall.

EASTER OFFERINGS TO PARISH CLERGY

In the Archdiocese of Southwark, priests are not salaried. Their income comes mainly from Mass stipends (donations tied to Mass intentions), stole fees (offerings for funerals/weddings/baptisms etc.), and the Christmas and Easter offerings. **The Christmas and Easter offerings constitute the largest sources of the clergy's annual income.**

You can contribute by using the [DONATE](#) page on the parish website, making a bank transfer direct to our parish bank account (mark **EASTER**), using one of the contactless machines in the entrance area of the church (select "Easter offering"), or by using a marked envelope (which can be given during the collection or via the presbytery letterbox). Please Gift Aid if you can. *Thank you for anything you feel able to give!*

You can **donate** to the parish [via our website](#), via the collection at Mass, by making a direct bank transfer to the parish bank account, or by **scanning our QR code with your mobile** →



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Collection on Good Friday: Holy Places



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

1st: Acts 10:34,37-43
Psalm: 117(118):1-2,16-17,22-23
2nd: Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel: John 20:1-9

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 24th March

PALM SUNDAY

18:00 (Sat) Margaret & Les
Cameron RIP

08:30 JFS All parishioners

08:30 Teresa Loughnane RIP

10:00 John & Anne Parsons
RIP

12:00 Joseph Candido De
Souza RIP

18:00 Laura Bortoletto
Severino RIP*

* = *Not live streamed*

Monday 25th March

MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK

07:30 Pauline Royle RIP

10:00 Patrick Goulding RIP

Tuesday 26th March

TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

10:00 Welfare Sonoram family

Wednesday 27th March

WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK

07:30 Dec'd family & friends of
the Stanes & Perkins families

NO 10AM DUE TO CHRISM MASS

Thursday 28th March

THURSDAY OF HOLY WEEK

10.00 Holy Souls

**THE EASTER
TRIDUUM BEGINS**

MAUNDY THURSDAY

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

19:30 Pauline Cove RIP

Friday 29th March

GOOD FRIDAY

15.00 Liturgy of the Lord's
Passion *also at JFS*

Saturday 30th March

HOLY SATURDAY

**THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE
HOLY NIGHT**

21.00 (Vigil) John Cook RIP

Sunday 31st March

EASTER SUNDAY

08:30 JFS All parishioners

08:30 John Joe Brice RIP

10:00 Ken Simmonds RIP

12:00 Welfare Dominic
Mosconi

No Evening Mass

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Funeral Mass

at St John the Baptist

Friday 12th April - 12:00

Desmond Sheriff RIP

- HOLY WEEK & EASTER TRIDUUM TIMETABLE -

Paper copies in church - [available online here](#)

LENTEN MASSES IN C.U.H.: Holy Mass will be celebrated in the chapel at Croydon University Hospital at 12:00 on Monday 25th March. All are welcome.

YOUTH CLUB: This Sunday 24th March is the last Youth Club session before the Easter holidays. Youth Club returns on Sunday 21st April (16:15-17:45) with spring activities.

PARISH OFFICE: Please note that the parish office will be closed from Good Friday the 29th March and will reopen on Tuesday 9th April at 09:00.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION - HOLY PLACES: The places connected with Our Lord's Passion have always been centres of veneration and pilgrimage. This Good Friday collection is sent for their upkeep, and to help maintain Christian schooling in the area. With Christians in the region facing existential threats now more than ever, please help keep the light of Christ aglow in the Holy Land.

SIMNEL CAKE: Many thanks for your generous donations, which will be enjoyed after the Easter Vigil.

EASTER SUNDAY - JFS CHAPEL COFFEE: Next **Sunday 31st March** in the Sixth Form block after the 08:30 Mass: tea, coffee, and a variety of delicious savouries and cakes - possibly with an Easter theme. All welcome!

EASTER HOUSE BLESSINGS: In Eastertide (the weeks following Easter) the parish clergy will be blessing the homes of those faithful of the parish who wish them to do so; see next week's newsletter for details of how to "book a blessing".

PARISH AFTERNOON TEA: Wednesday 24th April at 14:00 in the Parish Hall. Ladies & gentlemen are invited to bring friends and family for a traditional *sparkling* afternoon tea. A variety of sandwiches, scones with clotted cream & jam, cakes, tea, coffee, gin cocktail/mocktail, plus music and good company. All served on vintage china. Tickets on sale after Easter - priced at £10pp. E-mail Jan: jan_czezowski@hotmail.com or call 07836204326.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Bishop Philip Moger will be leading the Southwark diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 27th April. The coach leaves at 7am from outside St George's Cathedral on Lambeth Road, and will return at 9pm. £30 per person. For more information e-mail admin@stgeorges.org.uk.

FAITH SUMMER BREAK FOR 11-15 YEAR OLDS: Set in the beautiful grounds of St Mary's, Ascot, the Faith Summer Break is an exciting four days for 11-15 year olds combining both faith and fun activities in a relaxed holiday setting. Running from **Monday 12th - Thursday 15th August 2024**, the week is structured around getting to know God and each other and includes Holy Mass each day, talks about the Catholic Faith, discussions, prayer, quizzes, art and craft, games, sports and a visit to Thorpe Park. Costs £200 [£50 deposit, full amount due on arrival]; subsidies available where needed. Further details and booking form [here](#). Fr Francis will be helping with the week; let's ensure a good Purley showing!

MAKING A NEW START: Beginning Experience is a residential weekend programme for widowed, separated, and divorced people which helps participants with natural feelings of grief and loss. The weekend is led by trained volunteers who have experienced having to adjust to life as single people again. The next programme will be on April 12-14. Phone 0208 647 4760 or e-mail besouthofengland@gmail.com.

GOOD FRIDAY ECUMENICAL ACT OF WITNESS: Churches Together (Beddington and Wallington) invites you to join a Good Friday Act of Witness (12:15 - 13:00) at Wallington Old Town Hall on Good Friday. Singing and Bible reading by way of affirming those things held in common by different Christians. Refreshments afterwards. Venue: Wallington Methodist Church. E-mail alice_m-gem@yahoo.co.uk.