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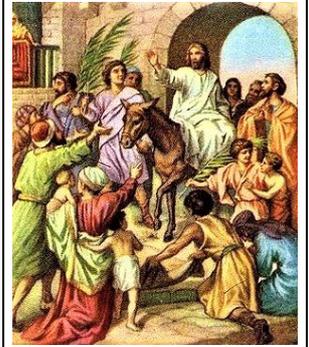
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SUNDAY

DATE
Sunday 10th April 2022

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

DIVINE OFFICE
Week 2

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.
NB The Sunday Obligation remains suspended until further notice.

Saturday 9th April (1 st Mass of Sunday)	6:00pm	Int. of Catherine & Paul Shepherd (40th Wed Ann) ^(CS)
Sunday 10th April Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	9:30am 11:30am 5:00pm	Int. of John Wilkinson (Birthday) ^(SW) People of the Parish Stations of the Cross
Monday 11th April Monday of Holy Week		No Services Today
Tuesday 12th April Tuesday of Holy Week	9.15am	Margaret Jones RIP ^(PD)
Wednesday 13th April Wednesday of Holy Week	9.15am	John Wynne RIP (Kerrigan Family)
Thursday 14th April Maundy Thursday	10.00am 7.30pm	Morning Prayer Eric Higgitt RIP ^(P&MH)
Friday 15th April Good Friday	10.00am 3.00pm 7.00pm	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer Liturgy of the Passion Stations of the Cross
Saturday 16th April Holy Saturday (Solemn Easter Vigil)	10.00am 8:00pm	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer Jim Powell RIP ^(JH)
Sunday 17th April Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord	9.30am	People of the Parish

Pope Francis:

The Season of Lent calls us to place our faith and hope in the Lord, since only if we fix our gaze on the risen Christ will we be able to respond to the Apostle's appeal, "Let us never grow tired of doing good".

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed for those who cannot attend Mass at this time. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If you do not wish to appear on the screen during the distribution of communion you are asked to sit on the right of the church.

Headteacher Vacancy

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Primary School, Aldridge

Following the early retirement of our Headteacher, St. Mary of the Angels Primary School is looking to appoint a new Headteacher from September 2022. This advert, and all relevant material pertaining to the application process, can be found on the school website: www.st-maryangel.walsall.sch.uk/website

Closing date for applications is **9am, Tuesday 26th April 2022**

Church Cleaners

As this is Holy Week, we traditionally ask all of the cleaning groups to assist in getting the church ready to celebrate the Lord's Passion. Please come along to help at a time that is most convenient to you. If the church is not open and Father Craig is not in attendance, please contact John T who has keys.

Coffee Morning Rota

The latest copy of the Coffee Morning Rota is now available. If you are a volunteer for this, please be sure to pick up your named envelope from the porch.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of April is: **For health care workers**. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them.

Please remember especially:

Jacqui Bird, Alison Welton, Fr. Tony Rohan, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Max Miotk, Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

Poverty Challenge: See, Judge, Act

Following the pandemic, many households now also face new hardships as prices rise. Caritas Social Action Network (CSAN), the Catholic agency addressing poverty and injustice in England and Wales, has released a free new booklet to increase awareness of Catholic Social Teaching on poverty, and to inform local responses. Please take a moment to read and encourage groups and individuals to engage with it. Download from www.csan.org.uk

CAF+D

(Palm Sunday)

We pray for all refugees. Help them, Lord, to find safe places to call home and people ready to welcome, respect and support them.

Lenten Almsgiving Charity

This year our Lenten parish collection, using the 'Lenten Almsgiving Box', which can be found at the back of church, will be to support the **ACN Emergency Aid to the Ukraine** appeal. This collection will be to support the Church in Ukraine as it ministers to its people during this time of war.

2022 Diocesan Directories

The 2022 edition of the Diocesan Directory is no available in the Sacristy. If you would like a copy we ask that you make a £5 contribution towards the cost of its production. Monies for the Directories can be placed into the 'Newspaper' slot in the porch.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham



The Archdiocesan pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham will be taking place on **Saturday 14th May** beginning at **1pm**. The Mass, and the theme of the pilgrimage, will be '**Our Lady, Queen of the Apostles**'. There is a poster in the church porch advertising this pilgrimage which gives more information about the programme for the day. If you are interested in going on this pilgrimage to 'England's Nazareth' please speak to Fr. Craig.

Easter Offering Envelopes

The envelopes, used to make your Easter Offering to your Parish Priest, are now available in the porch.

Craft & Natter

We are now having a break for two weeks returning on **26th April** at 11am. We look forward to seeing everyone back then, plus possibly more new members? For more information call me, Christine, on 07900604902.

Parish Celebration



At the end of the Easter Vigil you are invited, by those newly received into the Church, to join them in the Parish Meeting Room to celebrate this important moment in their lives. I know that it will be late, however, there will be a glass of wine and some nibbles! Please do come in and congratulate the five new members of our Parish Family on this wonderful occasion!

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Donnell Burns**, **Rosemary Bunce** and **Michael Matthew Hardiman** who passed away recently. On whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace. Donnell's Requiem Mass will be celebrated at **12noon** on **Thursday 21st April**.

Rosaries for the World

The Catenian Association Rosary Group is collecting rosaries to be distributed to Catholics in some of the poorest parts of our world. If you have any old rosaries, or you are willing to purchase a new set for donation, please place them in the collection box in the porch.

Praying for the Unborn



As we enter into Holy Week and reflect upon the Passion of our Lord, we pray for all those going through their own passion. We pray especially for mothers with unexpected pregnancies in this society that often encourages them to have an abortion, that they would feel love and support from their families and neighbours, and that they would find peace and joy in the midst of their circumstances. Amen.

Good Friday Collection

On Good Friday, at the end of the Solemn Liturgy of the Passion, there will be a retiring collection for the **Holy Places**. This is our annual collection that goes to support the Christians living in the Holy Land.

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

50-50 Club

The winners of the draw for February entrants drawn on 27th March:

1 st Prize	BL	54	£150
2 nd Prize	SG	85	£60
3 rd Prize	JC	38	£35
4 th Prize	EH	16	£20

Total prize money this month: £265

If you are interested in joining our Parish 50/50 Draw, it costs £5 per number paid monthly via standing order, please speak to either Fr. Craig or Sue W.

Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 28th June

7pm Tuesday 13th September

7pm Tuesday 15th November

And finally:- Today marks the beginning of Holy Week, and the Church's solemn celebration of the Lord's Passion, Death and Resurrection. This year, after two years of restrictions, we will once more be able to celebrate the Sacred Triduum services with the solemnity that they truly deserve. This year, as I alluded to last weekend, there will be one slight change to the norm, and this pertains to Good Friday and the veneration of the Cross. This year, instead of venerating the cross with a kiss, we are invited to come forward and touch the cross with our hand as a sign of devotion and love. Please could I also ask that you remember in your prayers those who are entering into the final week of preparation for their reception into the Church this Easter. I pray that you all have a blessed and fruitful Holy Week, and that the Easter celebration will fill you with the joy of the Resurrection.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig