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Newsletter

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2024 Year of Prayer

Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord (B)

Holy Week Vol II, psalter week 2

TODAY'S MASS

Gospel: As we are in Year B, we hear *Mark's* account of Christ's entry into Jerusalem on the colt of a donkey.

First Reading (Isaiah 50:4-7): in what is known as one of *Isaiah's* Songs of the Suffering Servant, the sufferer's innocence and unflinching resolve are emphasised.

Psalm (Ps.21:8-9.17-20.23-24. R.v2): Based on Jesus' own quotation of this psalm on the Cross (as we hear in the Passion reading) the Church interprets this as a prophecy of the Messiah's passion.

Second Reading (Phil 2:6-11): In a beautifully poetic passage, St Paul explains Christ's incarnation and crucifixion.

Passion (Mk 14:1-15:47): In *Mark's* account, we hear of the anointing of Jesus's feet by a woman, the Last Supper, the betrayal by Judas, the slumber of the disciples, the prayer and

arrest of Jesus in the Garden of Gethsemane, His 'trial' before the High Priest and before Pontius Pilate, Peter's denial, Christ's scourging and crucifixion, and His burial in a tomb.

Fr David



Entry of Christ into Jerusalem, Pietro Lorenzetti, c. 1320, Assisi

Collect your palm, hymn book etc, and assemble outside the Entrance to the Church. Follow the Celebrant and Altar Servers in the Procession or Solemn Entrance into Church.

After entry into the Church, the Penitential Act and Gloria are omitted and Mass continues with the Collect. At the 10.00am Mass the shorter form of the Passion will be read; at other Masses the longer form. There is no greeting before the Passion, nor candles or incense. Please join in the crowd parts of the Passion; all kneel and pause a moment after the verse "But Jesus gave a loud cry and breathed his last". The Creed and Prayer of the Faithful are prayed as normal.

HOLY WEEK

Full details of Holy Week and Easter can be found in the *Holy Week & Easter 2024* booklet.

THE PARISH PASTORAL TEAM

Parish Priest: Canon David Gibbons, KCHS
Parish Clergy: Fr Matthew Donnelly, Fr Jackson Sebastian and Deacon Julian Burling
Team member: Sr Dorothy Perrott OSU
Faith Minister: Rob Hitchcock

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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school@sacredheart.merton.sch.uk
Headteacher: Lorraine Dolan-Walsh

Holy Week

MONDAY, TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY

Holy Mass as usual at 10.00am and 6.30pm. Confessions 10.30-11.30am and 6.00-6.20pm. Please do not join the queue later than 6.10pm, to enable the priest to prepare for the Mass.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday as usual (10.30am-12.00 noon and 5.25-6.25pm).

ROBERT LO RIP

Funeral Mass in Church at 4.00pm on Monday. The Cremation will be on Tuesday morning.

MONDAY: PARISH PASTORAL TEAM MEETING

Now that Frs David and Jackson and Rob are settled in there will be a meeting of the Pastoral Team (the Clergy, Sister Dorothy and our Faith Minister) to review how things are going and to plan for the future.

MONDAY: LENT PENANCE SERVICE 7.15PM

A short Liturgy of Penance, with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, and individual Confessions. If you haven't yet made your pre-Easter Confession, this is the time to come. There will be visiting priests in addition to our priests.

TUESDAY: MUSICAL MEDITATION 7.15PM

David Gammie will play a seasonal selection of inspirational music by Bach, Dupré and Liszt on the organ, to help you meditate on the saving work of our Saviour.

WEDNESDAY: DIOCESAN CHRISM MASS

At 11.30am in St George's Cathedral, Southwark. You are advised to get there in good time if you want a seat.

The Easter Triduum

"The sacred Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord shines forth as the high point of the entire liturgical year" (Roman Missal p132). The three days form a whole, and you should attend the principal liturgy on each day if you possibly can.

MAUNDY THURSDAY (28TH)

Confessions 10.30-11.30am and 6.00-6.20pm.

The **Mass of the Lord's Supper**, including the Washing of Feet and transfer of the Most Blessed Sacrament, and followed by the Watch before the Altar of Repose until midnight, begins at 8.00pm.

GOOD FRIDAY (29TH)

Good Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence. The only sacraments permitted this day are Penance and Holy

Communion to the sick. Morning Prayer at 9.00am. Confessions 10.30-11.30am. Children's Stations of the Cross 11.00am, Young People's Stations of the Cross 6.15pm, and traditional Stations of the Cross 7.15pm.

Ecumenical Walk of Witness starting at Lantern Methodist Church, ending at 11.00am.

The **Good Friday Liturgy** (the celebration of our Lord's Passion) is at 3.00pm.

The Second Collection (there isn't a First Collection) is for the upkeep of the Holy Places of Palestine.

HOLY SATURDAY (30TH)

A day of fasting - as we wait at the Lord's tomb - until the Vigil. Holy Communion may only be given this day as Viaticum. The Office of Readings and

Morning Prayer will be celebrated at 9.00am. Confessions 10.30-11.30am and 6.00-6.20pm.

The traditional blessing of Easter meal baskets is at 12.00noon during a short service.

THE EASTER LITURGY

Begins at 8.00pm: This Mass is the Mass of the Resurrection: you should attend it if you possibly can.

EASTER SUNDAY (31ST)

Holy Mass at the normal times: 8.00am, 10.00am, 12.00noon (Solemn Latin), 5.00pm, 8.00pm.

(Reminder: the clocks go forward on Saturday night.)

Parish Notices

RECEPTION & PARISH OFFICE

The Reception and Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday and Easter Monday.

YOUTH 2000 COMES TO SACRED HEART

On 11th May Sacred Heart will host a Youth 2000 event. Youth 2000's-day event is where young people (aged between 16-35) can experience an

encounter with God. It will be supported by the young people at 9 Edge Hill, priests and religious and of course the parish. It is eucharistic centred, with a special Mass at 4.30pm, and with a devotion to Mary, and is a day filled with great content.

We are looking for anyone who would be willing to host some of the team, speakers and priests who will be coming

for the event. It will just simply be a bed for the night on 11th May and we would greatly appreciate it. Anyone who can help please email Max Toone on mjrtoone@gmail.com.

FINANCE

The total collected for CAFOD was £2,051.32. This does not include any donations made directly to CAFOD.

Thank you for your generosity.

Diocesan and Other Notices

SOUTHWARK DIOCESE PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

On Saturday 27th April Bishop Philip Moger will lead the pilgrimage during this 2024 Year of Prayer. A coach has been arranged from Upper Norwood parish to drive direct to the Shrine. There will be adoration and confessions at the Basilica from 11.00am, Mass at 12.00noon, packed lunch, and 2.15pm procession to the Ancient Abbey grounds (dating to around 1061AD). For more details please telephone Fr James Clark 020 8670 2777 or email norwoodupper@rcaos.org.uk.

THE WIMBLEDON MARRIAGE CARE CENTRE

The Centre needs people to act as chaperones with their in-person counsellors. Weekday or evening sessions are being offered at the moment. They are building a small team of chaperones. Training given. Please contact the Centre coordinator for more information c.a.weeks@hotmail.com.

VACANCIES

[La Retraite Catholic Girls' School](#), Clapham Park: Congratulations to the school, which recently received a double 'Outstanding' in both the OFSTED and Diocesan inspections. The school is looking for a 'dynamic and

inspirational person' to join the governing board: contact cbaskott@laretraite.co.uk to find out more about the role.

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[Ursuline Links](#), a volunteer programme providing opportunities for young adults to be of service in the UK and abroad, are recruiting a Director to action the strategic direction for the charity's future; 37.5 hrs/week, Forest Gate, London, permanent contract. To find out more about the role/for applications please email officemanager@ursulines-ru.uk; closing date 19th April.

NEWMAN CIRCLE

Newman Circle Meeting on Tuesday 16 April at 7.30pm in the Parish Lounge. All are welcome to a talk by Fr Dominic Robinson SJ, Parish Priest at the Church of Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, and chair of the Westminster Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission on 'What is the Church's Teaching on Climate Change? Should we care? Do we care?'

ST RAPHAEL'S HOSPICE

This Catholic charity is looking for volunteers to offer some time each week to work at their charity shop in Wimbledon Village. Please contact Fr Matthew if interested.

New to the Parish?

Please introduce yourself to a member of the Parish Team after Mass and register online at www.sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

or by filling in a registration form, available at the back of the church.

FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Friday 5th April at 2.30pm in the Lounge: do come for tea and cakes and a fun Quiz. All are welcome!

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

Are you coping with the loss of a loved one? Are you having difficulties adjusting to life without that person? Our Bereavement Support is there to help. It meets on the last Saturday of every month in the Lounge, 10.30-11.30am. Next meeting on Saturday 30th March. Everyone, whether bereaved recently or a while ago, is welcome. For more information call 07865 204 995 or please email bereavement.group@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk.

HELP WITH PARISH ACCOUNTS

Do you have accountancy skills which you could put to good use as a volunteer in reporting to and advising the Finance Committee? For more information please contact Chris Woodward at finance@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk.

Exploring our Faith

LOVE HEALS BODY MIND AND SPIRIT

You are invited to come to a 1-day retreat of quiet reflection on Saturday 6th April, 11am-4.30pm, at the Catholic Church of our Lady of Assumption & St Gregory, Piccadilly, W1F 9JR; Holy Rosary, Latin Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Celebrant Priest: Fr Mark Elliott); lunch break, talk based on Scripture, Catholic Christian Meditation, Blessed Adoration - Divine Mercy, Individual Healing Prayers. For more information, please visit www.lovehealsbodymindspirit.com.

DIVINE MERCY APOSTOLATE

The Divine Mercy Apostolate, London is holding a Preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday Retreat at Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent on Saturday 6th April, 10.00am-4.30pm. The retreat will include teachings on the Message of Divine Mercy, Holy Mass, Hour of Mercy with Stations of the Cross, Adoration and Benediction and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All welcome. Call Millie on 07957 594 646 for more information. Coaches from Ealing Broadway and Victoria.

SAFEGUARDING

It is the policy of the Catholic Church in England and Wales to report all allegations of abuse to statutory authorities, regardless of whether the abuse occurred recently or in the past, or whether the accused person is living or deceased. If you are concerned about the welfare of a child or adult at risk, do not delay in contacting the police, using 999 if a child or adult is believed to be in immediate danger. Further safeguarding information can be found on the parish website.

Parish Safeguarding Reps:

Victoria Wheatley (wimbledonsg1@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

Kathleen Kirkland (wimbledonsg2@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

Siobhán Heffron (wimbledonsg3@safeguard.rcaos.org.uk)

CELEBRANTS FOR THIS SUNDAY

6.30pm (Sat) Fr Matthew Donnelly
8.00am Fr David Gibbons
10.00am Fr Jackson Sebastian & Deacon Julian Burling
12 noon Fr Matthew Donnelly & Deacon Julian Burling
5.00pm Fr David Gibbons
8.00pm Fr Matthew Donnelly

WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Those who have died recently: Sean Kennedy, Bob Enever, Maria Gago, Denise Margaret Ann Richards, Luca Buttaci, Robert Lo, Delia Flaherty and Bernadette McHugh
Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Damaris Potter, David Moore, Gail Bhagwatsingh and Margaret O'Reily

The sick: Electa Almeida, Margaret Duffy, Karolina Masica, Felicitas Nerée, Finley Kennedy, Pauline Grimes, Sherlyn Tilton, Geoffrey Norris, Anne Lander, Olivia Chiemielska, Harriette Cahill, Hui Lee Ng, Audra Wamsteker, Paul Stromborg, Ryan Lyndsey, Samar Staussi, Emily Grey and Andrew Tan

Please note that for data protection reasons, individuals must explicitly agree for their names to be mentioned in our newsletter. Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either your name or the names of your relatives and friends should appear in our sick list.



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

Monday 25 March Monday of Holy Week

10.00am Maria, John & Carla Denardi RIP
6.30pm Patrick Leahy RIP

Tuesday 26 March Tuesday of Holy Week

10.00am Damaris Potter
6.30pm Crescencia Ngache Divine Favour

Wednesday 27 March Wednesday of Holy Week

10.00am Joe D'Costa
6.30pm Veronica Emslie good Health

Thursday 28 March Maundy Thursday

8.00pm Gayle Moretti RIP

Friday 29 March Good Friday

3.00pm The Celebration of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday 30 March The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

8.00pm People of the Parish

HOSPITAL CONTACTS

If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know.

St George's Hospital: Fr Peter Littleton (020 8725 3069 or 020 8672 1255)

St Heliers and Epsom Hospital: Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000)

Kingston Hospital: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)

MUSIC AT THE 12 NOON MASS

Processional hymn: 17 *All glory, laud and honour*

Offertory motet: *Christus factus est*, Felice Anerio

Communion motet: *O Domine Jesu Christe*, Francisco Guerrero

Communion hymn: 13 *Ah, holy Jesus, how hast thou offended*

EXPOSITION

Wednesdays & Fridays
after the 10.00am Mass
and from 5.25 - 6.25pm

RECONCILIATION

Monday - Saturday:
6.00 - 6.20pm
and Saturday morning
10.30 - 11.30am

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord (B)

First Reading Acts 10:34.37-43

Responsorial Psalm Ps 117:1-2.16-17.
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Second Reading Col 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation I Cor 5:7-8

Gospel John 20:1-9

If you wish to include items in the weekly newsletter, please keep them brief, - if possible no more than 40 words - send them by Tuesday before publication to newsletter@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk / wimparish@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

PARISH SERVICES

Parish Office/Reception Hours: 9am - 4pm (Mon-Fri), 020 8946 0305

Executive Assistant & Hall bookings: Thelma D'Costa (Mon - Fri 9am - 4pm) Caretaker: George McLennan

Parish Pastoral Council: ppc@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

Baptism, Marriage, First Sacraments, Funerals contact the parish office.

Bereavement Support: one to one support or bereavement drop-in, for more information please contact the co-ordinator by email bereavement.group@sacredheartwimbledon.org.uk

Sacred Heart SVP Conference meets to help those living locally in need. All enquiries are dealt with confidentiality. Leave contact details with the parish office or email presidentA190704@svp.org.uk.

For donations, please scan the QR Code with your phone; your donation will help fund the wide range of liturgical, spiritual and cultural activities which run in the parish. Thank you.

