

PALM SUNDAY

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 Psalter Week 2
 Sunday 13th APRIL 2025
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MASSES AND SERVICES FOR THE WEEK

SAT	12 TH APRIL	PALM SUNDAY	6.30pm	Kevin Sullivan R.I.P Well Being Wanda Barczyk and Jan Barczyk R.I.P
SUN	13 TH APRIL		10.00am	George Gould R.I.P Ben Foday R.I.P Antonio Cicillini + Concetta Piazza
MON		NO MASS		
TUES	15 TH APRIL	Tuesday of Holy Week	6.30pm	Winnie Treseder R.I.P Well Being of Pearl Ita
WED	16 TH APRIL	Wednesday of Holy Week	10.00am	Maria Conceicao Camacho R.I.P
THURS	17 TH APRIL	MAUNDY THURSDAY Mass of the Lord's Supper	7.00pm	Eileen Williams R.I.P
FRI	18 TH APRIL	GOOD FRIDAY	3.00pm
SAT	19 TH APRIL	EASTER VIGIL	7.30pm	Jack, Maureen, Janet Sexton R.I.P
SUN	20 TH APRIL	EASTER SUNDAY	10.00am	People of the Parish

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, ANNIVERSARIES AND THOSE WHO HAVE RECENTLY DIED:

We pray for those in our families or in our Parish Community who may be sick, housebound, worried or in need. We ask that the love of the Lord be with them during the coming week. To all our parishioners who are indisposed we ask that they may receive every grace and blessing.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Fr Martin Mulroy (Curate in St Patricks), Beryl Collier and Jan Barczyk. May they rest in peace.

We also pray for Evelyn Seymour, James Bradley, Guiseppe Cordina, Bernard Brocklebank, Vivian Sweeney, Pauline Cocks, Stanley Wayne, Thomas Coles, Hannah Spencer, Christina Thorburn, Bernard Poole, Stuart Young, Bernard Stuart, Edna O'Reilly, John Murphy, Edna Lyne, Helen Mannings, George Gould, Robert Dattero, Patricia Reilly, James Bevan, Arthur Nowland, Sarah Jenkins, Bernard Moorcraft, Helen Paul, Florence James, Douglas Murphy, Gerard Macquelin, Kathleen Taylor, Eileen Williams, Douglas Preece, Fr Bernard Whitehouse, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

EASTER SERVICES: Please take a small leaflet at the back of the Church to remind you of the times of the Easter Services.

COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY WILL BE FOR THE HOLY PLACES

GOD BLESS YOU IN YOUR NEW PARISH: On Tuesday last week Fr Malachy packed up his car and set off for Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church in Lampeter. We send all our good wishes and prayers and we know that we will miss him. Never forget us Fr Mal because we will not forget you.

CANDLES You can buy a 7 day candle (£5.00) which will be left at the Sacred Heart or Our Lady's Altar for the duration of a week. **This week's candles will be lit for Antonio Cicillini and Concetta Piazza and Deceased members of the Conway Family**

If you choose to light T-lights, please make a donation towards their purchase.

PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR MASS: Masses at the weekend are at **6.30pm on Sat and at 10.00am on Sun.** In order for you to say you have been to Mass you do need to be present for the **WHOLE** of Mass, not just the last few minutes. If you were going to a friend for a meal you would make every effort to be on time. Every Mass you are invited to the table of the Lord, so please don't be late.

BISHOP ROBERT BARRON'S 'THE MASS' videos well worth watching. Links are on the Parish Website or just Google Robert Barron the Mass. The videos are not long and really easy to listen to.

PIETY STALL SALE: New display of cards and gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation

CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES: There are no preparation sessions this week or next week. If there is a problem please contact Chris German on 02920340776 or Cge7618946@aol.com

OLD SPECTACLES/ GLASSES: **THE KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA** are collecting any old prescription spectacles/glasses (no cases) to be sent overseas to Third World Countries. There is a box at the back of the Church to put your old items in. Please see Patrick McCarthy for more information if you are interested in joining the Knights. This is an all male organisation.

MASS INTENTIONS At the back of the Church there are envelopes for you to put your donation and the details of when you would like a Mass and for whom. Please indicate if the person is deceased. Please put your envelope in the Offertory Bag or the Brown Box at the back of the Church.

NEW TO THE PARISH? If you have been coming to St Patricks for some weeks and would like to be listed as a new Parishioner please complete the proforma at the back of the Church and give it to one of the priests.

SAFEGUARDING: Helplines and Information on the Parish Website Homepage. A First Aid Box is kept in the Sacristy.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL? Please let the Hospital know that you are a Catholic and would like a visit from the Chaplain. If you are a relative and would like the Catholic Hospital Chaplain to make a visit please leave the name of the person you want them to see and the Ward details if possible. When you ring the Chaplaincy 02921 843230 please leave your contact details so that they can contact you.

HOUSEBOUND COMMUNIONS: If you know of a parishioner wishing to receive Holy Communion please contact one of the priests.

CHURCH COLLECTIONS 5th / 6th APRIL £549.19

WEEKLY MESSAGE

This Sunday we welcome Jesus as He enters Jerusalem to celebrate the Feast of the Passover. This special Feast is celebrated by the Jewish Community to this very day. We can read about it more fully in the Old Testament in the Book of Exodus. The Feast commemorates the time when God told Moses to go to the Egyptian Pharaoh to seek the release of the Israelite people whom he had enslaved. These were God's chosen people. The Pharaoh said no and this resulted in God sending the Plagues: water turning to blood, frogs, gnats, flies, livestock pestilence, boils, hail, locusts, and darkness. But still the Pharaoh said no. God then told Moses to instruct the Israelites to have a special meal and smear the blood of the lamb on the doorposts of their houses. That night God sent the worst plague of all: the death of the firstborn. However, Death **passed over** the homes with the sign on the door posts. The Pharaoh relented and the Israelites were let go. God also told Moses and the Israelites **"This day will be for you to remember. You must remember it by having a special supper in honour to the Lord. All of you must keep it as a law forever"** This was the Feast that Jesus and His Apostles were celebrating in Jerusalem.

While they were eating Jesus took the bread and when He had given thanks, He broke it and gave it to them saying **" This is my body, which is given for you. Do this in remembrance of me"**. And likewise the cup after they had eaten, saying **"Drink of it all of you, for this is my blood of the covenant, which is poured out for many for the forgiveness of sins."**

At the Feast one of Jesus friends left, and set in motion a series of events that led to the death of Our Lord. We think about these things this week.

The Christian world comes together to stand at the Cross with Jesus as He offers Himself to His Father on Good Friday. We stand with Mary, bewildered and mystified in the depths of despair at the suffering and death of her Son, like her, not comprehending the true meaning of Holy Week.

Jesus is eventually placed into the arms of His Mother, no longer the infant but the lifeless body of Jesus the Man, the Pieta.

Take this opportunity to come with Palm branches to wave in welcome as Jesus comes among us.

There may be someone that you know who is unable to join the faithful in this wonderful celebration, perhaps you could take a Palm for them. Bless yourself and welcome Jesus into your homes.

Hosanna to the King of Kings. Welcome Jesus,. Blessed is the One who comes. Hosanna in the Highest

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PRAYER

"Lord God, thank you that you never miss a moment of our lives. As we celebrate Palm Sunday today, we ask you to deliver us from the trials we are facing. By the power of Jesus, heal our bodies, restore our minds, mend our relationships, and make our paths straight. You are capable of delivering us and saving us from every trouble, and we thank you for your deliverance today. Amen."

What are the only man-made things in Heaven?

The holes in the hands and feet of Jesus.