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Palm Sunday



13th April 2025



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Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We enter into Holy Week. The week is holy because at this time the Church remembers, celebrates, and enters into the passion, death, and resurrection of Jesus. It is also a holy week because we ourselves have a prime opportunity for growing in grace and personal holiness as we allow Christ to intensify his influence over our lives.

In baptism we were plunged into the death and resurrection of Jesus. The waters claimed for their own that which was unworthy to be part of the life of a newly born sister or brother of Jesus. And we emerged from the waters as a new creation ready to live in, and to live out, a new relationship with God, the Father of all.

If we have lived through the time of Lent in humble acknowledgement of that initial Ash Wednesday realisation, that our lives are dusty and dirty, then we will be more than ready for the Lord to pour upon us the cascading waters of grace in the coming renewal of our baptismal vows.

Surely, it is almost unthinkable that a Christian would not desire to accompany the Lord through these solemn liturgies of Holy Week as he breaks bread with his disciples, and as he battles towards his death on the cross, trusting only in the love of his Father which he has come to know as unbreakable.

It is in our shared journey with Jesus that we become united with him in the one Spirit, and our faith takes us to a new place in which we ask Jesus to invite us more deeply into the mysteries opened to us by his sacrificial love.

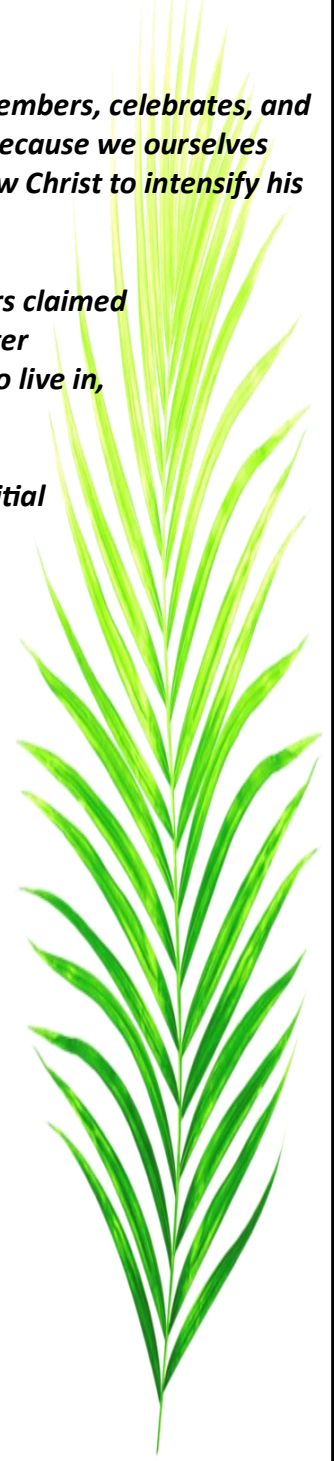
*May the blessings of Holy Week be upon us all,
Fr Gerard*

Holy Week Opportunities for Confession

Saturday, 12th April, Christ Church, 11.00am—12 noon.

Tuesday morning after Mass, Holy Saviour's

Wednesday evening, Holy Saviour's 6.30pm



Mass schedule for week beginning Monday 14th April

Monday 14th April	Tuesday 15th April	Wednesday 16th April	Holy Thursday 17th April	Good Friday 18th April	Saturday 19th April	Easter Sunday 20th April
Stations H.S. 7.00pm	Mass *H.S.* 10.00am	Mass H.S. 7.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper H.S. 7.00pm	Service of the Passion of the Lord H.S. 3.00pm	Easter Vigil C.C. 8.00pm	C.C. 9.30am H.S. 11.15am

Date	Reader 1	Reader 2
This Sunday: 13th April	Siobhan James	Dawid Zycinski
Next Sunday: 20th April	Sarah Ellison	Margaret Needham

Children's Church: C.C. - Carmel & Margaret B

H.S. - Lisa S, Joanne T

Eucharistic Ministry 2nd Sunday (C.C. and H.S.)

Roger Lee	Barbara Martin
Margaret Needham	Christine Whalley
Amanda Duckett	Susanne Barnes
Bernadette Whittaker	Marie Parker
Emma Sutcliffe	Paul Stinchon

CHURCH COLLECTION

6th April: £316.90
Standing Orders: approx: £624 p/w
Many thanks!

POUND DRAW WINNERS

£10.00 Tyrone McLaughlin
£10.00 Sarah Southworth
£10.00 Sarah Kelly
£10.00 Jack Dempsey
£110.00 towards Parish Funds, thank you!



Died Recently

The Requiem Mass for Kathleen Ryan will take place on Thursday 17th April at Christ Church at 10.00am.

Francis and family would like to thank all who have sent Mass offerings and cards in memory of Kathleen.

A prayer from Francis

Lord, send us your Holy Spirit to fire us with his love, to comfort us in time of sorrow, to heal us when wounded, to strengthen us when we are weak hearted. Amen

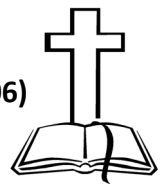
MASS INTENTIONS

Kath Ryan, died recently.
Bob Spillane, anniv, 5th April (2021)
Anna Holden, anniv, 8th April.
Thomas Quirke, anniv, 12th April
William Spillane, anniv, 10th May (2021)
Michael Jennings, b'day anniv, 12th April
Michael Ryan, sick.

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

April 13th Mario Pomponi(1986)
April 14th William Rourke (1938)
Thomas Ashworth (1992)
April 15th Elsie Doreen Lambert (2006)
April 18th Sheila Fayle (2005)
April 19th Eileen M Sharkey (2021)
Rose Ann Kegg (1997)
Patrick Phelan (1987)

May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, though the mercy of God, rest in peace.
AMEN



BIG SPRING-CLEAN

On Saturday, 12th April, there will a time for cleaning at Holy Saviour's from 10.00am. If you can spare an hour or so, then please do come along to help. The side entrance will be open.



HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Mass of the Lord's Supper, with the Washing of the Feet, 7.00pm Holy Saviour's
Good Friday Service, 3.00pm Holy Saviour's
Easter Vigil 8.00pm, Christ Church
Easter Sunday, usual Sunday Masses