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Good Friday
collection for
Holy Places

10 April 2022

HOLY WEEK

Readings: *Is 50:4-7; Ps 21:8-9, 17-18a, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14-23:56.*

Sat	9	5.00pm	Marie Dobinson (<i>Vigil Mass</i>)
Sun	10	10.15am 10.30am	<i>Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord</i> Palm Sunday Procession starts in Pastoral Centre Dr & Mrs F. Carter (<i>streamed Mass</i>) <i>Please join us for coffee in the pastoral centre after Mass</i>
Mon	11	9.30am	Peter McKernan <i>UCM meeting in pastoral centre lounge at 1pm</i>
Tue	12	9.30am 7.00pm	Angela O'Neill Funeral Service: Peter Turner at West Lancs Crematorium 1pm Funeral Service: Elsie Peacock at Southport Crematorium 2pm Penitential Service with the Sacrament of Reconciliation
Wed	13	9.30am	John & Eileen Reilly <i>Chrism Mass in the Cathedral at 7.30pm</i>
Thu	14	7.00pm	<i>Maundy Thursday – Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper</i> Philip Swift Keeping Vigil with the Lord till 11pm
Fri	15	11.30am 11.40am Noon 3.00pm	<i>Good Friday of the Passion of The Lord</i> Morning Prayer in church Gather in the P/C car-park for procession to the Clock Tower Ecumenical Service at Clock Tower Good Friday Liturgy Children's Liturgy in Pastoral Centre – see St Anne's news <i>No Evening Service</i> <i>Prayer & reflection in our own homes at 8pm - Please see overleaf</i>
Sat	16	8.00pm	<i>Holy Saturday</i> Special Intention (Easter Vigil Mass)
Sun	17	10.30am	<i>Easter Sunday</i> Mari Hughes – Edwards (<i>streamed Mass</i>)





 *live simply*



Dear Parishioners and Friends

I have been reading Pope Francis' homily for Palm Sunday 2021. He offers a lovely reflection for Holy Week. I would like to share some of what he said. It is as relevant this year as last year.

Every year this liturgy leaves us amazed: we pass from the joy of welcoming Jesus as he enters Jerusalem to the sorrow of watching him condemned to death and then crucified. That sense of interior amazement will remain with us throughout [Holy Week](#). Let us reflect more deeply on it.

From the start, Jesus leaves us amazed. His people give him a solemn welcome, yet he enters Jerusalem on a lowly colt. His people expect a powerful liberator at Passover, yet he comes to bring the Passover to fulfilment by sacrificing himself. His people are hoping to triumph over the Romans by the sword, but Jesus comes to celebrate God's triumph through the cross. What happened to those people who in a few days' time went from shouting "Hosanna" to crying out "Crucify him"? What happened? They were following an idea of the Messiah rather than the Messiah. They admired Jesus, but they did not let themselves be amazed by him. Amazement is not the same as admiration. Admiration can be worldly, since it follows its own tastes and expectations. Amazement, on the other hand, remains open to others and to the newness they bring. Even today, there are many people who admire Jesus: he said beautiful things; he was filled with love and forgiveness; his example changed history, ... and so on. They admire him, but their lives are not changed. To admire Jesus is not enough. We have to follow in his footsteps, to let ourselves be challenged by him; to pass from admiration to amazement.

What is most amazing about the Lord and his Passover? It is the fact that he achieves glory through humiliation. He triumphs by accepting suffering and death, things that we, in our quest for admiration and success, would rather avoid. Jesus – as Saint Paul tells us – "emptied himself... he humbled himself" (Phil 2:7.8). Jesus did it for us, to plumb the depths of our human experience, our entire existence, all our evil. To draw near to us and not abandon us in our suffering and our death. To redeem us, to save us. Jesus was lifted high on the cross in order to descend to the abyss of our suffering.

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Let us ask for the grace to be amazed. A Christian life without amazement becomes drab and dreary. How can we talk about the joy of meeting Jesus, unless we are daily astonished and amazed by his love, which brings us forgiveness and the possibility of a new beginning? When faith no longer experiences amazement, it grows dull: it becomes blind to the wonders of grace.

During this Holy Week, let us lift our eyes to the cross, in order to receive the grace of amazement. Let us gaze upon Jesus on the cross and say to him: "Lord, how much you love me! How precious I am to you!" Let us be amazed by Jesus so that we can start living again, for the grandeur of life lies not in possessions and promotions, but in realizing that we are loved.

Brothers and sisters, today God continues to fill our minds and hearts with amazement. Let us be filled with that amazement as we gaze upon the crucified Lord. May we too say: "You are truly the Son of God. You are my God".

Good Friday. There will not be a meditation in church this evening. Instead, may I suggest that at **8pm** we spend a few moments in prayer and reflection in our own homes. I shall be at St Anne's to be one with all of you in prayer for half an hour. It will be an appropriate opportunity to pray for peace in Ukraine, to pray for our world and our Church; to pray for those things which are close to our own hearts, our worries, our fears; all those things which we would like to bring to the Lord, face to face, if only we were able. Good Friday is a 'good' day to place ourselves in God's presence.

Godine OSB

Anniversaries (Last 10 yrs up to Sat 16 April 2022)

Mary Patricia Parr, Norman James Fegan, Colette MC Grath, Mark Hudson, Christina Seymour, Margaret Pearson, Kathleen Senior, Josephine Wheat, Kathleen Pearson, Diane Valentine, Graham Flynn, Hilda Edgar, Christina Evans, David Caulfield, George Francis (Frank) Mason, Irene Mary McKeown, Anthony Patrick Keating, John Colin Oxley.

Please pray for the sick in our parish:

Anne Ashcroft, Jane Ashton-Campbell, Teresa Blaney, Derek Campbell, Nicola Carroll, Eileen Culpin, Jean Daunt, Agnes Dawes, Mike Devlin, Maria Gibbons, George Grimes, Stephen Hankin-Hallsworth, Fr Anthony Hayne, Jim Holland, Sue Jacobs, Margaret Johnston, Sheila Lavin, Hughie McGinley, Pat Pope, Stella Potter, Dougie Ross, Gregory Rutherford, Mark Sellek, Irena Small, Frances Smith, Maureen Taylor, Per Tinberg, Fr Gerry Tuite, Marcella Varey, Tony Walsh, David Whittaker.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Margaret Merriman who died recently.

St Anne's News

Children's Liturgy Good Friday Invitation 15 April: Whilst the adults are in Church the Children's Liturgy team would like to invite children aged 3-11years old to the Pastoral Centre for their own Good Friday Liturgy. Our theme is 'Growing Seeds of Goodness'. Please sign your child(ren) in at the Pastoral Centre before going into Church at 3pm. We look forward to seeing you. *Children's Liturgy Team*

Message from Bridget Mawtus: I am looking for volunteers between the ages of 4 and a half and 65 to help with a tool that will support children who are dyslexic in schools, it would be better if you did not have a diagnosis of dyslexia. Please contact Bridget for further information. mawtusbl@yahoo.co.uk. Thank you

UCM meeting 11th April in the Lounge will be an "old money quiz". Ladies of the Parish any age, any status very welcome to come along and meet us all. Thank you so much to our generous members at the Bring & Buy Sale and others who donated, the sum of £500 was raised for the Ukraine appeal, with a further fund raiser to follow in May.

The Parish Office will be closed from Good Friday until Tuesday 26 April.

Keeping Safe in Church – Face Coverings

Legal restrictions relating to Covid safety have been removed by the government. However, the continued advice from both government sources and from church authorities is that, as the Covid virus is still with us, wearing face coverings reduces the risk of infection both to ourselves and to others.

In view of this advice, everyone attending services in church is encouraged to continue to wear face coverings. It is also recommended staying at home if you have Covid symptoms. Thank you for your continued co-operation.

HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE

A few people have shown an interest in going to the Holy Land this year but May seems to be too short notice so I shall look at the possibility of going in September or October instead. Please let Colette in the parish office know if you are interested on 01695 572168 or 077468 55340 and then I will start to make arrangements.

Godric OSB



The Queen's Platinum Jubilee 2022

37th Ormskirk (St. Anne's) Scout Group are celebrating the Platinum Jubilee of Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II, by hosting a

Jubilee Big Lunch On Sunday 5th June in St. Anne's Pastoral Centre 12 noon until 2 p.m.

Parishioners of St Anne's welcome to attend

There will be competitions for adults and children – Best Crown, Best Decorated Table, Best Jubilee Cake, Raffle, Quiz, Spot Prizes.

This is a 'bring your own food and drink' event

Entry will be by ticket only – tickets are free and will be allocated strictly on a first come first served basis. The Parish Centre has a safety limit that we have to adhere to.

Once we have filled all of the tables, we will start a waiting list, however there will be a donation bucket for charity,

To request a ticket, please email Annegilham@gmail.com with the following details

Lead name of booking

Contact Tel Number

Number of adults

Number of children and ages

Tables will be between 8 – 10, and allocated to names. If you want to sit with another party, please state this in the email.

Small groups or single partygoers will be sharing a table with others.



Our Common Home

This is a space on the bulletin for everyone to share their ideas and tips about practical things we can do to respond to Pope Francis's call to hear the Cry of the Earth and the Cry of the Poor.

Do you have a good suggestion of something we can do to help with the climate crisis?

Share it with everyone by e-mailing Colette

paxorm@btconnect.com



St Anne's Plastic Free Cutlery



We are all doing our best to reduce single use plastic. In the Pastoral Centre we now have a supply of cutlery, so that we can avoid plastic. Ironically, our cutlery is stored in plastic drawers (see picture above) but these are robust and reused, so should last a long time. They are tucked under the worktop by the sink, so look there if you need cutlery. Donations, especially teaspoons, are always welcome too. Contact the Parish Office if you have any. **THANK YOU!**

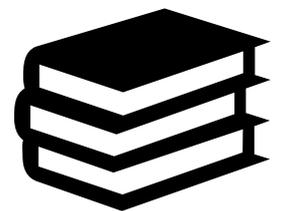
Waste – How can we reduce it?

Waste is a waste – of money and time – ours and those who produced whatever we are wasting. It is also an environmental disaster as so much ends up in landfill and the materials used to make it are lost. Greenpeace have publicised how Amazon sends over 130,000 items to landfill every week.

* One way we can all help look after the beautiful world God has given us is to use everything as much as we can and pass on to others when we no longer need it.

To help us do this, we now have bookcases, kindly donated by Caroline Grieco, Deacon Des and Joan Bill in the Pastoral Centre. These are for everyone to leave books they have enjoyed or found useful for others to read. Drop them off, take another and return once you have finished so they are used as much as possible.

*<https://www.greenpeace.org.uk/news/stop-amazon-throwing-away-millions-unused-products/>



Susan O'Halloran

CHILDREN'S LITURGY



Holy Week

Match the picture to the correct day.

Tuesday
The leaders want to kill Jesus



Wednesday
Judas betrays Jesus



Thursday
Jesus gives himself to us in bread and wine



Friday
Jesus dies for us



Saturday
everyone waits with Mary



A PRAYER TO SAY

Thank you, Jesus, for showing me what real love means. I am cheering "Hosanna" to welcome you today! Help me to stay with you when it is not so much fun. Amen.

redemptorist

The crowds cheer as Jesus arrives in Jerusalem. The Messiah has arrived! Our saviour has come! By the end of the week everything looks so different. Jesus has been arrested, tried and put to death. But this moment is what his mission has been building towards. Jesus chooses to die so that we know just how much we are loved!



Help Jesus

Jesus is travelling through the streets of Jerusalem to find his friends. Can you help him find his way?

Be with Jesus at the Last Supper

Here I am joining Jesus and some of my friends around the table at the Last Supper. Draw your friends at the table. Don't forget to colour them in too!



Code work

Jesus goes to the Mount of Olives to pray to his Father. Can you decode the letters to find out what he is saying to his Father?

A= O=
D= S=
E= U=
I= V=
L= W=
N= Y=

Answers: I love you and will do as you say.