MASSES AND SERVICES

24th March - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Easter Flowers.

Saturday 5.30pm Franz Otto RIP (AK)
Sunday 8.45am Jane Cotter Int (EMB)
10.30am People of the Parish

4pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (ending at 4.50pm) + Confessions

5pm Stations of the Cross

Weekday Services

25.3 Mon 10.00am Monday of Holy Week Bill Adams (VB)

26.3 Tue 10.00am Tuesday of Holy Week Patrick O'Donnell & Angela Martin RIP (MP)

27.3 Wed 10.00am Wednesday of Holy Week Mary Sturt RIP (MH)
28.3 Thu 7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Rena Murray RIP (JM)

Followed by watching until 10pm

29.3 Fri 11.00am Good Friday Stations of the Cross for Children

3.00pm Celebration Passion of the Lord

(The annual collection for the Holy Places in the Holy Land)

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

31st March - Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

This weekend the second collection will be your Easter offering for the clergy.

Saturday 8.00pm People of the Parish

Sunday 8.45am Denis & Catherine Moroney (EMB)

10.30am Therese Allibon RIP (D&É B)

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week M Fitzpatrick A Robinson
Next week R Price S Simpson Heath

READERS 5.30pm 8.45am 10.30am
This week J Musgrave E Moroney Barnett D Bixby

T & J Taylor J Smith, C Saum M Heap, R Slater

Next week TBA TBA TBA

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ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH DORRIDGE

24th March 2024 Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Dear Parishioners,

Last weekend I spoke to you about money matters and my thanks to Joan and Tony Taylor for speaking to us at each of the three Masses about planned giving and gift aid.

This weekend we begin Holy Week with Palm Sunday. Palms will be distributed and blessed at each Mass. Your old palm may be recycled but I would bury it.

Let us approach this special week of our faith with the right attitude. On Tuesday evening at 7pm we have the Lenten Penitential Service and six priests will be available to hear confessions.

The Easter Triduum is one service in three parts. The Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7pm on Thursday begins with the Last Supper, Good Friday is the day Jesus died for us and we gather at 3pm for this meaningful service. The Easter Vigil celebrates the salvation won by the Resurrection of Jesus and begins with the Service of Light. The light in the darkness is our inspiration and hope. Easter Sunday is the day of the Resurrection and each Sunday thereafter is a commemoration of our faith.

Check out the services this week and please make an effort to come to church. This weekend there is a second collection for the Easter flowers.

Every Blessing Fr John

Holy Week

Palm Sunday 24th March: Masses Sat Vigil 5.30pm, Sunday 8.45am and 10.30am.

Starts in church this year.

Penitential Service & Confessions: Tues 26th March at 7pm - up to 6 priests in attendance.

Holy Thursday 7pm: Mass of Our Lord's Supper. Watching until 10pm.

Good Friday Day of Fasting and Abstinence

11am: Stations of the Cross for children.

3pm: Solemn liturgy of the Passion with veneration of the Cross &

Holy Communion.

7.30pm: Stations of the Cross.

Holy Saturday 8pm: Easter Vigil.

Easter Sunday 8.45am Mass and 10.30am Mass.

Altar Server practices: Thursday, Friday and Saturday at 10am.

The Passion of Christ: at 7pm Monday 25th March in the conference room we will be showing *The passion of the Christ*. Tea and coffee provided, all are welcome.

Cleaning Rota: Please can cleaning volunteers collect their new rota's from the Narthex.

Lourdes Petitions: A couple of parishioners are travelling to Lourdes at Easter with HCPT, if anyone would like petitions taken to the grotto at Lourdes please post them through the presbytery letter box by Good Friday. No need to ring the bell!

Easter Walk with Me booklets and calendars are available in the Narthex - suggested donation £1.

200 Club Congratulations to our lucky winners:

December draw - £500 to Joe Stephens, £50 to Lynn Green, £15 each to Mr & Mrs Service, Margaret Harris and Jackie Gallagher.

January draw - £15 each to Sheila Fildes, Naz Cusack and Godfrey Cheshire.

Job Vacancies:

- St Edward's Catholic Primary & Nursery School Packington Lane, Coleshill, B46
 3JE. Part time Early Years teacher and full-time class teacher.
- St Augustine's Catholic Primary School Whitefields Road, Solihull, B91 3NT. Fulltime class teacher.
- Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Primary School 566 Stratford Road, Solihull B90 4AY. Assistant Headteacher. Salary: L3 – L7 Full-Time.
 - See /www.olaas.co.uk/current-vacancies/
- Administration Support Officer for the Birmingham Diocesan Trust Safeguarding Team, Cathedral House, St Chad's Queensway, Birmingham. Full-time, salary range: £21,000 to £25,000 fte p.a. plus benefits, hybrid remote working.
- Deputy Diocesan Solicitor. Part time
 See the Archdiocese website for more details <u>Jobs & Volunteering Opportunities |</u>
 <u>Birmingham Diocesan Trust (birminghamdiocese.org.uk)</u>

ARE YOU New to the parish or have you changed any of your contact details? Please complete a form for the parish records.

Thank you so much for all the Easter Eggs donated for the children. We still could do with one or two more.

Made me smile!

Man walks into an ancient Greek tailors with a pair of torn trousers.

Tailor says, "Euripides?"

Man says, "Yeah. Eumenides?"

I was wondering, why does a frisbee appear larger the closer it gets? Then it hit me.

My wife asked me to put ketchup on the shopping list, and now I can't read any of it.

What do you call a potato that wears glasses? A spectator

I had a peanut stuck in my ear, the Doc poured some chocolate in, I tell you what, it came out a Treat!

Two fonts walk into a pub. The landlord says 'sorry we don't serve your type in here'.

A friend of mine is in court charged with not punctuating properly when writing. The judge has told him to expect a long sentence!

My aunt has been in hospital recently. She's doing okay and has been passing the time by playing board games such as backgammon, draughts and mah-jongg.

"Any chess?"

"No, she went private".

Offertory: 17.3.24: Mass Attendance last weekend 184. Gift Aid Envelopes £247, Loose Plate £266. Av standing order and online p.w.- £680. Church Maintenance. Gift Aid Envelopes £20, Loose Plate £349 Many thanks for your generosity.

Please pray for

For those who housebound or unwell: Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Pat McGeever, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove, Sheila Randall. as well as our parishioners in hospital and nursing homes.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Jim Ryan, Michael Patrick Bourke, Thomas Giblin, Edward Pers, Martin McDonnell, Brenda Grosvenor. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com

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The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.