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14th April 2019 ~ Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

week beginning Sat 13th April 2019

13th Sat	Lent feria
9.30am	James Calvin RIP (Vigil of Sunday)
6.00pm	Maisie, Seamus & Neil Brown RIP
14th Sun	PALM SUNDAY
8.30am	People of the Parish
10.00am	starting outside St Alban's Church John De Freitas RIP Anniv Mary & Tony Mills RIP
12.00pm	
15th Mon	MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK
9.30am	Maurice Malone RIP Anniv
16th Tue	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
9.30am	Michael Hughes RIP Anniv
17th Wed	WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
	No Mass
18th Thu	MAUNDY THURSDAY –
	Mass of the Lord's Supper
8.00pm	Sick & Recently Deceased of the Parish then watching in the Parish Centre until Night Prayer at 11.50pm
19th Fri	GOOD FRIDAY
9.30am	Morning Prayer
1.00pm	Children's Stations of the Cross
3.00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion
8.00pm	Stations of the Cross
20th Sat	HOLY SATURDAY
9.30am	Morning Prayer
8.00pm	EASTER VIGIL – People of the Parish.
21st Sun	EASTER SUNDAY
8.30am	Theresa Sundaram
10.00am	May McDonagh RIP Anniv
11.30am	Wojciech Mlek RIP, Eugenia & Jozef Sulikowski & Family RIP

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 8.15am - 9.15am

First Friday 10am - 11am (concluding with Benediction)

Saturday in Lent 10:00am – 11:00am

Baptisms

First Saturday at Noon

Next Sunday's Readings:

Acts 10:34.37-43, Colossians 3:1-4, John 20:1-9

A HOLY WEEK



Four years ago in his homily at Mass on Palm Sunday Pope Francis said that imitating the humility of Jesus is what makes Holy Week “holy,” and encouraged us to mimic His attitude of humiliation as the week unfolds. Today’s second reading from St. Paul’s Letter to the Philippians, recounts how Jesus “humbled himself” by taking on human form; the Pope said that “these words show us God’s way and the way of Christians: it is humility.” Humility, he said, is “a way which constantly amazes and disturbs us: we will never get used to a humble God!”

As we set out on the path of Holy Week that leads us to Easter, “we will take this path of Jesus’ own humiliation. Only in this way will this week be holy for us too!”

Every blessing,

Fr Graham

Sacrament of Reconciliation in Holy Week 2019

13th Sat	10:00am – 11:00am 5.15pm - 5.45pm
15th Mon	10.00am-10.30am
16th Tue	9.00am – 9.20am
18th Thu	after Mass of the Lord's Supper
19th Fri	after Celebration of the Lord's Passion 7.30pm – 7.50pm
20th Sat	10.00am – 10.30am

“This is my body given for you; do this in remembrance of me”

Luke 22:14-23:56

REGULAR NOTICES

Please keep the sick in your prayers. A list of sick parishioners is displayed on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

SVP If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society, please ring Katherine on 020 8868 8512 or Tony on 020 8868 3205. If you would like to be visited by a priest and/or regularly with Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

Recently deceased Bernadette Fernandes, Louisa John-Phillip, Barry Roe, Mike Wicker.

Pray also for John De Freitas, Maurice Malone, Michael Hughes, Joanne Flannery, Margaret Monahan, Phyllis Healy, Una Graydon, Bernard Devine, Patrick Kennedy, Teresa Kitchie, Jo & Nora Broderick, Mary Maher, Seamus O'Brien, Richard Plesner, Theresa Sundaram, Irene Hurst, Bridget Byrne, Trenton "Lloyd" Henry, Helen McNamara, Kathleen Forde, Alice Tobin, Nellie Connolly, William O'Riordan, James Pettifer, Tom McCann, John Manners, Andrew Blyth, Karl Smol, Mary Chute, Pauline Egan, Mary Parker whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

We welcome back to St John Fisher **Fr Christopher Clohessy** who we are blessed to have joining us for the Holy Week celebrations this year.

Please Remember in your prayers **Paul Harrison** who has died. His Reception Service will be on Wednesday, 24th April at 6pm at St John Fisher followed by Requiem Mass on Thursday, 25th April 2019 at 12.30pm and committal at Northwood Cemetery. We offer our deepest sympathy and prayers to his family and friends. May he rest in peace.

Planned Giving Envelopes 2019/2020 have been available for collection for a number of weeks. **If you have not yet picked up yours** please contact the Parish Office. Alternatively, if you would like to set up a standing order for planned giving, please take an envelope containing the relevant details.

Knitting Group will meet on **Friday, 26th April, 10th & 24th May 2019** at 2pm in the Fisher Room. All welcome.

Parish pilgrimage to Rome, Bolsena and Orvieto - Monday 21st October to Saturday 26th October The cost is £969pp, half-board, based on two people sharing which includes return flights, accommodation, meals (breakfast and lunch/dinner), coach transfers, guided tours, entrance fees, cable car in Orvieto and a tour manager to accompany the group. To reserve your place, please send a booking form and £200 deposit to Pax Travel. The full brochure and booking forms are available in the porch.

Pilgrimage to Walsingham On **Saturday 21st September** we will be joining the Cardinal on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham, the National Shrine to Our Lady. We will let you have the details soon so that you can sign up and pay a deposit for the coach but for now **keep the date free!**

The Pylon – Parish Magazine We are planning to reintroduce a paper edition of The Pylon to commemorate St. John Fisher's 80th Year Anniversary. This should be available towards the end of the year. We would like short reports and photos from the events organised for our anniversary. So, whoever is running an event, please would you arrange for these to be sent to barbaratowell@sky.com (note: if you are taking photos, ask those in the shots for their permission to appear in The Pylon.) If you have any memories, articles, poems or stories you think would interest readers in this special edition, please send to the

LENT 2019 – 'Prepare the Way of the Lord'

TODAY - Palm Sunday - 10am mass will start outside St Alban's Church in the Ridgeway (or in St Alban's Parish Hall if weather is bad). After the proclamation of the opening Gospel and the blessing of palms we will process to St John Fisher to continue mass. **Consequently today the '11.30am' Mass, will start at 12noon** to avoid a crush!

Walk of Witness on Good Friday starts at St Alban's on The Ridgeway at 11.30am and travels around the local churches, finishing at St George's, Headstone. All are welcome to walk the whole or part of the route as a witness for the community to our Christian faith.

Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible – session 7 on Thursday 2nd May at 7.30pm in the Fisher Room.

Lenten Alms – Our Lenten Alms collection will be taken at the Mass of the Lord's Supper on Maundy Thursday; this year we will be supporting the **Society of St Peter the Apostle**, part of the church's overseas mission charity, Missio, helping future priests. More details are available in the porch. You are also welcome to support the **Cardinal's Lenten Appeal** for which offering envelopes are also available in the porch.

Holy Places Collection During the Celebration of the Lord's Passion on Good Friday there will be a collection taken to support the Holy Places. The collection ensures not only that the buildings associated with the life of Christ remain accessible, but that local Christians are able to stay in their homeland. Funds gathered support young families, parishes, seminaries, schools, hospitals and clinics, refugees and small businesses.

Churches Together in North Harrow – 'Four Portraits of Jesus'. final session: Monday, 15th April on the Passion Narratives at 8pm in St Alban's Church, The Ridgeway.

email address above or place in the pigeonhole for Barbara Towell. We look forward to receiving and reading these.

Easter Offering In the porch you will find Easter Offering envelopes for Fr. Graham. These offerings support him in his ministry here in the Parish and they will be collected over the Masses of Easter. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

Harrow Citizens - Come together to celebrate this multi-faith refugee resettlement project on **Tuesday 30 April at 7.30pm** at St Peter's West Harrow, Sumner Road HA1 4BX. Find out what has been achieved and learn about further opportunities to get involved. Hot and cold drinks will be provided but please bring food to share. More details on notice in porch.

A team of volunteers from Harrow Citizens is busy painting and repairing a home ready to receive the refugees. If you have anything to offer or want to support this project please see notice in porch.

DIOCESAN AND DEANERY NOTICES

Chrism Mass Takes place at Westminster Cathedral at 12 Noon on Tuesday, 16th April. Please keep the priests of the Diocese in your prayers on this day.

Feast of Divine Mercy – Sunday, 28th April 2019 At St Bernard's Church, Mandeville Rd, Northolt UB5 5HE, 2pm to 3.30pm. For more info please see porch noticeboard.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes – under the leadership of Cardinal Vincent Nichols from 20th to 26th July 2019. For more info please see porch noticeboard.