OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER



PALM SUNDAY (A)

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Psalter Week 2



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HOLY WEEK

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ART & FAITH

Bernhard Strigel's painting of Christ us the scene of the Last Supper. We around a table set for the Passover scattered on the tablet op tell us that scribed in the Exodus reading. The as the group gathers tightly around knives, and the chalice are scattered food has been enjoyed by the people touch, clear signs of their engage-

Taking the theme of engagement to Christ in the act of washing Peter's Christ invites us into another toes which he hesitantly points out found love, service, and intimate



Washing the Disciples' Feet illuminates for meet Christ and the apostles gathered meal—the roasted lamb and bitter herbs they are celebrating the memorial feast deroom is small, creating a sense of intimacy the table. Pieces of bread, small plates, messily on the table, telling us that the here. The crumbs show us the human ment and participation.

a deeper level, in the foreground we find feet. From the messy, post-meal table, mess—the dusty and worn feet of Peter, from under his garment. Expressing procommunion, Christ reaches for these to

wash them, shocking and humbling Peter, who will have to learn the lesson his Teacher has just modelled for him. Feet are our most humble part, closest to the ground, in constant touch with our utter humility of being dust. While Peter partially covers his feet, Christ's foot is fully exposed, showing his embrace of humility and his determination on the way to the cross. In the back of the scene, John the Beloved Disciple hesitantly offers his own foot, almost touching Christ's extended hand, signalling his loyalty and trust in the Lord.

Strigel was most famous as a portrait painter, and the expressions he captures on Christ, Peter, John, and Judas tell the story without words. Strigel also uses symbolic language to reinforce meaning: knives point to the chalice on the table and Judas, who is on the left, in yellow, holds a chalice that signals the suffering that is to come, evoking the cup of salvation and sacrifice. Other vessels also carry meaning: the basin under Peter's foot is like a large paten, and like the platter under the lamb, reinforces the idea of sacrifice as essential to the Eucharistic act. On this Holy Thursday, our experiences of worship are also replete with symbols of intimate love, humility, self-giving service, and sacrifice. How do these speak to you today?

WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun: Children's Liturgy 9am & 10:30am Masses

Teas/Coffee: after 9 am & 10.30 Mass (Sue & Mark

Fanthome)

Mon: Tea/Coffee after 10 am Mass in Old Hall.

Final Chapter of Verbum Dei at 10.30 am

Fri: Parish Social Club open from 7.30 - 10.30

Sun: Next Sunday

Teas/Coffee after 10.30 am (Julia Wadsworth Claire

Benteey)



Today marks the beginning of Holy Week. Palms will be blessed and distributed at every Mass. The 10.30 am Mass will start in the Centenary Hall and will have a Procession of sorts back to the Church. At this Mass the children will play a prominent role.

Parish Community Reconciliation Service

The annual Easter Parish Reconciliation Service, which has grown to be immensely popular in the manner in which we do it here, takes place this afternoon at 3.30 pm. Fr Rory Kelly will be in assistance and will also hear private Confessions in the box when the Service is over for those who wish to celebrate the Sacrament in the more traditional form. The Church asks each Baptised Catholic to go to Confession and Communion at least once between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday. Please encourage your children of all ages who are eligible to come and celebrate this Sacrament with us also. A soul purified from sin is the greatest gift we can give to the Lord this Easter.

Confessions also next Saturday from 10.30 - 11.00 am .

Parish Retreat

Why not avail of this opportunity to set aside some quiet time and join the Parish Retreat today from 11.30 am - 3.30 pm to prepare spiritually for Holy Week and Easter. Collect in the Bar after the 10.30 am Mass. Bring a packed lunch. Soft drinks provided. Queries to Gemma 342508.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES

Maundy Thursday 8.00 pm

Mass at **8.00 pm** (no 10 am Mass) which includes the Washing of the Feet of those who are entering the church at Easter and being Baptised & Confirmed. This is followed by the renewal of commitment for another year by our Eucharistic Ministers. Watching at the Altar of Repose will conclude at 11 pm but those who find it too arduous to remain until that time can leave before this. We leave the Church in Solemn Silence on this night.

Good Friday

We gather at **11 am** for Stations of the Cross - children in the Centenary hall, Adults in the Church. This is a relatively long service and those who are elderly or infirm are not expected to stand throughout. There will be a retiring collection at this for the Holy Places in Jerusalem.

The main Liturgy is at **3 pm** with the Passion according to St John, the long Prayers of Intercession for the Church and World and finally the Veneration of the Cross with Holy Communion. There will be a retiring collection at this for the Holy Places in Jerusalem. The Parish Male Voice Choir will sing at this Service.

We conclude Good Friday with an Ecumenical Evening Service, of Prayer, Mediation, Singing and respectful periods of Silence at **7.30 pm** here in the Church.

Easter Vigil 8.30 pm

We finally reach the most Solemn Celebration in the entire Liturgical Year at 8.30 pm with the Lighting of the Easter Fire Blessing and installation of the Easter (Paschal) Candle; The singing of the great Exultet; The Blessing of Easter Water; the Baptism and Confirmation of Candidates; the Renewal of Baptismal Promises and the celebration of the First Mass of Easter.

Easter Offerings

The collection at all the Masses next weekend goes towards the financial support of Fr Kieran. Those in the Gift Aid Scheme are asked to use their envelopes.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next children's session will be on SUNDAY 27TH APRIL 2014 (9.15-10.15) in the Centenary Hall. (Chapters 10-12 of book)

LOURDES:

Don't forget, if you would like to go to Lourdes either as a pilgrim, or as a helper, with the Diocese, then application forms are at the back of the Church. Deadline end of April.

SUNDAY JUNE 29TH: DIOCESAN FESTIVAL: As part of the preparations for the Diocesan Jubilee in 2015 Bishop Kieran invites everyone to the second A&B Jubilee Festival on June 29th 2014 at St Wilfrid's School, Crawley RH11 8PG from 10am to 4pm. It is a day for all the family. Bishop Kieran will celebrate Mass at 3pm. Why not join in for all or part of the day. For more information go to www.abdiocese.org.uk/diofestival.

Parish Shop

With Easter fast approaching, please remember to buy fair trade Easter Eggs from the Parish Shop

Please Note

The time for the Good Friday evening Liturgy has changed to 7.30 pm start (not 8 as originally advertised).



Church Cleaning

I would like to invite our younger parishioners between the ages of 12-16 to come and give the church a good clean for Easter, this evening following the

5.15 pm Mass. Buckets, Mobs, Hoovers, Dusters will be provided. All we need is your youthful zest. It should only take 30 minutes or so. Parents are asked to stay and supervise.



5th Caterham (Sacred Heart Scout Group) Race Night is on 25th April at 7 pm in the Centenary Hall. £5 per adult; £2.50 for children.



Wedding

Oliver Catherine Bourne & Sophie Aisha Malik will be married here on 25th April at 1.30 pm

Offertory Collection

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory £891.55 (Gift Aid £480.27

Flowers: £278.55 (sadly this collection was overlooked for the most part by those attending the 10.30 am Mass since no one was at the back with a basket.) The total cost for flowers for the Church this Easter is in excess of £450. Remember, Easter lasts for 6 weeks and we do want our Church to reflect this splendid Feast.



r Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or enfeebled.

Pat Knight; Kathleen & John Saunders; Helen Keogh;
Daisy Hill; Connie Cronin; Christopher Browne;
Kit Monk; Krista Thompson; Jane Hill; Rosemary Whale;
Leon Kozlowski; Pam Weaver; Jimmy & Bridie Mullen;
Jim & Bernie Horrocks; Margaret Robertson;
Tess Gully; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rower;
Ken Archer; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen Lattimore; Bryan
Smith; Diane Bailey; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Richard
Richardson; Seeta Pillay; Ian Lester; Christopher Miles &
Pat McCoy; Olive & John Wood; Fabia Tallantire.

Pre Confirmation Test

Those who were absent from the test last week and those in the Confirmation Class who have yet to take this test, are asked to come to the Old Hall at 6 pm on Sunday 27th April.

Male Voice Choir Rehearsal

Rehearsal this evening following the 5.15 pm Mass and again on Good Friday at 2.00 pm. New members also welcome.

New Eucharistic Ministers

Sincere thanks to those who said "Yes" to the above request for E.M's at the 10.30 am Mass. You will be contacted in due course by Eliz Wood who will assist in your

Legacy

Mary Matthews, who was a well loved parishioner here for many years and who died in November, left in her estate the sum of £88,000 to the parish. We have a duty of care for this vast amount of money and in conjunction with the Parish Finance explore ways in which her legacy will be used to the benefit of the sustained upkeep of the parish and its belongings.

Winners of the April draw of the Double C Club

£70 Patricia Wilding £50 Mrs and Mrs R C Tuck £30 Richard Williams

We are still looking for members to join, please call Sue on 01883346399 for details Sue on 01883346399 for details

HOSPITAL

If you, or someone you know, is admitted to East Surrey Hospital, please inform the Priests at Redhill (01737 761017)so that Communion and/or Anointing may be administered.

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St. Francis Primary School:

Interim Headteachers: - Mrs Dorothy Rollason & Ms Gillian Keaney

THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS	
Sunday 13th	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
9:00am Mass	John Joe McNulty RIP (M Hinchy)
10:30am Mass	Kevin Belford (Nessi)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish
Monday 14th	
10:00am Mass	Fr Kevin Gaskin (Parish Women's Group)
Tuesday 15th	
10.00 am Mass	Holy Souls (Geoff Walker)
Wednesday 16th	
	No Mass
Thursday 17th	Thursday of The Lord's Supper 'Mundey Thursday'
8.00 pm Mass	Kathleen Watts R.I.P. (J Watts)
Friday 18th	Friday of the Passion of the Lord "Good Friday"
11.00 am	Stations of the Cross
3.00 pm	Main Liturgy
7.30 pm	Prayers around the Cross
Saturday 19th	Holy Saturday Easter Vigil
8:30pm Mass	Gina White RIP (Family)
Sunday 20th	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
9:00am Mass	Kathleen Donnelly (Foundation)
10:30am Mass	Iris Smalley RIP (Brohier)
5:15pm Mass	People of the Parish



Confessions every Saturday 10:30 – 11:00am
Lauds Mondays at 9.45am
Rosary Thursday & Friday at 9:40am
Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament

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Tuesdays: 9am - 10am; (1pm -2pm returns after Easter); Saturdays: 9am - 11am;

HEALING MASS with Benediction every first Friday at 10:00am