

PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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29th March 2015

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION
OF THE LORD

(PALM SUNDAY)

Saturday (Vigil)
Sunday 29th March



Monday of Holy Week

Tuesday of Holy Week

Wednesday of Holy Week

Maundy Thursday

Good Friday

Holy Saturday

SUNDAY 5TH APRIL - EASTER SUNDAY

EASTER SUNDAY

6.00pm

8.00am

10.00am

11.45am

9.30am

7.30pm

9.30am

NO MASS

7.00pm

9.30am

11.00am

3.00pm

9.30am

8.00pm

8.00am

10.00am

Mass – *Int. People of the parish*

Low Mass in *Extraordinary Form*

Mass – *Int. David Slater RIP, Anni.*

Mass (St Aidan's Congregation)

Mass – *Int. – Phoebe Catley RIP, Anni*

Penitential Service with *individual Confession*

Mass – *Int. Immaculate Heart of the BVM*

EVENING MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

MORNING PRAYER

Stations of the Cross

SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

MORNING PRAYER

EASTER VIGIL

Low Mass in *Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)*

Mass – *Int. People of the parish*



*Tea, coffee and cold drinks
are served in The Guild
Room after both the Sunday
Masses. All are welcome!*



*Please complete a
Parish Registration form.
if you have not done so
since August 2014. Forms
are available next to Newsletter
basket in the porch.*

WEBSITES – PARISH: www.ourladyschurch-cheshambois.org – **SCHOOL:** www.ourladys-bucks-sch.co.uk – **PRIESTLY FRATERNITY OF ST PETER:** www.fssp.org.uk

About Palm Sunday: Branches of palm, olive, or sometimes even budding willow, are ancient symbols of victory and hope, as well as of new life. The procession celebrating Jesus's entry into Jerusalem overflowed with praise and excitement, as onlookers waved these triumphant branches and proclaimed their blessings. Yet, in a few days, they will cry "Crucify him!" The crowd's change of heart illustrates the problem of holding God to our expectations. The crowd expected a liberating leader, the Messiah, to free them from Roman oppression. Jesus instead takes up his Cross and invites us to do the same. Through his Death and Resurrection he is indeed a liberator, but from death and sin, not from Rome. But unable to see past their need, the crowd's disappointment turns into anger and a death order. As we enter Holy Week, Palm Sunday teaches us to let God be God, and to trust in God's wisdom not only to meet but shatter and exceed our expectations.

If you have a full **APF-Mill Hill Red Missio Box** please bring it to church **next weekend**. The contents of the boxes will be counted and sent off to APF-Mill Hill. Copies of the latest Missio Magazine are available in the porch.

We urgently need more help with laundering the Altar linens! For some time now, the parish has been indebted to Greta Jeffries for washing, starching and ironing the small altar cloths we use with the sacred vessels at Mass. Greta would like to take a break from this task. So we do need help from others who would be willing to take on this task. Perhaps we could get a few people to form a rota for monthly duty? Could you spare an hour or so, each week to clean and prepare these linens?

NORES Office for Religious Education, Evangelisation, Catechesis & Schools SUMMER SCHOOL 2015 – Following Christ – Reflecting on life as a disciple today – 23-25 July 2015, RE & Pastoral Centre, NORES, Parish Centre, Holy Ghost Catholic Church, Westbourne Road, Luton, LU4 8JD See booking forms in porch or download at www.nores.org.uk

Thank you to members of our Parish Council who came along to the meeting last Tuesday.

Eight young people from our faith community have been enrolled into our parish preparation for the **Sacrament of Holy Communion**. This parish community promised to encourage them with our prayers and by the example of our witness to the faith.

Infant Baptism.

There will be **preparation meeting for parents and godparents**, who would like to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism during the coming spring and summer **after 10am Mass on Sunday 26th April 2015.**

Sharing our Faith. Please keep in your Prayers, **Laura Ando** as she prepares for her Baptism at the Easter Vigil next Saturday.

Election 2015. The Bishops have written a joint Letter to all Catholics in England and Wales encouraging us to participate and vote in the election and offering some key issues and questions for reflection on where candidates stand. Copies are available and can be obtained with other information, from the Bishop's Conference website: www.catholicnews.org.uk. Please read the Letter and encourage others to do the same.

The Catenian Rosary Group / Rosaries Abroad are appealing for surplus Rosaries to send to Aborigines in Australia, Missions in Africa. Now their work has spread to islands in the Pacific and to prisons in the Philippines. Please search your cupboards and drawers for surplus Rosaries and help us to get them into the hands of those who will love, cherish and pray them. A collection box is available in the porch.

PENITENTIAL SERVICES

At the beginning of our annual Lenten retreat we were signed with the ashes on Ash Wednesday and hear the words "Repeat and believe in the Gospel." During these final days of Lent we have opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Confession in special Penitential Celebrations with visiting priests, in our own and neighbouring parishes:

Monday 30th March – 7.30pm at Our Lady's, Chesham Bois

Tuesday 31st March – 8pm at St Joseph's, Gerrards Cross

Wednesday 1st April – 7.30pm at St Columba's Chesham.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes - 21-28 August 2014. This year, we are appealing for Assisted Pilgrims who might be interested in coming to Lourdes for the first time. For more information please contact by email admin@ourladyandstanselm.org or telephone: 01604 406 410. In addition, each year we have a number of helpers across the diocese who help us in our work (ages 17+). If you're interested in helping, contact Matt Betts (chief.brancardier@catholicassociation.co.uk).

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Krakow for World Youth Day 2016. Friday 22nd July – Monday 1st August 2016 and we welcome those in the diocese aged 16 (by date of travel) – 30 years old. There will be a series of information evenings around the Diocese providing everything you will need to know, so please be to come along or encourage anyone you think may be interested and find out about this exciting opportunity. Our local meetings: St Teresa Catholic Church, 3rd March 2015 7-8pm; Holy Family Catholic Church, Slough, 4th March 7-8pm See poster or www.nymo.org, or call 01582 720627.

The **March 2015** edition of **The Vine** – the **Northampton Diocesan Newspaper** is available – please take a copy!

MONEY MATTERS

Last Week's offertory collection £285.36

Many thanks for your generosity.

The Easter Offering is your gift to the clergy of the parish

CHRISM MASS

On Maundy Thursday at 11am at our Cathedral in Northampton (NN2 6AG), priests, deacons and people gather with Bishop Peter for the Celebration of the Chrism Mass at which he blesses the Holy Oils of the Sick, and Catechumens and Consecrates the Oil of Chrism for the celebration of the sacraments in our diocese during year. Everyone is invited to this celebration followed by a buffet lunch.

I wish you all a prayerful and deeply faith-filled Holy Week.
Fr Andy