

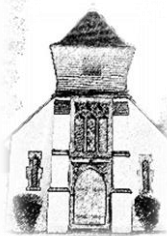
# PARISH OF OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL SUCCOUR

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14<sup>th</sup> April 2019

PALM SUNDAY OF THE  
PASSION OF THE LORD

PALM SUNDAY



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## TIMES OF MASS AND LITURGIES – HOLY WEEK

<b>Palm Sunday</b>	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
<b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION</b>	10.00am	Mass with the blessing of Palms – Int. People of the parish
Monday in Holy Week	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday in Holy Week	9.30am	Mass
Wednesday in Holy Week	<b>NO MASS</b>	
<b>Maundy Thursday</b>	(11.00am – Chrism Mass – Northampton Cathedral)	
<b>THE SACRED TRIDUUM</b>	<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b>
<b>Good Friday</b>	9.00am	Morning Prayer
	<b>11.00am</b>	<b>Stations of the Cross</b>
	<b>3.00pm</b>	<b>Liturgy of the Passion of Our Lord</b>
<b>Holy Saturday</b>	9.30am	Morning Prayer
	<b>9.00pm</b>	<b>Easter Vigil in the Holy Night</b> – Int. Stephen Slater, RIP
<b>SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> April Easter Sunday</b>	8.00am	Mass in Extraordinary Form (Tridentine)
<b>EASTER SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION</b>	10.00am	Mass – Int. People of the parish

## LITURGY OF THE WORD WITH OUR CHILDREN

During 10am Mass, we invite our younger children (approx. aged 3 to 7) to attend their own Liturgy of the Word in the Guild Room. **Parents are encouraged to join their children.** We welcome more help from those who seek to be leaders and support in this ministry to the children of our parish.

**Chrism Mass** Every year, Bishop Peter, clergy, and people of our diocese to gather at our Cathedral in Northampton to celebrate the Chrism Mass on Holy Thursday. At this Mass the holy oils of the Sick and Baptism will be blessed, and the Oil of Sacred Chrism Consecrated. These holy oils will be used to celebrate the Sacraments in the parishes of our Diocese during the next year. **The Mass will start at 11.00 am.** Following the Mass everyone is invited to the **buffet lunch** in the **Barratts Club** on Kingsthorpe Rd, just opposite and down the road from the Cathedral. (Cathedral, Kingsthorpe Rd, Northampton, NN2 6AG)

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Good Friday at 11am



## Money Matters

Last Sunday's Offertory Collection – £279.34

**AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED – £420.39**

**GOOD FRIDAY – Retiring Collection**  
**For the Christians of the Holy Land**

The Offertory Collection on Easter Sunday  
is your gift to the clergy

**The APRIL 2019 edition of The Vine**

The Diocese of Northampton newspaper is now  
available. **It's free of charge!**

**Are you new to the parish?**

If so, you are very welcome! Do introduce yourself  
to Father Andy after Mass, and please complete a  
parish registration form.



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

**Infant Baptism and Marriage.** By  
appointment with Fr Andy after completing  
the necessary preparation. **The Church**  
**requires** notice of at least six months prior  
to the Sacrament of Matrimony being  
celebrated.

## Connections to Church Teaching and Tradition

Today's readings from Isaiah depicts a servant who relies on God in order to "reply to the wearied" and each morning the Lord wakes him "to hear." This servant does not rebel; instead, he allows himself to be beaten and spat upon. This suffering Servant can be seen in the hymn from Philipians that describes Christ Jesus as emptying himself and "he was humbler yet, even to accepting death." The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* explains that Christ's humility is a model for those who follow him. "In humbling himself, he has given us an example to imitate" (520).

We look at the suffering of Jesus in the light of God's plan of salvation. By seeing our suffering in the light of faith, we find redemption in the struggles and pain of life, the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* explains. When evil, injustice, and suffering test our faith, the Catechism explains it is important to turn to the witnesses of faith such as Abraham, Mary, and others (164-165).

In the Gospel at the Procession, Jesus arrives in Jerusalem on a donkey, a manner that would be unlikely for a king. The Catechism explains that Jesus' entry into Jerusalem on Palm Sunday is a messianic action. He comes as a Messiah who is humble and poor (CCC, 559-560).

**Holy Week and Easter Mass and Liturgy Times for Our Lady's Church and other Catholic Churches in the Chilterns Pastoral Area are available please take a copy! Do take a Holy Week poster to display in a window of your home – it will remind your neighbours of this sacred season for Christians.**

## Pilgrimage to Medjugorje 30th May - 6th June

Includes return flights from Heathrow, 7 nights in 4\* Hotel Grace, breakfast & dinner daily, full religious programme, local guide, spiritual director. Price from **£569.00**. Book online @ [aglowpilgrimages.com](http://aglowpilgrimages.com) or call Jonathan on **0800 6894792** for more info.

## For spiritual formation in this holy season CATHOLIC BASICS COURSE

**Part Two: Church – 11 April 2019; Part Three: The Moral Life – 16 May 2019; Part Four: Prayer – 13 June 2019.** After a very successful launch, join us for another day of engaging teaching with opportunities for interaction and discussion. Cost: £25 per person per day (£10 for the unwaged). Price includes a full lunch. No qualifications needed – just interest, good will and a sense of humour! **Part Two: CHURCH – 11 April 2019, 10am–3pm** (arrive 9.30am for refreshments). **NORES Centre, Holy Ghost Parish, 33 Westbourne Road, Luton, LU4 8JD.** To book, contact [admin@nores.org.uk](mailto:admin@nores.org.uk) or phone Jackie on **01582 723312**.

**Sacraments of First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion 2019.** The children celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation during the First Week of Lent. At their Parish Enrolment, **Harrison, Sebastian, Mylee, Aiden, Abigail, Arianna, Sage and Elsie**, all made promises, together with their families, that they will work hard to prepare well for these great gifts from God. We their parish family, promised that we would support and encourage them with our prayers and good example. *Please keep them all in your prayers as they prepare for they prepare to receive Holy Communion for the first time.*

## Summer Camp 2019 4<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> August 2019

Summer Camp is five days of fun and activities where young Catholics gain formation and friendships. Included in the price is Accommodation in the castle, al food, daily Mass and Reconciliation, all activities including a day at Alton Towers Theme park, biking, trekking, climbing, archery, camp fires, messy games and much more. Cost £205 discounted minimum donation – £295 actual cost. We ask people to pay what they can reasonably afford. Alton Castle, Staffordshire. Coach travel is provided in the cost with stops in Slough and Northampton. Book online [www.nymo.org](http://www.nymo.org) or email [fiona@nymo.org](mailto:fiona@nymo.org) or call 01582 720627

## Lectionary for Mass

Today's readings for Palm Sunday highlight the resolve of God's servant to fulfil his will. In the First Reading, the "servant" speaks. This is the third of four servant oracles in the Book of Isaiah. The servant goes unnamed, but he is depicted as freely giving over his will to God. Here we are told that he did not refuse when God opened his ear to hear what a disciple needs to know, and he set his face like flint to do God's will, knowing that God would not allow him to be put to shame.

The Second Reading invites us to join our voices in praise of the Christ who emptied himself to take on the form of a slave and accept death on a cross. Because of his openness to God's will, he is exalted above every other name in the universe, but Paul situates the hymn in an admonition: "in your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus." Thus, we are called to join our lives to the self-emptying of Christ. Today's Gospel recounts the story of Jesus' passion and death as told by Luke, beginning with the Passover meal that he shared with his disciples to his burial by Joseph of Arimathea. But this journey to death began much earlier in Luke's Gospel account. In Luke 9:51, we are told, "As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem." Indeed, Jesus' entire life was oriented to the Paschal Mystery, the process of dying and rising to new life. As his disciples, we are called to do the same.

## Liturgy and Life

(1) How can the depiction of Jesus in the reading from Philipians be a model for how you should act? (2) When have you prayed to God to take a cup of suffering from you? (3) **What can you change in your week to enable you to attend a liturgy on Holy Thursday, Good Friday, or Holy Saturday?**

## Pilgrimage to Lindisfarne for young Adults (20s & 30s)

from Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> April to Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2019  
A time to walk along part of St. Cuthbert's way, reflect and pray with other young adults and spend time on the beautiful island of Lindisfarne. Accommodation is in a basic bunkhouse near St Cuthbert's cave. Cost - £85 to cover food and accommodation. For more information email [lynnefcj@hotmail.com](mailto:lynnefcj@hotmail.com) or find us on facebook (FCJ Young Adult Network)

## Vacancy Parish Youth Minister – Bedford – Full Time

We are delighted to advertise the role of Catholic Parish Youth Minister in the parishes of Ss Philip and James and Holy Cross, Bedford. This is a rare and exciting opportunity for a practising Catholic, with the right skills and experiences, to support and develop local young people in their faith and relationship with their parish. Full details of the role can be found by visiting [www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies](http://www.northamptondiocese.org/vacancies) or calling the diocesan HR Advisor on 01604 714840. The closing date for applications will be 03/05/2019.