



# St Joseph's Church

## Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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**Palm Sunday**

**9th April 2017**

### Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord

#### Mass Times

<b>8th</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Lent Feria</b>
	10.00	
	10.30	Confessions
	18.00	Vigil Mass with Hymns
	19.00	Confessions & Exposition with Benediction
<b>9th</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Palm Sunday</b>
	08.15	
	09.30	Folk Music & Little Church
	11.00	Solemn Mass
	12.30	With Hymns
	17.00	Stations of the Cross
	18.00	
<b>10th</b>	<b>Mon</b>	<b>Monday of Holy Week</b>
	07.30	
	10.00	
	18.00-19.00	Penitential Service
<b>11th</b>	<b>Tue</b>	<b>Tuesday of Holy Week</b>
	07.30	
	10.00	
	12.00	Chrim Mass in Westminster Cathedral
<b>12th</b>	<b>Wed</b>	<b>Wednesday of Holy Week</b>
	07.30	
	10.00	Funeral
	19.00	Tenebrae
<b>13th</b>	<b>Thu</b>	<b>Maundy Thursday</b>
	20.00	Mass of the Lord's Supper
		Watching at the Altar of Repose until Midnight
<b>14th</b>	<b>Fri</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
	10.30	Ecumenical Walk of Witness
	10.30	Children's Stations of the Cross
	12.00	Stations of the Cross
	15.00	Celebration of the Passion of the Lord
<b>15th</b>	<b>Sat</b>	<b>Holy Saturday</b>
	10.00	Confessions
	12.00	Blessing of Baskets
	20.30	Easter Vigil
<b>16th</b>	<b>Sun</b>	<b>Easter Sunday</b>
	08.15	
	09.30	Folk Music & Little Church
	11.00	Solemn Mass
	12.30	With Hymns
	18.00	

#### Confessions:

Saturday 10.30-11.00 & 19.00-19.30, First Friday 18.15-18.45

**Adoration & Benediction:** Saturday 19.00-19.30

**Baptisms:** Sunday 15.00 (By appointment)

**Form Signing:** Mon & Weds 18.00-19.00 Term time only

**Rosary:** Tuesday & Thursday at 18.45. April Int: To thank God for all His gifts, and not to take kindness for weakness.

**Sunday Readings:** Year A      **Weekday Readings:** Year 1

#### Cycle of Prayer: Lent

Candidates for the Sacraments, The Needy and Hungry of the World, Women, Penitents and Wanderers



*The Entry into Jerusalem Giotto (1304-06)*

### Palm Sunday

Today we begin Holy Week, it is the most solemn week in the Liturgical Year; during it we meditate on the events of the Pascal Mystery: Christ's Entry into Jerusalem, the Last Supper, his Death on the Cross and his Resurrection on Easter Sunday morning.

The Church takes us through all these events in a liturgical way and invites us to reflect deeply on these mysteries. Through the liturgy we accompany Christ each step of the way.

These events ought to have a profound effect on our lives; by celebrating them we become more aware of what Christ went through on our behalf and we come to a better realization of just how much we owe him. Experiencing these things deepens our faith and allows us to resolve to come closer to Christ and to be more effective witnesses to his name.

We begin today with Christ's Entry into Jerusalem riding on a donkey. He is greeted by the ordinary people as the New Messiah. They strew branches in his path and sing Hosanna. This is not the ceremonial entry into the city of any earthly king accompanied by soldiers and great pomp.

No, this is the entry of the King of Kings who relies only on the simplest and poorest members of the community to be his entourage. The paradox is that Christ has no need of courtiers or servants or soldiers. He needs nothing to prove his kingship. He is a King who lays down his life for his people. He is the very best King there ever could be.

*Father Alex*

### Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross in the Church on Palm Sunday at 17.00.

### Tenebrae

Our choir will perform the traditional Holy Week service of Tenebrae on Wednesday 12th April at 19.00. It is a service of psalms and readings with the gradual extinguishing of candles leaving the Church in darkness. It is a good way of experiencing the spirituality of Holy Week.

## When it is dark enough, you can see the stars

### Scripture Study Group

Scripture Study Group is taking a break until after Easter. It will next meet on Friday 28th April at 10.30 in the Pastoral Office for an hour to study the following Sunday's readings.

### Little Church

Little Church and Tiny Church are taking a break over Easter. It will resume on the Second Sunday of Easter.

### Easter Offerings

Please remember that your Easter Offering is your personal offering to the clergy. Thank you for your kindness.

### Święcenie Koszyków

The Blessing of Baskets is a unique Polish Easter Tradition. If you wish to have your baskets of food blessed please bring them to Church on Holy Saturday 15th April at 12:00.

## Holy Week Services at St Joseph's

### Please take a card from the back of the Church

10th Monday..... Masses at 07.30 & 10.00  
Penitential Service 19.00  
11th Tuesday..... Masses at 07.30 & 10.00  
Christ Mass at Westminster Cathedral 12.00  
12th Wednesday ..... Masses at 07.30 & 10.00  
Tenebrae 19.00

### The Paschal Triduum

13th Holy Thursday.....No morning Mass  
Mass of the Lord's Supper 20.00  
Watching at the Altar of Repose till Midnight  
14th Good Friday .... Children's Stations of the Cross 10.30  
Ecumenical Walk of Witness 10.30  
Stations of the Cross 12.00  
Celebration of the Lord's Passion 15.00

15th Holy Saturday.....No morning Mass  
Confessions 10.00 - 11.00  
Blessing of Baskets 12.00  
Easter Vigil 20.30

16th Easter Sunday .... 08.15, 09.30, 11.00, 12.30 & 18.00  
Easter Week ..... One Mass Only at 10.00

## When life isn't a bed of roses, remember who wore the thorns

### 200 Club April Winners

1st Prize, £250 ..... Mr A Warn  
2nd Prize, £100 ..... Pam Singh  
3rd Prize, £50 ..... Secunda Fernandes  
4th Prize, £50 ..... Julie Lynch  
5th Prize, £50 ..... Anthony Fernandes

Congratulations to all our winners!

The next draw will take place on Sunday 7th May.

Forms to sign up for the 200 Club are at the back of Church.

### Forthcoming Dates

Sister Avril's Reflection ..... 25th April  
Parish Council ..... 4th May  
First Communion ..... 6th, 13th, 20th May  
Confirmation ..... 9th, 10th, 17th May  
Parish AGM ..... 6th July



### Offertory Collection

Our Offertory Collection declined in the last financial year. We have a lot of expenses with the upkeep of the Church and to finance our new developments. Please consider putting £1 extra in the collection each week so we can meet our commitments.

### Offertory Envelopes

Please pick up a new set of Offertory Envelopes from the Church porch. If you would like a set of envelopes please ring the Parish Office on 8427 1955 during office hours.

### Easter Duties

The faithful are required by Canon Law to receive the Eucharist at least once a year and this precept should be fulfilled during the Easter Season. It is presumed that Catholics would ordinarily go to confession in preparation for receiving Holy Communion.

### Penitential Services

There will be Penitential Service for Lent on Monday 10th April at 19.00. Confessions also from 10.00 to 11.00 on Holy Saturday.

### Baptism Course

The next Baptism course will be on Sunday 23rd April after the 9.30am Mass in the Catechist's office. Please register with Deacon Stephen.

### Repository

The Repository currently has gifts and cards available for Easter, First Communion and Confirmation. Volunteers are required to run the Repository after the Sunday evening Mass on the 4th and 5th Sunday of the month. If you can help please call Susan Whelan on 07786 980374.

### Fundraising Concert

Due to building work in the Salvatorian College starting at Easter, it will not be possible to hold an International Day this year. Instead, we plan to hold a concert in the Church on Friday 30th June 19.30-21.30. Details of how you can get involved either as a performer or behind the scenes will be available shortly. Contact Julie Conneely: 8427 1955.

## While the world changes, the cross stands firm

St. Bruno

### Last Week's Offertory Collection

Sunday 2nd April £3,255. Many thanks.

### Second Collections

Good Friday 14th April Holy Places

### Counting Group

Today Group 2: Next Sunday Group 3.

### Church Cleaning

Thursday 13th April, Group 2, 11.30 - 12.30.

### Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Rota

**9th** Sat 18.00 C D'Souza, S Mantio, T Kinsella; Sun 8.15 M Correa, E D'Souza, R Yep; 9.30 J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, G Simpungwe 12.30 A Jervis, J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo. **16th** Sat 18.00 T Kinsella, G Teague, S Mantio; Sun 8.15 R Yep, M Correa, T Drew; 9.30 P Horne, J Donohue, J Fay; 11.00 I Walker, G Simpungwe; 12.30 J Conneely; 18.00 E McCarthy, A Arrigo.

### Readers' Rota

**9th** 18.00 A Goldwyn; Sun 8.15 A Yep, E Arjune; 9.30 **Reader Required**; 11.00 M Ruane, F Ejifor; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 A Goldwyn. **16th** 18.00 C D'Souza; Sun 8.15 A Yep, E Amalathas; 9.30 A Avenia-Viney; 11.00 M Kelly; 12.30 **Reader Required**; 18.00 E Amexo, A Goldwyn.

### Recently Deceased

*Keith Cormican*, son of Joe & Eileen. Reception: Tuesday 11th April at 19.00. Requiem Mass: Wednesday 12th April at 10.00 followed by cremation at Breakspear. Family flowers only. There will be a collection in aid of the London Ambulance Service after the funeral in memory of Keith.

*May he rest in peace*