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## *Two Weeks Newsletter*

### *Palm Sunday (28<sup>th</sup> March) and Easter Sunday (4<sup>th</sup> April)*

#### CLOCKS GO FORWARD

#### LITURGY AND SPIRITUAL LIFE

<u>27<sup>th</sup>/28<sup>th</sup> March</u>		<u>PALM SUNDAY</u>
Saturday	6.00 –	Mass: Maroun Salim Mourani (R.D.)
Sunday	8.00 – 10.00 –	Mass: Jonathan Griffin (R.D.) Mass: Mary Barringer (R.D.)
Monday	9.00 –	Mass: Emma Newson
Tuesday	9.15 –	Mass: Richard Langtree & Mary Rennick (RIP)
Wednesday	11.00 – 12.00 –	Adoration Mass: Jonathan Griffin (R.D.)
Thursday	6.00 –	<u>MAUNDY THURSDAY</u> Mass: Parishioners
Friday	** 3pm **	<u>GOOD FRIDAY</u> NO 8.30 pm MASS - Service of Passion @ 3pm
Saturday	** 8pm **	<u>Next Weekend – HOLY SATURDAY</u> NO 6pm MASS: Vigil Mass @ 8pm

#### COMMUNITY LIFE AND SERVICE

<u>4<sup>th</sup> April</u>		<u>EASTER SUNDAY</u>
Sunday	8.00 – 10.00 –	Mass: Parishioners Mass: Catherine Greaves (RIP)
Monday	9.00 –	Mass: The NHS thank you
Tuesday	9.15 –	Mass: Rita, Stuart & Henry Gibson Special Intention
Wednesday	12.00 –	Mass: Michael Carol
Thursday	6.00 –	Mass: Cathy Barbow (R.D.)
Friday	8.30 –	Mass: Julia Richardson (R.D.)
<u>Next Weekend – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter</u>		
Saturday	9.00 – 6.00 –	Adoration Mass: Joseph & Ian McLoughlin (Rem.)
Sunday	8.00 – 10.00 –	Mass: Sister Mary Special Intention Mass: Parishioners

#### THE WEDNESDAY WORD

**Preparing next Sunday's Mass:**

First Reading:	Acts 10:34.37-43	Peter Instructs Cornelius
Second Reading:	Colossians 3:1-4	New Life in Christ
Gospel:	John 20:1-9	The Empty Tomb

**After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.**

There are several accounts in the various gospels of the discovery of the empty tomb. The slight variations between them show all the marks of oral tradition, for in genuine oral tradition each 'performance' is different. Different people tell the story slightly differently, stressing different aspects. This story stresses the proof that the tomb really was empty, for the apostles examine the evidence carefully. Other accounts concentrate less on the evidence and more on the message, that they will meet the Risen Lord in Galilee. It was important to establish that the tomb was empty, to prevent the charge that the meetings with the Risen Christ were simply ghost-appearances. Apart from the proof that this was a real, living and bodily person, these meetings emphasise two factors, the power of the Risen Christ and the commission given to the disciples. The disciples are to go out into the whole world and spread the message, always accompanied and strengthened by Christ himself. In this account Simon Peter is clearly the senior, authority figure, to whom the Beloved Disciple defers. But it is the love of the Beloved Disciple which brings him to faith. **What aspects of the gospel accounts of the resurrection help to strengthen your own faith?**

Dom Henry Wansborough OSB

This reflection is taken from "The Wednesday Word", download more at: [www.wednesdayword.org/parish](http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish)  
and also try: [www.sundaygospel.co.uk](http://www.sundaygospel.co.uk)

## PARISH VISION

Illuminated by the light of Christ and led by the Holy Spirit, we St Teresa's Parish strive always to be a loving and welcoming community where all people are included and valued, and strangers are treated as friends. Fed and nurtured by scripture, prayer and the Sacraments, we journey together, seeking always to come closer to God, so that we can proclaim His love in our thoughts and words and by our actions in the world.

### FR. PHILIP'S REFLECTION

Death is something we will all have to face; our own or that of a loved one. Does it help us to know as Christians that death is not the end? Not really, because we still feel the pain of loss and separation and it can make us feel very sad and depressed, even for a long time. This is the reality. This was the reality of the disciples on Good Friday.

**We need Easter.** Easter gives us hope and confidence that death is not the end. The disciples sadness was turned into **JOY**. May the Easter story repeated each year give us inner hope and confidence to say ...

**"HE IS NOT HERE, HE IS RISEN"**

### POPE FRANCIS'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS 2021

#### March - Sacrament of Reconciliation

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God. Further information can be found at [www.apostleshipofprayer.org](http://www.apostleshipofprayer.org)

#### April - Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

### GOOD FRIDAY, EASTER VIGIL and EASTER SUNDAY

Tickets for the Easter masses are available to collect from the back of Church. Please contact Eleanor between 9 and 12 in the office or email her on [stteresas. Upholland@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:stteresas. Upholland@rcaol.org.uk) to enquire if there is any availability. If you find that you cannot attend please return your ticket(s) so that Eleanor can pass them on to the next person on the waiting list. Don't forget to leave a phone number when contacting the office by phone or email.

### EASTER CARDS

We now have more Easter Cards available at the back of Church on the brown table. They will be on sale from **Friday, 26<sup>th</sup> March** onwards.. If you would like to buy any please place the money in the shop box at the back of Church.

### GOOD FRIDAY HOLY LAND COLLECTION

#### A Message from Archbishop Malcolm

Just a reminder that the collection on Good Friday is traditionally held for the Holy Land. As this is a difficult time financially for everyone, including those who live and work in the Holy Land, may this year's collection *pro Terra Sancta* on Good Friday be an opportunity not to ignore the difficult situation of our brothers and sisters of the Holy Places but rather to lighten burdens.

This collection was born from the desire of the Popes to maintain a strong link between all the faithful and the Holy Places. Through these funds, the Franciscan Custody of the Holy Land is able to carry out the important mission to which it is called: preserving the Sacred Places, the stones of memory, and promoting the Christian presence, the living stones, through many pastoral, educational, welfare, health and social structures. As a rule, the Custody of the Holy Land receives 65% of the collection, while the remaining 35% goes to the Congregation for the Eastern Churches, which uses it for the formation of candidates for the priesthood, the support of the clergy, educational activities, cultural formation and subsidies to the various ecclesiastical circumscriptions in the Middle East. With every good wish. +Malcolm

### MASS OF CHRISM

Archbishop Malcolm will celebrate the **Mass of Chrism** at the Metropolitan Cathedral on **Wednesday, 31st March at 6p.m.** (please note the time is earlier than usual). A restricted number of clergy, religious and lay faithful will be able to attend the Mass in person and will require a ticket (applications for tickets should be addressed to Claire Hanlon by email [c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk](mailto:c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk)).

For those who wish to participate in the Mass via the live-streaming service, you may use either of the following two links:

<https://www.youtube.com/c/TheMetropolitanCathedralliverpool>

<https://www.facebook.com/liverpoolmetro cathedral>

### FOOD BANKS

We have traditionally supported the food bank at the Ecumenical Centre in Skelmersdale. This food bank is part of the Trussell Trust and whilst we recognise that they do fantastic work we are aware that sometimes people fall through the gaps of eligibility for help from this organisation. Therefore, we have decided to support all four local food banks. Each month we will collect for a different food bank. Donations can be left under the brown tables at the back of Church.

**Rest of March and April:** Upholland Food Bank

**May:** SVP based at St Francis run by Skelmersdale Catholic Churches

**June:** Trussell Trust at Ecumenical Centre

**July:** Evermoor Hub food bank

We will then rotate for each food bank on a fourth monthly basis

### PASTORAL FORMATION

New resources now available include:

- [Reflection for Palm Sunday \(also available as an audio download\).](#)
- [Readings for Palm Sunday.](#)
- [Weeks 29, 30 and 31 \(the finale\) in the series of 'Armchair Retreats' with Fr Denis Blackledge SJ.](#)

You may also like to check out Fr Conor Stainton-Polland's [recent talk](#) (via Zoom) to a parish in Belfast as part of their Lenten Reflections. The talk looks at how The Lord's Prayer describes his passion and vice versa.

### MISSIO BOXES

If anyone has left a red Missio box, the money will be counted and the parish will send a cheque off. People can also send a cheque directly to Red Box, 23 Eccleston Square, London SW1V 1NU, or,

Bank transfer as follows: Account Name: Missio, Sort Code 16-00-16, Account Number: 10824230, Reference: RB + your postcode

You can also give online: Go to [missio.org.uk/redbox](http://missio.org.uk/redbox)

### MONEY MATTERS

**Thank you** for last weeks offertory of £520.95 + S/O

**Offertory:** There are baskets in Church which you can leave donations in. Cash and cheque donations can also be posted through the presbytery door