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## Sunday 28th March 2021 – PALM SUNDAY

**The Year of St. Joseph** A daily prayer to St. Joseph. *“Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted His only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became a man. Blessed St. Joseph, to us too, show yourself to be a father, and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen”*

**Palm Sunday** Due to Covid restrictions, our services/Masses from Palm Sunday through Holy Week to Easter Day will be greatly simplified. On Palm Sunday there will be no procession at the beginning of Mass and Palm Crosses will be distributed after Mass as you leave. The shorter form of the Passion Gospel from St. Mark will be read without the (usual) additional readers and without the (usual) congregational responses of the crowd.

**Mass Intentions this Sunday** ( Palm Sunday - 28th) St. John Kemble **Saturday** 4-00p.m. Harry Doherty (RIP); St. Joseph's 6-00p.m. Fr Bill Lloyd (RIP) ( Elias Family ); **CLOCKS CHANGE!!** **Sunday** 8-00a.m. Parish & People; 10-30a.m. Teresa Diez (RIP) ( Isabel and Peter ).

**HOLY WEEK SERVICE/MASS TIMES.** **Holy Thursday** – Mass of the Lord's Supper -7-00 p.m ( No washing of feet; the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed in the Tabernacle immediately after Mass, although those who wish to remain in their seats after Mass for a time of prayer are invited to do so). **Good Friday** – Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – 2-00 p.m. ( No procession or veneration of the Cross ). **Easter Vigil** – Saturday 8-00 p.m. ( No lighting of the Paschal Candle from the fire outside, no congregational candles, no blessing of the congregation with Holy Water – a greatly simplified liturgy ). **Easter Day**- Mass at 7-30 a.m. ( 9-00 a.m at St. John Kemble ) 10-30 a.m

**HOLY WEEK** Wednesday ( 31<sup>st</sup> ) 9-30 a.m. Fr. Patrick Joyce (RIP) (SPCD ); 11-00 a.m. Joseph Barry (RIP) (Terry); **Holy Thursday** (1<sup>st</sup> April) **Mass of the Lord's Supper** 7-00 p.m. Giovanna Evans (RIP) ( Eveline, John & families ); Good Friday ( 2<sup>nd</sup> April ) **Liturgy of the Lord's Passion** 2-00 p.m.

**Mass Intentions next weekend** (3<sup>rd</sup> April ) **Saturday Easter Vigil Mass** 8-00 p.m. Parish & People. **Sunday** ( 4<sup>th</sup> April ) ( **Please note the time** ) **7-30 a.m.** Ann Butler (RIP) ( Paula & Adrian ); 9-00 a.m. ( St. John Kemble ) The Newcombe and Thickens ( Deceased members RIP ) ( June & family); 10-30a.m. Brian James (RIP) ( Karen & Doug ).

**The Shroud of Turin** will go on virtual display on Holy Saturday ( 3<sup>rd</sup> April) from 4-30 p.m. livestreamed from the Cathedral of St. John the Baptist, Turin with reflections from Turin's young people on the theme of hope. Archbishop Nosiglia will celebrate the Easter Vigil Liturgy before the Shroud.

**Anniversaries:** Of your charity, remember in prayer those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Jean Thompson (2015); David Collier (2008); Marion O'Grady (2015); Margaret Jenkins.(2014); John Campbell (2004); Mary Protheroe (2016); Maureen Maher (2016); *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, And let light perpetual shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

**Candles** Sacred Heart – McAteer Family (RIP); Our Lady – Nixey Family (RIP); St. Joseph – Mavis Jones (RIP).

**Congratulations and all good wishes** to David and Gaynor Morgan who will be celebrating their 60<sup>th</sup> ( Diamond) Wedding Anniversary next Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> April.

**Congratulations and all good wishes** to Andrew Stephens who will be received into the Full Communion of the Catholic Church through the Sacraments of Baptism and Confirmation next Sunday afternoon ( Easter Day ) here in St. Joseph's.

**ENVELOPE BOXES** (from April 2021-22) – these are now available as you leave via the Lady Chapel. If you do not already regularly donate to the church through the church envelope scheme and would like to do so, please see Robert Grant for a box. Many thanks.

**Thank you for last Sunday's Collection** – St. Joseph's £323-48 ( plus Direct Debits). St.John Kemble £29-00. Many thanks.

**Driveway Appeal** Many thanks for the further generous ( "anonymous" ) donation this week of £1,000 to the driveway appeal ( which with the addition of gift aid amounts, in fact, to £1,250 ). We now have the magnificent sum of **£48,435** (including gift aid ) in the Driveway Appeal Fund. All donations gratefully received. Please remember that if you gift aid, an additional 25% is added to the value of your donation. We hope to raise a further (approx.) £11,000 in the next few months and to employ the services of a surveyor to design and cost tarmacking ( and draining ) the driveway/carpark and installing some form of lighting for the driveway/carpark. Thank you to all who have so generously donated to this Appeal. **Many thanks.**

**PLEASE NOTE** – To all stewards, readers and cleaners. **THERE IS NO OBLIGATION TO COME TO CHURCH IF YOU DO NOT FEEL SAFE OR COMFORTABLE TO DO SO.** Please let Fr. Neil know so that he can arrange a replacement. Thank you.

**Readers: This Sunday** ( Palm Sunday) 6-00p.m. Sian Loynes. 8-00a.m. Adrian & Paula Macpherson-Jones. 10-30a.m. Bethan Lee. **Holy Thursday** Paula and Adrian Macpherson-Jones; **Good Friday** Peter Buckingham; **Next Sunday (Easter Sunday)** 8-00p.m. ( Saturday Vigil Mass ) Lorna Halloran, Patrick McAteer, Sian Loynes, Angela Healey; Sunday 7-30 a.m. Gregory Page; 10-30a.m Des Nicholas

**Stewarding This Sunday** ( 28th ) 6-00 p.m. Angela & Geraint. 8-00 a.m. Christopher & Gregory. 10-30 a.m. John, Aimee & Olivia; **Holy Thursday** Luke & Lena; **Good Friday** John, Aimee & Olivia **Next Sunday** (Easter Day ) 8-00p.m. Angela & Geraint. 7-30a.m. Christopher and Gregory; 10-30a.m. Luke & Lena

**Cleaning Teams. This Sunday** (28th) 6-00p.m. Volunteers please. 8-00a.m. Martin & Nuala. 10-30a.m. Elma, Hannah and Tomy. **Next Sunday** (3<sup>rd</sup> April) 8-00p.m. Volunteers please; 7-30 a.m. Martin & Nuala. 10-30a.m. Joan and volunteer please.

**DOMSEC Livestreamed Events in 2021** A full programme of (over 25) events! See [www.domsec.org.uk](http://www.domsec.org.uk) or [www.ourladystaroftheseamumbles.org.uk](http://www.ourladystaroftheseamumbles.org.uk) to access the livestreams and click "Livestream" on the menu bar.

**The Sick and Housebound** Please continue to remember in your prayers all those who are sick and housebound, those in hospital and in our local care homes and all those who are self-isolating because of the Pandemic. Especially at this time, Jason Saunders, Tess Court, Marjorie Grant, Yolanda Jones, Elizabeth Fluck, Lorna O'Brien, Betty Hopkins, Maureen Pitt. If you would like others to be remembered in this prayer list (with their permission) please supply their names.

**A Coronavirus Prayer.** " Lord Jesus Christ, You travelled through towns and villages ' curing every disease and illness'. At Your command, the sick were made well. Come now to our aid, in the midst of this global pandemic, and send down Your blessing and healing upon us and protect our healthcare workers. Bring us through to Resurrection and a New Pentecost. For Thy Name's sake. Amen".

**Pastoral Visits** Please note that Fr.Neil is happy to call if you are continuing to self-isolate at home but would appreciate a visit. Please note that, except for emergencies, Fr.Neil will not call uninvited during the pandemic. **Please note: At present, the Sacrament of Reconciliation – by arrangement**

**YOUNG PEOPLE** ( age 18 – 30 ) A zoom discussion group for catholic young adults meeting on Monday evenings. Get to know other catholic young people in the Diocese. Please contact Fr. Matt Roche-Saunders at [vocations@menevia.org](mailto:vocations@menevia.org) for more information. Also check out <https://acutisproject.com/events/> providing free digital resources and training for young Catholics.

**Please Note** If you wish to reserve a particular date or day for a Mass Intention, please note that Saturday and Sunday Masses and weekday Masses are already reserved for a particular intention until **the end of May**. Please think several months ahead if you would like to reserve a particular date ( or nearest date ). Thank you