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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Sunday 10th April 2022

Holy Mass

Intention

Saturday for Sunday

5:30pm Vigil Mass

Pro Populo

SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

Ivy Woodford

11:00am Solemn Mass

Ann McGowan RIP Anniv

4:00pm Reception

Eileen McGill

Weekday Masses

Holy Monday 11th

11:00am Requiem Mass

Eileen McGill

6:00pm Holy Mass

Seamus Clinton

Holy Tuesday 12th

9:00am Rosary & Novena

9:30am Holy Mass

Vera Titmus Ints

Holy Wednesday 13th

11:30am Chrism Mass at Saint Chad's Cathedral

6:00pm Holy Mass

Joseph Moonjely RIP Anniv

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY 14th

7:00pm THE SOLEMN MASS OF

THE LORD'S SUPPER

Watch at the Altar of Repose

10:00pm Compline

GOOD FRIDAY 15th

10:00am Tenebrae

12noon Stations of the Cross

3:00pm THE PASSION OF THE LORD

After the Passion the beginning of the

Divine Mercy Novena

7:00pm The Seven Sorrows of Mary

Holy Saturday 16th

10:00am Tenebrae & Divine Mercy Novena

Next Sunday 17th

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE

RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Saturday for Sunday

8:00pm THE SOLEMN PASCHAL VIGIL MASS

OF THE RESURRECTION

EASTER SUNDAY

9:00am Holy Mass

Sam & Kayla Daniels

10:40am Divine Mercy Novena

11:00am SOLEMN MASS OF THE RESURRECTION

Pro Populo

The Sacrament of Reconciliation

Monday & Wednesday after the evening Mass

Rosary Monday – Wednesday before Mass



We have now arrived at the heart of Holy Week, the culmination of the Lenten journey. On Thursday we shall enter the Easter Triduum, the three holy days in which the Church commemorates the mystery of the Passion, death and Resurrection of Jesus.

The Son of God, who, after becoming man in obedience to the Father, similar to us in all things save sin, accepted to do the Father's will to the very end. He accepted the Passion and the Cross out of love for us, to enable us to share in his Resurrection so that, in him and for him, we might live for ever in consolation and in peace.

I therefore urge you to accept this mystery of salvation and to participate intensely in the Easter Triduum, the fulcrum of the entire Liturgical Year and a time of special grace for every Christian. I invite you in these days to seek recollection and prayer, so as to draw more deeply from this source of grace. In this regard, with a view to the forthcoming celebrations every Christian is asked to celebrate the sacrament of Reconciliation, a moment of special adherence to the death and Resurrection of Christ, to be able to participate more fruitfully in Holy Easter.

HOLY MONDAY, HOLY TUESDAY & HOLY WEDNESDAY

Please note the changes to the Mass times.



THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

In these three sacred moments the whole mystery of the Mass enfolds before us, the mystery of our eternal Salvation.

This is a time when we can receive Sanctifying Grace from God who in His great Love for us brings us into the very mystery of His Love. The Mass of the Lord's Supper, the Celebration of the Passion and the Pascha Vigil Mass of the Resurrection are the very heart of the faith. The Sacred Triduum is everything for us and so I pray that it will be a time of great blessing for you all. A blessed Holy Week.

With my prayers

Fr Christopher

RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

Please take very great care as this is so sacred. As you approach the Priest remove your face covering so that you can receive the Host with great care and reverence. **Do not move while holding the Blessed Sacrament.** If you wish to receive on the tongue, please come to the communion rails last.

If you need the Most Blessed Sacrament brought to you at Holy Communion please sit at the front of the Church and in any case at the end of a bench so that the greatest amount of honour and respect can be shown to Jesus. It is not appropriate that the Priest or minister has to reach across other people.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL

Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Recently Deceased – May they rest in peace

Eileen McGill

Kath Lydiatt

Eugene Reynolds

Frank Burford –

Requiem Mass Thursday 21st 11:00am

Elizabeth Ward –

Requiem Mass Wednesday 27th 11:00am

THE SANCTUARY LAMPS This week are sponsored the Pretty, Whelan and McGill Families.

Please use envelopes provided for Mass Intentions and Sanctuary Lamp sponsorship.

WEEKLY GIVING TO THE CHURCH

03.04.22 - Gift Aid: £101.00 Non-Gift Aid: £509.54

Total: £610.54

Thank you for your support and generosity

SECOND COLLECTIONS

This Weekend – Easter Flowers

GIFT AID AND NON-GIFT AID DONATIONS

Thank you to those who have agreed to change to standing order donations. For more information on how to do this please contact the Parish office. Paying by standing order reduces the bank charges for the parish.

Gift Aid and Planned Giving Envelopes Ready for collection in the porch.

CHURCH CLEANING – Tuesday 12th from 10:00am

In preparation for Easter

Office Hours: The Parish Office is open between 10:30am and 2:30pm Mon, Tue & Wed. Any requests for Baptism Appointments, certificates, parish centre enquiries etc; should be made during these times. Tel. 0121 743 2367 or Email: stthomasmore.bham@rcaob.org.uk

PARISH DIARY

APRIL

Sunday 10th The beginning of Holy Week

Thursday 14th – Saturday 16th

The Sacred Paschal Triduum

Maundy Thursday 14th

Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper 7:00pm

Good Friday 15th

The Passion of the Lord 3:00pm

Holy Saturday 16th

Solemn Paschal Vigil Mass of the Resurrection 8:00pm

Sunday 17th

Easter Day

Sunday 24th

Divine Mercy & Solemn Benediction 3:00pm

Saturday 30th

Comedy Night – Tickets £10 per person, on Sale now. 5 Comedy Acts, Fully licensed bar, serving Beer, Ale, Wine & Gin.

MAY

Sunday 1st

Rosary & Solemn Benediction 3:00pm

JUNE

Sunday 26th

Afternoon Tea 3:00pm

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

This year the Walk of Witness is restored and will start from Saint Thomas More Church at 11:15am. If you are able please join this time of prayer.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

This is an important part of getting ready for the actual celebration of Holy Baptism. The next meeting is **Tuesday 17th May, at 6:30pm**, after the evening Mass.

FIRST RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

If you have a child in year 3 or above not at our Catholic Schools who wishes to make their First Reconciliation and First Holy please collect an application form from the Sacristy after Mass or phone the Parish office. The Instruction class will be on **Tuesday 26th April at 4:00pm** in church.

SAINT MARY'S COLLEGE, OSCOTT – TRUSTEES

Oscott College, the diocesan seminary, which forms men for the priesthood and the diaconate from England Wales, Scotland and further afield, is looking for additional trustees.

The particular areas of expertise which are needed are:-

- Diversity and inclusion
- Education and academia
- HR and training
- IT and digital
- Media/PR

Trusteeship is a voluntary role, and is a way to put your skills at the service of the church. If you would like any further information please contact Jackie Hall, College Bursar at Oscott.jackie.hall@oscott.org

SAINT THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC SCHOOL

OFFICE MANAGER – Required as soon as possible. We are looking for a highly motivated individual who is enthusiastic, efficient and loves to work with people. Grade 3, 36.5 hours per week, term time only Maternity Cover To Apply please visit the website at: www.sttommore.bham.sch.uk or contact the school office on 0121 743 3289 or enquiry@sttommore.bham.sch.uk