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LITURGY, CONFESSION & MASS TIMES

Sun 24th Mar + PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD *Ps Wk 2*
Mark 11:1-10; Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:47 (p. 180)
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon (LS), 6pm **OLW:** Mass 10am

Mon 25th Mar MONDAY OF HOLY WEEK
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Church cleaning 10am, Confessions 11am—11.45am, Funeral Mass of Helen Sullivan RIP 12 noon (LS)

Tues 26th Mar TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLSG: Mass 9.30am (No 12noon Mass due to Chrism Mass in the Cathedral)

Wed 27th Mar WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK
HFC: Mass 8am. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 7-8pm
OLW: Stations of the Cross 10am.
OLSG: Confessions 11am—11.45am, Mass 12 noon (LS)

Thur 28th Mar THURSDAY OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (MAUNDY THURSDAY)
OLSG: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9am
Confessions 10am—11am and 6pm—7pm
Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.30pm (LS) (p.196), followed by watching at the Altar of Repose until midnight

Fri 29th Mar FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)
OLSG: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer 9am
Children's Stations of the Cross 11am
The Passion of the Lord 3pm (LS) (p.201). Stations of the Cross 7pm.
OLW: The Passion of the Lord 7pm (p.201)

Sat 30th Mar HOLY SATURDAY
OLSG: Office of Readings & Morning Payer 9am
Confession 10am—11am and 6pm—7pm
Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter 7.30pm (LS) (p.220)

Sun 31st Mar + EASTER SUNDAY
Acts 10:34, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9 (p.255)
OLSG: Mass 8am, 9am, 10.30am and 12 noon (LS). No 6pm Mass
OLW: Mass 10am

Key: **OLSG:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George
OLW: Our Lady of Walsingham, Holtwhites Hill, EN2 8HG
HFC: Holy Family Convent, 52 London Road, EN2 6EN
LS: Mass also live-streamed: www.catholickenfield.org/live-stream/

Mass in Polish: For information visit www.parafiaenfield.org

Our Lady of Mount Carmel & Saint George

with Our Lady of Walsingham & the English Martyrs

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

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| Year B | + PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD | 24th March 2024 |
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Holy Week

We begin Holy Week with the celebration of The Passion of Our Lord on Passion (or Palm) Sunday. We hold up our palms for blessing and process solemnly into the church and hear the Passion reading from the Gospel according to Mark. Five days later on Good Friday we will hear the Passion according to John. These well-known passages are at first glance so familiar. We all know the story of the crucifixion and resurrection, but there is a great richness and layers of meaning behind the text.

Jesus arrives at Jerusalem from the East through Bethphage, Bethany and the Mount of Olives. This seeming trivial piece of geographical detail would have been highly significant to the Jews as it indicates that Jesus is entering Jerusalem and approaching the Temple from the east.

Five hundred years earlier the prophet Ezekiel (chapter 10) described a vision of the Shekinah (The Glory of the Lord) leaving the temple by the East Gate and hovering in the east around the Mount of Olives. The Shekinah left because of corruption in the temple, which was devastating news for the Jews.

The Shekinah would eventually come back from the East (Ezekiel 43).

When Jesus heads towards Jerusalem the Glory of the Lord is dwelling in him and the Jews were waiting for this moment. He arrives at the temple, turns out the traders, and says 'destroy this temple and I will raise it in three days', but he is referring to the temple which is his body, which truly is the meeting of heaven and earth.

How does the King of Glory arrive? These days our leaders arrive in big SUVs with an army of bodyguards. In the time of Jesus, a King would have arrived on a horse in battle gear ready for a fight as a show of power. Jesus arrives on a colt, a small young donkey that has not even been sat on before, which is a statement of coming in peace. This is how the King of Glory enters and humbly processes to the altar of the Cross where he is to offer the ultimate sacrifice to save us.

May we walk humbly with Jesus on this journey through Holy Week.

Wishing you every blessing.

Deacon Peter

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PLEASE PRAY FOR:

The sick & housebound: Dennis Cox, Carol Cormack, Patricia Osman, Jane Wrangles, Mary Goulding, Patrick Mortimer and Eddie Apap.

Those who have died: Fr Michael Daley, Helen Sullivan, Margaret Walsh & Antonio Di Monaco.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Yolanda Croci, Ellen Brett, Carmine Argenza and Francesca Argenza.

THE LAMPS IN OUR CHURCHES**This week the lamp:**

by the Sacred Heart Chapel burns for Marie Coutinho - Healing

Lamp intentions may be booked by contacting the Presbytery

**-PARISH NOTICES-****Change to Mass time on Tuesday 26th March.**

Mass at 8am at HFC and 9.30am at OLSG (instead of 12 noon), due to the Chrism Mass in Westminster Cathedral at 12 noon.

Confessions in Holy Week are as follows:

Monday: 11am-11.45am

Tuesday: No Confessions

Wednesday: 11am-11.45am

Thursday: 10am-11am and 6pm-7pm

Friday: No Confessions

Saturday 10am-11am and 6pm-7pm

Stations of the Cross at OLW will take place at 10am on Wednesday 27th March.

Good Friday Stations of the Cross at OLSG.

There will be a Children's Stations of the Cross at 11am and Stations of the Cross at 7pm.

Good Friday - Day of Fast and Abstinence

(one main meal and snack and no meat). In accordance with Canon Law abstinence applies to those over 14 years of age. Those over 60 years of age are exempt from fasting.

There will be a Collection on Good Friday for the Holy Places of Palestine.

Volunteers on Holy Saturday, 30th March

11am-1pm. Help will be appreciated if you can spare an hour or so to assist with cleaning the church and preparing it for the celebration of the Easter Vigil. All welcome.

The Car Park will be closed on Holy

Saturday evening from 5pm because the Easter Vigil starts in the church grounds at 7.30pm with the blessing of the new fire and a procession into the church led by the newly lit Paschal Candle.

Please note that on **Holy Saturday, 30th March**, the normal Saturday evening Mass at 6pm is replaced by the **Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter at 7.30pm**, with Baptisms and Confirmations. **There is No evening Mass on Easter Sunday, 31st March.**

Holy Week & Easter Services Leaflet now available to take from the porch. Also on: www.catholickenfield.org

Church Opening Times at OLSG: Monday-Friday 7am-6pm; Saturday & Sunday 7am-7pm. However this week the church will close later on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday & Holy Saturday.

Presbytery Opening Times from Friday

29th March to Monday 1st April. Reception will be open on Holy Saturday 9.30am to 1pm and on Easter Sunday 10am to 1pm. Reception will be closed on Good Friday and on Bank Holiday Easter Monday. Thank you to all our volunteer receptionists.

Easter Lily. A lily has long been associated with the resurrection of Christ and our hope in eternal life; our parish proudly continues this ancient tradition. You are invited to buy

a lily in memory of a departed loved one, by placing £5 donation and the name of the person in an envelope, and leaving it in the presbytery. Envelopes available from the back of the church. The lilies will be used to decorate the Sanctuary during Easter and a Mass will be offered for their names during Eastertide on Friday 26th April at 12 noon.

St George's Primary School. Thank you to the children from St George's School who are Caritas Ambassadors and came to speak about their role and ask parishioners to donate chocolates in their Easter Appeal 'Hands On, Hand Out' at the 12 noon Mass last Sunday. Thank you to those who brought in chocolates. If you would like to donate, they would welcome any of the following: Easter eggs, chocolate, biscuits, crisps, £5 voucher for Greggs, Starbucks, Costa Coffee, Cafe Nero, Pret a Manger. Donations will be collected on Monday 25th March.

Easter Offerings. The small envelopes marked 'Easter Offerings' will be used by the diocese to provide support for all clergy in the diocese. If you wish to make a personal offering to the priests of this parish please use the envelope marked 'Your Easter Gift to the Clergy' available in the church porch.

The Newsletter will not be published on Sunday 7th April. Next week's edition will have information for two weeks. All contributions need to reach us by 12 noon on Wednesday 27th March for inclusion in next week's edition. Our first newsletter in Eastertide will be on Sunday 14th April 2024.

Adoration on the First Friday of the month

- 5th April, 6pm-7pm at OLSG. Adoration, during which confessions will be heard, and conclude with Benediction. This will be followed with the Stations of the Cross. All welcome to come and spend time with the Lord during Lent. The church will remain open until 7.30pm.

Lay Fraternity of St Charles De Foucauld.

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 2nd April in the Bishop Challoner Room, 10.15 am -11.45 am. You are welcome to join us at our friendly meeting when we shall share aspects of our spiritual journey towards Easter.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony - Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25th May, 2:30pm.

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary and would like to attend, please contact the parish secretary: enfield@rcdow.org.uk or 020 8363 256 with the following details: husband & wife's names, wedding date, postal address & email (or tel. no. if no email) by 28th March.

-FINANCE-

Giving by Standing Order. Would you consider donating your offering by Standing Order? If so, the payment details are: **HSBC Bank Plc**, Sort Code: **40-05-20**, a/c no: **21309110** a/c name: **WRCDD Enfield**; your surname as reference. Please email us to let us know: enfieldgac@rcdow.org.uk

To Donate to the Parish or to Gift Aid your Donation please visit our Diocesan website: <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/enfield/donate/>

Contactless Giving Device in the Church Porch of OLSG.

Available for parishioners who would like to donate to the parish in a swift and simple way.

**CAR PARKING AT OLSG —**

Please will those parking in order to visit the church and the presbytery remember to enter their registration numbers Monday to Saturday.

Please ONLY park in the marked bays.

Double parking and parking on the kerb is NOT permitted at any time.