

# Holy Week

\* at Holy Family

## Maundy Thursday

7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

## Good Friday

### 3.00pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

- solemn reading of the Passion
- veneration of the cross & holy communion

## Holy Saturday

1pm: "Swieconka" – Polish Blessing of the Baskets. All are welcome



## Easter Sunday

11.00am Mass of Resurrection

\* at St. Anthony's



## Good Friday

11.00am: Stations of the Cross

### 3.00pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion

- solemn reading of the Passion
- veneration of the cross & holy communion

## Holy Saturday

### 8.00pm: The Easter Vigil

- lighting the paschal candle
- proclamation of the Exultet
- baptismal liturgy

## Easter Sunday

9.30am Mass of Resurrection

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Sunday Mass: 11.00 am.

Weekday Mass: Thur: 9.15am. (Other weekdays: 9.15am at St. Anthony's)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: on request

Holy Family Primary school: 727471 Covenant Books: 735993



## *Betwixt and Between*

During Holy Week, the liturgy invites us to surrender to the mystery of the cross 'which teaches us that the price we pay for holding together the contradictions within ourselves, others and the world is always some form of crucifixion.' [1] We begin Palm Sunday by joining the jubilant crowds as they welcome Jesus as their Messiah with joyful cries of 'Hosanna'. In contrast, in the same liturgical ceremony, we are reminded that the way of the palms will lead to the way of the passion. The liturgy of Holy Thursday and Good Friday leave us in no doubt that 'Love is His meaning'[2] When we kneel at the foot of the cross 'Jesus teaches us how to stand against hate without becoming hate, how to oppose evil without becoming evil.' [1] And Holy Saturday? In the days when Midnight Mass was celebrated at midnight, there was no liturgical ceremony on Holy Saturday. However, this is the day when our experience of the cross is 'holding the tension between one space and another. This is called liminal space. (The Latin root *limen* literally means threshold.) It is in these transitional moments of our lives that authentic transformation can happen.' [1] 'Holy Saturday is the ultimate liminal space'. [3] 'What are we to do at such a threshold moment? The ancient Celtic tradition provides a simple response: in moments of transition, we are simply to be. We are to pause and acknowledge that a transition is taking place.' [4] 'In liminal space we sometimes need to not-do and not-perform according to our usual successful patterns.' [1] 'A threshold is the moment of liminal space between that which once was and what is to come. When we cling tightly to our past experiences, we fail to recognise what is. Once we have outgrown our version of reality, we see a world that is vastly bigger than we imagined. Nostalgia can be a gift when we cultivate gratitude for the path we have walked. However, memories can deceive us if we believe that revisiting what once nourished us will sustain us moving forward.' [4] 'Liminal space is a place in between what we were and what we are becoming. It is like a chrysalis for humans.' [5] 'How does one become a butterfly? You must want to fly so much that you are willing to give up being a caterpillar.' [6]

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# DIARY AND MASS INTENTIONS

## for the week beginning Saturday 27th March 2021

Sat 6.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	For our parish	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H.Family</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Clare Wilson Martin Banks Private Intention	<i>Palm Sunday</i>
Mon 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Martin Gallagher	
Tue 1.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Funeral Mass: Joseph Madden	
Wed 9.15am	<i>St. Ant</i>	Kevin Murphy	
Thur 7.30am	<i>H.Family</i>	Evelyne Bamber	
Fri 11.00am 3.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>both</i>		<i>Stations of the Cross. In church</i> <i>Celebration of the Lord's Passion</i>
Sat 8.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i>	Gerard Knight	
Sun 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm	<i>St. Ant</i> <i>H.Family</i> <i>St. Ant</i>	Mollie Walmsley Private Intention For our parish	<i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>

<sup>k</sup> **Masses received this week:** Marie & Tom Hooper, Mary Lawler, Gerard Knight.

**Last Weekend:** Attendance 43. Offertory £285.00. Thank you for your generosity.

### BIDDING PRAYERS

We pray for the Church; that we may learn the true meaning of being the Body of Christ, and that, as we stand at the foot of the cross, may we also learn what it means to love with perseverance and devotion even in the most punishing and challenging times.

We pray for the leaders of the world, that they be inspired to promote the common good, justice, peace, love and unity in the world.

As signs emerge that the coronavirus pandemic is being brought under control, we pray that all of us will respond to the lifting of lockdowns and other restrictions with prudence and restraint and that people will conduct their lives with awareness and consideration of the needs and difficulties of those around them, especially the most vulnerable.

We ask Our Lord to bring healing to Harold Slack, Bill O'Shaughnessy, Malaya, Ray Mannion, Bill York, Vera, Lawrence Dunnagan, Trevor Hughes, Claire, Joyce Hilton;

**those who have died recently:** Joan Bleakley, Patricia Heys, Margaret Rawcliffe, Joseph Madden, Elizabeth Mary Murphy, Brucis Grace;

**and those whose anniversaries occur around this time:** Cornelius Crimmings, Ken Welsby, Elizabeth Collier, Arthur Bielby, Paul Ashton, Vivien Garner, Agnes Crozier, Phyllis Bons, Norah Prince, Alex Hunter, Bertha (Vicky) Bamber, Ella O'Neill, Josephine Johnson, George Hayes, Richard Holden, James Parker, Robert Howarth,.

### Stations of the Cross.

We are not able to have the Stations in church but some members of St. Anthony's parish will present them on Zoom every Friday. 'Doors open' at 5.45. Session starts 6.00pm prompt. Meeting ID: 860 7625 5774 Passcode: 068559

### Food Bank

For Easter our Food Bank need pasta, pasta sauce, tinned fruit, tomatoes, tuna, milk, cream, eggs. Ideally these are needed by the 2nd week in March. Thank you.

### Holy Week & Easter

We have now received guidance from the Bishop's Conference regarding the celebration of Holy Week and Easter. We are planning the same Services at the same time and in the same places as in previous years. i.e. Maundy Thursday at 7pm at Holy Family; Good Friday 3pm in both churches. Easter Vigil at 8.00pm at St. Anthony's. However there are some restrictions.

On Palm Sunday there will be no procession. Palms will be blessed during Mass, but only given out as you leave church after Mass.

On Maundy Thursday the Washing of Feet will be omitted and only the priest goes to the altar of repose at the end of Mass. There will then be a very short period of prayer for all, but no extended 'Watching' after Mass for private prayer.

On Good Friday 3.00pm – we can't have individual veneration of the Cross – but all can genuflect together in our seats after the third and final 'unveiling'.

At the Easter Vigil we can't have the fire or procession: the paschal candle will be lit at the start of the vigil. The font will be blessed and there will be the Renewal of Baptismal Promises, but no sprinkling of the people.

### Livestreaming Mass

As well as normal Mass in church we are now able to livestream the 9.30am Mass from St. Anthony's church. Go to the St. Anthony of Padua YouTube page for the link.

### First Holy Communions

We're looking at using Zoom or Microsoft Teams to set up preparation for the sacraments of reconciliation and first holy communion. Its not ideal and no preparation can ever be as good as being at Mass each week, gathering with the parish community around the altar of the Lord. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Confirmations may also have to be delayed until next year.

### Virtual pilgrimage to Jerusalem.

Thank you from Fr John and Metanoia Project for your generosity in supporting their virtual pilgrimage to Jerusalem. The team have now completed the 3,266 mile to Jerusalem since the beginning of Lent, and raised over £5,000 to support Metanoia Project's work in Preston. Our parishioners contributed just over £500. Take a look at <http://metanoiaproject.co.uk/> to find out how the money is spent.

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