



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2098 **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD** 2ND APRIL 2023

Readings : Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm 21 Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel Matthew 26:14-27.66

Reflection for Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord ...

It is a moving experience each year on Palm Sunday as we go up the mountain with Jesus, towards the Temple, accompanying him on his ascent. But what are we really doing when we join this procession as part of the throng which went up with Jesus to Jerusalem and hailed him as King of Israel? Does it have anything to do with the reality of our life and our world? To answer this, we must first be clear about what Jesus himself wished to do and actually did. He was journeying towards the Temple in the Holy City, towards that place which for Israel ensured in a particular way God's closeness to his people. The ultimate goal of his pilgrimage was the heights of God himself; to those heights he wanted to lift every human being. Our procession today is meant, then, to be an image of something deeper, to reflect the fact that, together with Jesus, we are setting out on pilgrimage along the high road that leads to the living God.

Pope Benedict XVI



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 2ND APRIL 2023

Saturday 5pm Conway Brewster (a) & Special Intention
Sunday 8.15am Derek Barratt (a), Barry & Bernadette Rugean (a) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Seamus Fitzpatrick (a) & People of the Parish 6pm Michael & Winifred Conboy (live-streamed)

Monday 6pm Sue Nolan

Tuesday 9.30am Francesco Urso Russo (a) & John McConnell (a)

Wednesday 9.30am Ints of Gleetar Kott

The Easter Triduum

Maundy Thursday— Mass of the Last Supper & Watching

7pm Mick Russell

Good Friday—Liturgy of the Cross—Day of Abstinence & Fasting

3pm Solemn Liturgy

7pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday—Easter Vigil

9.30am Office of Readings & Morning Prayer

8 pm Michael & Winifred Conboy & Frances Quigley

EASTER SUNDAY—THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD 9TH APRIL 2023

Sunday 8.15am Ints of Carolyn Green (b'day) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Mary Hallahan & Robert Stack (a)

6pm Ints of Reji (b'day) & People of the Parish (live-streamed)

Parish Rosary after Mass on Tuesdays
10am followed by
Flame of Love of the Immaculate Heart
of Mary Prayer Meeting

CONFESSIONS
After the 3pm Liturgy of the Cross
Please note there will be no confessions
on Holy Saturday

PLEASE NOTE : Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is now the Live Streamed Mass

Link : www.eventcast.uk/live (Please note : type the link into the browser on your computer, do not use a search engine)

For the Dead ...

Please pray for **EILEEN MUNDY** Reception into church 5pm Monday 10th April, Funeral Mass 10.30am Tuesday 11th April,

THOMAS STRONG Funeral Service 11am Thursday 13th April at the Abbey Chapel, **LES CROW** Funeral Service 12.30pm Tuesday 2nd May at the Abbey Chapel. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For the Sick ...

Please pray for **FR TONY, MICHAEL ROHAN, BRIAN DIXON, KEN MCARDLE, CAROLINE & BOB HOLLAND, FRANCIS KEANEY, GAIL KAVANAGH, CHRISTINE MURRAY, JULIA HOPKINS, EDDIE & GERALDINE MCGROARTY, MARGARET GERAGHTY, PAULINE CLARKE, ALICE CAIRNS, JOSIE MANDER, CARINA CHALK, ANNIE COX, JOHN HEATLEY, BRIDIE MCCONNELL, TRACEY HAWTHORN, DEACON DES CHILTON, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MCRANDAL, MARY MCGORMAN, JACKIE POOLY, ELIZABETH PEART, JEAN PAUL SAMMUT, MICK O'CONNOR, FIONA EVANS, LEONARD ROSE, MICK & ANNIE CLEARY**

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week in loving memory of **JAN & CHRIS SREBNIAK**

Next week in loving memory of **THOMAS & BRIDIE MEAGHER**

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week in loving memory of **STAN & STASIA DURAJ**

Next week in loving memory of **MICK, SARAH & DEC'D DURKAN FAMILY**

HOLY WEEK & EASTER COLLECTIONS

MAUNDY THURSDAY : FOR THE PARISH

GOOD FRIDAY : HOLY PLACES

HOLY SATURDAY & EASTER SUNDAY

(TRADITIONAL OFFERING TO THE CLERGY)

Altar Servers Practices for Holy Week

Maundy Thursday 6.30pm

Good Friday 2.30pm

Easter Vigil 7.30pm

Washing of Feet on Maundy Thursday

We need 12 male volunteers to have their feet washed—if you are willing to do this, please contact the parish office or one of the clergy.

Thankyou

Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Jane Craig & Mrs Linda Gordon email:safeguarding@lmc.org

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.
Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us

Pope's Prayer Intention for April : For a culture of peace and non-violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

Right to Life Prayer for this week

As we recall the welcome of the Lord into Jerusalem and then His Passion and Death, let us pray for that spirit of welcome, allowing us to see the Lord in people who are homeless, those who are disabled, immigrants and the unborn. Lord hear us.

Together we can change the World

Christian Climate Action. Choose your future by taking part in a gathering in London, transport available from Worcester.

Friday 21 April gathering at St John's Church, Waterloo at 11am for worship at noon led by Christian Aid, Tearfund, CAFOD Green Christian and others, followed by a walk of pilgrimage to the protest site outside Parliament.

Saturday 22 April gathering outside Parliament at 11am for worship at 12 noon focused on racial and climate justice. Catholic Mass at 3pm

Sunday 23 April Gathering outside Parliament at 11am for worship at 12 noon. Led by young people whose future is in the balance.

Monday 24 April Gathering outside Parliament at 11am for worship at 12 noon led by Christian Climate Action.

More details on website : christianclimateaction.org/the-big-one

Archdiocese of Birmingham Pilgrimage to Walsingham Saturday 13 May 2023

Mass of the Immaculate Heart of Mary—Principal Celebrant Bishop David Evans

1.30pm Mass in the Chapel of Reconciliation followed by procession to the Priory Grounds for prayer at the site of the Holy House.

For further information please contact the pilgrim organiser Fr Philip Griffin on 01384 395308 or email olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk

St Peter's Bromsgrove are organising a coach to go on the diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham—the second most important pre-reformation shrine in England on Saturday 13 May. The cost is £25 per person leaving Bromsgrove at approximately 7am. There will be Mass, prayers and also time to visit the shrine shop and café. It's been a few years since parishioners travelled to the Shrine so this is a wonderful opportunity for us all. If you are interested, please contact John Smart on jsmart.sptr@gmail.com or 07875 507 104 before **Tuesday 11 April**.

Redditch Carmelite Spirituality Group Meeting 15th April

A rare and golden opportunity to see the Sacred icon of **OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL**, and be guided in prayer by the Iconographer Rosie Bradshaw, followed by an opportunity to share any thoughts and inspirations, plus time for Q&A. The meeting will begin with refreshments at 11am and the prayer will begin around 11.30am. Each attendee will receive an A5 print of the Icon, and will be invited to sign the witness book. You are also most welcome to join the Lay Carmelites for a shared lunch. (Please bring a little something for the shared table). There is no charge but donations will be accepted. For further information please contact Susan Porter by email on ingeva@btinternet.com

Annual Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage

An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 29 April at 12 noon, celebrated by Bishop Stephen Wright, followed by light refreshments. Please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass to confirm your attendance.

**Good Friday
Walk of Witness
10am start
Redditch Baptist
Church,
Easemore Rd**

**CORONATION CELEBRATION
12 NOON SUNDAY 7 MAY
IN PRESBYTERY GARDEN & PARISH HALL**
Raffle tickets available soon
1st prize £100 2nd Prize £50 plus other prizes

**Fund Raising Meeting
7pm Thursday 13 April
in the Parish Hall**

**Communion Dress, Veil, Gloves
Age 7/8 £15—Parish Office**

**Donations for the Raffle
Prizes would be gratefully
received. 1st Prize £100
2nd Prize £50 + spirits,
wine, biscuits, chocolates
Thankyou**

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND
NO COUNTERS REQUIRED NEXT WEEKEND
TRADITIONAL OFFERINGS TO THE CLERGY

READERS FOR THE EASTER TRIDUUM

If you available to read on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday or Easter Vigil please contact Carol in the parish office.
Thank you

**CLEANING MOUNT CARMEL
CHURCH READY FOR EASTER**
Volunteers required this
Wednesday from 11am

**Please put mobile phones on
Silent when at Mass thankyou**



**Feast of the
Divine Mercy
3pm Sunday
16 April**
*An hour of
Prayer, readings,
Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament
Concluding with
Benediction*

VACANCIES at Mount Carmel School. **Required ASAP**
Office Administrator Part time 10hrs per week Permanent Mon-Fri 1.15pm-3.25pm—closing date Wed 19 April at 3pm, Interview date Tuesday 25 April 2023
Required ASAP
Lunchtime Supervisor term time only 12.10pm-1.15pm Mon-Fri Closing date Friday 28 April 3pm For both posts visit www.magnificat.org.uk/vacancies for application forms, all to be completed and returned to Mrs R Kennedy at olmc-office@olmc.magnificat.org.uk

