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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD - 10TH APRIL 2022

(Psalter Week 2)

Communion Antiphon: ***Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.***

Everyone is encouraged to **CONTINUE WEARING FACE MASKS**. Sanitisers will continue to be made available.

If you would like to book a Mass Intention, please contact Jeanette in the parish office. Alternatively please use the Mass Intention Envelopes available at the back of the church and put it through the office letter box with your contact number.

The recommended Stipend by the Archdiocese for a Mass Intention is £10.

The Sacrament of Penance is available on Saturday mornings from 11am until the final confession and by prior arrangement.

This Sunday we enter into Holy Week with Palm Sunday. This Sunday's Mass commences with the Gospel of the triumphal entrance of our Lord in to Jerusalem to the adulation of the people and continues with the solemn Passion of our Lord as he faced his trial and death on the cross. These two Gospels appear to be in tension with each other however they recall the life, death and anticipate the resurrection of our Lord for our salvation.

As we prepare for the great Easter event I pray we will find time during this Holy Week to pray and contemplate our salvation in preparation to worthily celebrate Easter this year with peace and joy.

Fr. Paul.

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES

The Collection on Easter Sunday is for your Parish Priest. Please use the envelopes for Easter Offerings available at the back of the Church or use the Easter Offering option on the contactless payment terminals. Thank you for your generosity.

GOOD FRIDAY

A day of fasting and abstinence. The Good Friday collection is for the Holy Places for their upkeep and to help maintain Christian schooling in the area.

MRS. ANN CONE

Ann Cone returned to Ireland on a permanent basis on Friday following a diagnosis of a terminal illness. She asked the parish to keep her in prayer.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNING - UKRAINE FUNDRAISER - 20TH APRIL 10AM

The Wednesday coffee group are holding a fundraising appeal on Wednesday 20th April from 10am in the Church Hall. Teas/coffees, home baked cakes and biscuits will be on sale. All proceeds will go towards the Ukraine appeal. Everyone is welcome.

BEXLEY MUSIC CONCERT - IN AID OF THE CRISIS IN UKRAINE

A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY: On Saturday 30th April at 2.30pm St. Lawrence's will be hosting a charity concert given by Bexley Music (Bexley Youth Orchestra, Little Big Band and Bexley Youth Band) in aid of the crisis in Ukraine. Organised by Sidcup Rotary Club and Inner Wheel, proceeds will be channelled through the 52 Rotary Clubs in Ukrainian cities and also used to support Ukrainian refugees. Tickets cost £10 for adults, £5 for children and concessions. Refreshments will be provided in the Community Centre. There will be a raffle and an opportunity to make donations. Tickets will be on sale after Masses.

The 9:30am Mass on Monday 25th April, Thursday 5th May and Thursday 12th May are replaced by the Funeral Masses. The 9:30am Mass on Wednesday 13th April has been cancelled due to the Archdiocesan Chrism Mass at St. George's Cathedral.

DEATH NOTICES

1. Funeral Mass for TL George Thomas Henley will take place on Monday 25th April at 10:00am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 11:30am.
2. Funeral Service for TL Kathleen Mary Hooker will take place at Eltham Crematorium North Chapel on Monday 25th April 2022 at 4:15pm.
3. Funeral Mass for TL Kathleen Delores Metcalf will take place on Thursday 5th May at 10:00am followed by burial at Sidcup Cemetery at 11:30am.
4. Funeral Mass for TL Margaret Padmore will take place on Thursday 12th May at 10:00am followed by burial at 12noon at St. Werburgh Church Cemetery, Church Street, Hoo Rochester Kent ME3 9AL.
5. With sadness we announce that Margaret Rawlings passed away on Wednesday 30th March. Her funeral will take place on Friday 13th May at 9.00 a.m. at Christchurch Eltham, 229 Eltham High Street, London SE9 1TX.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

SUPPORT YOUR PARISH BY STANDING ORDER

It is of great benefit to the parish if its members are able to sign up to a regular monthly standing order. If you are able to do so please complete a form that is available at the back of the Church. If you are a tax payer, please gift aid your donation. Thank you.

REPOSITORY

The Repository in the Church Hall will be open on Wednesdays during the coffee morning, on Saturdays after the 6:30pm Mass and on Sundays after the 8:30am Mass until 12:00noon. Easter Cards, First Holy Communion Cards, Confirmation Cards and Gifts are on sale. Please note that the repository is unable to accept card payments.

PARISH COFFEE MORNINGS

After the 8:30am and 10:00am Mass on Sundays and on Wednesdays from 10am to 11:30am. Please note that there is no coffee morning on Wednesday 13th April.

FOOD BANK

We have re-commenced collecting food items in the bins at the back of the Church for the food bank run by our local churches. A list of the items needed is on display.

A DAY WITH MARY

Saturday 30th April - 9:30am to 5:30pm at Westminster Cathedral, 42 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QW. See the notice board for details or visit www adaywithmary.org.

QUIZ NIGHT

Inner Wheel of Sidcup are having a Quiz Night in aid of SLCF on Friday 6th May at 7.30pm at Sidcup Sports Club in Sydney Road. For tickets please contact Chris Head-Rapson on 07789 343632 or Helen Bacon on 07960 243947. Tickets are £7 each. There is a cheap cash bar at the club. Please bring your own nibbles.

NSPCC FUNDRAISER APPEAL

One of our parishioner, Catherine Culbert will cycling 300Kms during the month of April to raise funds for NSPCC. You can donate to her JustGiving page by visiting the link: https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/catherine-culbert?utm_source=Sharethis&utm_medium=fundraising&utm_content=catherine-culbert&utm_campaign=pfp-email&utm_term=0bac770efb364a3b9703efe3bf74cc88.

WINTERSHALL PASSION PLAY

After a break of two years, Wintershall will once again be performing Passion of Jesus Christ in Trafalgar Square on Good Friday 15th of April 2022 at 12 noon and 3:15pm. The play takes place in the open air. Tickets are not required.

ALTAR SERVERS RALLY AYLESFORD PRIORY - 2ND MAY 2022

The 44th Annual Altar Servers Rally will take place on Monday 2nd May 2022 at 10:00am at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Aylesford, Kent, ME20 7BX. Archbishop John Wilson will be the Principal Celebrant of the Mass at 11:30am. There will be a football match at 13:45pm. See notice board for details. Altar servers & families are welcome.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR HOLY WEEK

Saturday 9th April (Vigil Mass)	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
6.30pm	Intentions of Roberto and Esperanca
Sunday 10th April	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord
8.30am	John & Colin O'Regan RIP
10.00am	Wellbeing of Olive and Roy Howard
11.30am	People of the Parish
Monday 11th April	Monday of Holy Week
9.30am	Gwen Lane RIP
Tuesday 12th April	Tuesday of Holy Week
9.45am	John Michael Kelly RIP
Wednesday 13th April	Wednesday of Holy Week - No Mass
Maundy Thursday 14th April	Mass of the Lord's Supper
7.30pm	People of the Parish
followed by	Silent Adoration until 11.00pm
Good Friday 15th April	Friday of the Passion of the Lord
3.00pm	The Passion of the Lord
Saturday 16th April	Holy Saturday
8.30pm (Easter Vigil Mass)	Adrian Charles Healy RIP
Sunday 17th April	Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord
8.30am	Freddie & Millie Baldwin RIP
10.00am	People of the Parish
11.30am	Intention of Thushi and In Thanksgiving

Collection	3rd April 2022
Cash	£212.95
Gift Aid	£314.00
Total	£526.95
Monthly Standing Order	£4449

But God proves his love for us in that while we still were sinners Christ died for us. Romans 5:8