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Sunday 5th April - Holy week 2020

This year, unlike any years that I have known in my life, Holy Week is going to seem very different, but that does not mean that we can't enter it. In fact this is a real blessing as we bring Christ into our homes. As we experience this great week with our loved ones, our children and even if we live on our own, we can do some things to enter this beautiful time. Where we experience His love which saves and gives us life.

Here are a variety of ideas for all. Please share your photos/activities of Holy Week on the Parish Facebook Page. Make a prayer focus in a prominent part of your home so you can build upon it throughout the week. If you have a coloured cloth of purple, red, white or gold that would be great. If not a nice cloth. Use candles (makes sure they are safe for children). Put a Bible on the table. Put a crucifix on it, try and veil it. Read the readings or go through the Passion of the Lord from one of the Gospels . This app will help [universalis.com](https://www.universalis.com) https.

During the Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of the Holy Week, make a set of Stations of the Cross for the house. www.thecatholickid.com. Pray them. Watch all the live streamed Masses and devotions when you can.

Palm Sunday -The colour of the day is Red. (The Missionaries of the Holy Spirit posted this idea on their Facebook page) For Palm Sunday put a few branches on the door of the house or on the window, to celebrate. It could be any green branch you can get. This would help, we may be physically isolated, but not separated. We are united as the Body of Christ. Watch the Mass together. Maybe have a Palm Procession about your home and garden if the weather is good. Decorate the table with greenery and maybe, you might find a donkey?

Maundy Thursday -The colour of the day is White. Pray for the Priests. Add to the prayer focus a jug, bowl and a towel. During the day let the head of the household wash the feet of the members of the house. Have a special evening meal together on Maundy Thursday in honour of the first Mass. Challenge to serve a member of the family or community member if you can on this day. Do some Watching as you contemplate Jesus's agony in the garden.

Good Friday - Strip the table and keep it bare, apart from the Crucifix covered with a veil and some candles. On the morning of Good Friday find items around the home and garden to represent each station, e.g. nails, cloth, wood etc. Bring them to the prayer table. Make the Stations of the Cross on live stream. Read the Passion according to St John. Listen to the St John Passion by Johann Sebastian Bach. Use YouTube or Alexa to play your favourite Passiontide hymn. Watch the 3.00pm Solemn Liturgy. Give up watching normal television, just for the day. Remember it's a day of fasting and abstinence. Don't forget to eat a hot cross-bun. Watch the Passion of Christ film. Meet as a family together (or FaceTime) and tell each other what you are most grateful for as Jesus died to free us from sin and give us life. Make an Easter Garden in your garden or in your home. Start the novena to the Divine Mercy.

Holy Saturday - Spend a bit of the morning, quietly thinking of how Jesus's Mother and His Disciples felt at the death of Jesus. Decorate your home in a special way for Easter. Later in the day add white or gold to the prayer table and gather together all the candles from your house and place them on the table in a safe manner, for the Easter Vigil. Add flowers and greenery if you can. Draw an image of the Risen Jesus ready for tonight as we begin to celebrate His Resurrection. Watch the Easter Vigil. We will try to have a Zoom Virtual Parish Party after the Vigil at about 9.30pm.

Easter Sunday - Easter Day is going to be very different. We can't see our family and friends, but we still have to do our best to make it a joy filled and Holy Day. Open the tomb of your Easter Garden. Watch the Morning Easter Sunday Mass. Have an Easter Egg Hunt. Sing lots of Alleluias.

For the sake of His sorrowful passion have mercy on us and the whole world. Fr Gerard.

In Memoriam

Of your Charity please pray for the repose of souls of Fr Bryan Jones of the Guardian Angels Church and Sr Sienna MC, who both died from the Coronavirus. (Sr Sienna is a Missionary of Charity in Swansea, her fellow sisters are now in quarantine and are thus unable to serve the poorest of the poor, who depend on them so much!)

Please also pray for John Stevens and Bridey Stopford, our own parishioners during this time and pray for their families.

Sunday 5th April - Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - Readings

1st Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm: 21

Psalm Response: **My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

2nd Reading: Philippians 2:6-11 Gospel: Matthew 26:14- 27:66

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Father will be saying all the Masses with their Intentions on Sundays and weekdays.

Parishioners will be able to watch on the live stream through Facebook.

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - 5th April 2020 - Cycle A

Sat 04	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Jim Moore RIP
Sun 05	8.00am	Palm Sunday - Low Mass	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Palm Sunday - Sung Mass	Madeleine Furnell RIP
Mon 06	11.00am	Holy Week	Mary Docherty RIP
Tue 07	11.00am	Holy Week	Christine Wye RIP
Wed 08	11.00am	Holy Week	John Stevens RIP
Thu 09	8.10pm	Maundy Thursday	Fr Bryan Jones RIP

Easter Sunday - 12th April 2020 - Cycle A

Sat 11	8.30pm	Easter Vigil - Low Mass	People of the Parish
Sun 12	8.00am	Easter Day - Low Mass	Peter Clark RIP
	10.00am	Easter Day - Sung Mass	John Joe Collins

Mass Intentions available for the months of April and May. This can be done via email to knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk or leave a message on the Office phone 01483 472404 and we can call you back, if required. Stipends/Donations for Father can be forwarded at later date. Thank you

Offertory Collection for last week: Standing Orders £588.33 which was Gift Aided. Many Thanks.



Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.