

St Joseph's, Bedford & Our Lady's, Kempston

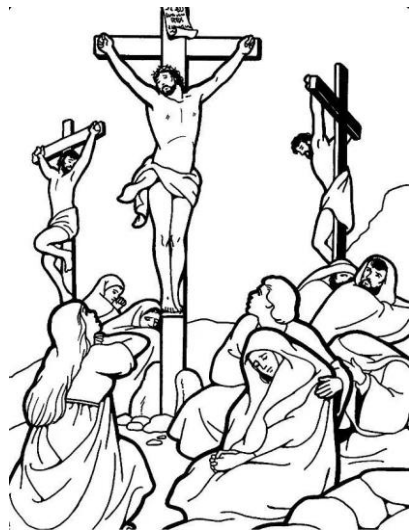
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PALM SUNDAY

14th April 2019



HOLY WEEK

Today begins the most solemn week in the Church's liturgical year. The great events of Our Lord's redemptive work are recalled and celebrated in the liturgies of Holy Week. Please make a special effort to attend all the liturgies of the Sacred Triduum beginning on Maundy Thursday evening and in particular the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday at 8.30pm. Please take a separate sheet from the back of the church listing the Holy Week services.

PENITENTIAL SERVICE

There will be a Penitential Service with individual Confessions this Tuesday 7.00pm in St Joseph's church.

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no 10.45am Mass this Thursday, Friday and Saturday and no Eucharistic Adoration this Thursday.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions at usual times in St Joseph's this Saturday and from 5.00pm to 5.30pm in Our Lady's this Saturday.

Mass Times – St Joseph's, Bedford

Sunday	8.15am	People of the Parish
	9.30am	Special Intention (King)
	11.00am	Gerard Smith, RIP
	6.30pm	Mary Casey & Family
Monday	Holy Week	
	10.45am	In Thanksgiving (Mngola)
Tuesday	Holy Week	
	7.30am	Ester Cooney
	10.45am	Laura Barlow
Wednesday	Holy Week	
	7.30am	Eric Norton, RIP
	10.45am	In Thanksgiving: Thomas & Sara
Thursday	Maundy Thursday	
	8.00pm	Linda Richardson, RIP
Friday	Good Friday	
	3.00pm	Solemn Liturgy
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday	Holy Saturday-Easter Vigil Mass	
	8.30pm	Franciska Rozman, RIP

Mass Times – Our Lady's, Kempston

Sunday	9.30am	Suzanne & Patrick Prior
Thursday	8.00pm	Helen Halpin
Good Friday	3.00pm	Solemn Liturgy
	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross

Confessions: Saturday 11.30am – 12.30pm (Exposition)
St Joseph's: 5.00pm – 5.30pm

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

ROSARY: Daily, 20 minutes before the 10.45am Mass

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: None this Thursday

ROSARY HOUR: None this Friday

CLEANING: Allen, Wakaba, Odell, Wa-Kimai

FLOWERS: All flower arrangers

NEXT SUNDAY: Easter Sunday

Readers & Ministers: Rota Week 3

Children's Liturgy: None until 28th April

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Stations of the Cross today at 4.00pm and on Good Friday at 7.30pm in St Joseph's and Our Lady's.

PARISH QUARTERLY BULLETIN

Available now at the back of the church. Please take a copy.

CHRISM MASS

We are invited to the Chrism Mass this Thursday in Northampton Cathedral, Kingsthorpe Road, NN2 6AG at 11.00am followed by refreshments in the Barretts Club. At the Mass the priests will renew their priestly promises and the Bishop will bless the sacred oils that will be used in the celebration of the sacraments throughout the year.

MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

All parish Ministers of Holy Communion are requested to renew their commitment at the Maundy Thursday Mass at 8.00pm.

GOOD FRIDAY WITNESS

An ecumenical service of Christian Witness will be held on Good Friday at 12 noon in Harpur Square. All are invited to take part as an act of witness and prayer with our fellow Christians.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

The collection on Good Friday at the Solemn Liturgy is for the upkeep of the Holy Land Shrines. The collection on Easter Sunday is for the upkeep of your parish clergy!

FATIMA PILGRIMAGE

Parish pilgrimage to Fatima from 11th to 15th September 2019 costing £580 sharing, flying from Heathrow. Single room supplement £90 per person. Booking forms from the presbytery.

MUSICAL CONCERT

A sum of £510 was raised from the Musical Concert last Saturday for our parish project. Most of this money, however, was from the choir members themselves, as there were few in attendance at the concert from the parish.

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

This year's Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will be on Saturday 8th June with a coach leaving from Bedford. If interested, please contact Mary Frost on 304014 or 07708 264054.

INDIAN MEAL EVENING

Another Indian meal evening will be held at Indiya Restaurant, Broadway, Bedford on Thursday 9th May at 7.00pm in aid of our parish project. The cost will be £15 per person of which the restaurant will give £2 for every diner attending. The menu will be principally Indian but for non-curry eaters there will be available a main course dish of fried chicken with chips, peas and tomatoes. A list is available at the back of the church on which to write your name, number of persons attending and your phone number.

CHARITY GOLF DAY

The 29th SS Philip & James Golf Society Charity Golf Day takes place on Friday 31st May at Pavenham Park Golf Club just outside Bedford. This year our selected charities are Carers in Bedfordshire and FACES. As usual we are looking for sponsorship, so if you can help, please contact us. Entry forms for playing golf and/or attending the dinner are now available from Mike Chappell at mikechappell43@btinternet.com or 07973 703340. Please see noticeboard for full details.

ENGLISH LANGUAGE LESSONS

English for speakers of other languages (ESOL) **free** classes will be starting in the Guild Room at St Joseph's church for six weeks every Saturday from 27th April to 1st June, 4.00pm until 5.30pm. If interested, please contact Bimla on 07792 828090.

POLAND PILGRIMAGE

Holy Cross Parish is running a pilgrimage to Poland from 2nd to 8th September 2019 costing £700 per person sharing or £865 single room. If interested, please contact Deacon Tony Quinlan on 950453.

OLIVEWOOD SALE

Chris Abu-Aita would like to thank all who bought items at the Olivewood Sale last Sunday which realised the sum of £573.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Offertory

St Joseph's £1221.98

Our Lady's £285.91

Thank you.