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Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



The gospel of Mark is concerned to show Jesus as a real, human person. So the story of the Passion begins with the very real fear and horror of Jesus in the garden. Mark represents Jesus as almost beside himself with apprehension at the torture which he knew he would suffer. Again and again he returns to seek companionship from his disciples, to find them callously asleep. The Passion-story ends, too, with a loud cry of agony as Jesus breathes his last.

The core of the Passion-story is the trial scene. Before the high priest Jesus acknowledges that he is the Messiah of Judaism, and the Son of the Blessed One. To these titles he joins 'Son of man'. In the Book of

Daniel the Son of man is a glorious figure who triumphs over persecution to receive from God all power on earth. So now Jesus claims to share God's throne as that Son of man. It is for these divine claims that he is rejected as a blasphemer and handed over to the Romans.

When Jesus cries out on the Cross, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me', he is not in despair, but is beginning Psalm 22. The Psalm begins in persecution, but ends in the triumph of God and the vindication of the sufferer. This gives the meaning of his Passion: by it Jesus brings the triumph of God and his own vindication by God. The Cross is the moment, not of abandonment by God, but of the most complete union of Jesus to the Father. Jesus here establishes the Sovereignty of his Father by his total, loving obedience. This is why the centurion proclaims, 'Truly, the man was Son of God'. It is also significant that here for the first time in the gospel a human being recognises Jesus as Son of God. It is not a Jew but a gentile – the beginning of the spread of the gospel to all nations of the world.

(Henry Wansborough - Universalis commentary)

Easter Offering

As at Christmas and previously, the Easter Day Collection supports parish clergy directly, in grateful thanks for their dedication, service and witness throughout the year.

If you would like to give a gift to support Fr. Jeremy & Fr. James in their mission and ministry this Easter, please visit: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/waterlooville-sacred-heart-of-jesus-and-st-peter-the-apostle-easter-collection-2024>

Lent Lunch

Good Friday (29 March) from 12noon to 1.30pm at All Saints' Church, Denmead. Lent Lunch consists of soup, bread and cheese followed by tea/coffee and a hot cross bun. There is a suggested donation of £5.00 which will go to 'World Vision Middle East Emergency Appeal'. Everyone welcome!

If you can help by making soup or helping on the day with setting up and serving food, please contact All Saints Office 92268757 or parish.admin@allsaintsdenmead.org.uk



Easter Flowers

If you would like to make a donation to help beautify the church for Easter, please use the basket in the narthex. Every little helps. Your continued support is always gratefully appreciated. Thank you.

Easter Eggs on Sale in the Narthex

Available now the ever-popular **Real Easter Egg**. It includes a new 24 page Easter story activity book with a £200 prize competition. It is illustrated by Martina Paluso and contains the story of the first Easter alongside some fun activities. Price £4.50 – same as last year.

Good Friday

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection supports the Christian community in the Middle East. This last year has been particularly challenging for this small community which seeks 'to be the salt, light and leaven of the Gospel' in the region, often living in difficult circumstances.

Here is the link to the Give As You Live page for this Good Friday:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/good-friday-collection-for-christians-in-the-holy-land>.

After the solemn Liturgy @ 3pm, hot cross buns will be handed out, courtesy of the Archbold family.

The Easter Vigil

We are delighted to welcome new members of adults and children to our parish community at the Easter Vigil this year. Please come and meet them all after Mass over a glass of something special (non-alcoholic available) and a piece of homemade cake, thanks to Elizabeth! Children and adults very welcome!

Coming soon! 'Made in Heaven'

Throughout the weeks of Eastertide we will be running a series of articles on the Sacrament of Marriage and its central importance in the life of the Christian community. The articles are written by parishioner David Chiswell who has taught, formed and prepared couples for marriage for many years in his capacity as a leading member of Catholic Marriage Care, and has a wealth of wisdom and insight to offer through these reflections, starting the weekend of 6th-7th April. Not to be missed!

DATE	TIME	LITURGICAL CELEBRATION	VENUE	MASS INTENTION
Saturday 23 March <i>Of the 5th Week of Lent</i>	9.30am 10am 5.30pm 6.15pm	Adoration Mass Confession Mass	St. Edmund St. Edmund Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Charles, Sarah & Sven, Wellbeing
VIGIL PALM SUNDAY				
Sunday 24 March PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION	9.30am 10.30am 11.30am 3pm 4pm 6.30pm	Mass Mass Mass Stations of the Cross Mass Mass	St Edmund Sacred Heart St Patrick Sacred Heart QA Hospital Sacred Heart	James Sharkey, RIP Wendy Field, Intention People of the Parish
Monday 25 March <i>of Holy Week</i>	11.30am 12noon	Adoration Mass	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Maurice & Catherine Cremin, RIP
Tuesday 26 March <i>of Holy Week</i>	10am 11am 6.15-6.45pm 7pm	Stations of the Cross Chrism Mass Confession & Adoration Mass	St Patrick Cathedral St Edmund St Edmund	
Wednesday 27 March <i>of Holy Week</i>	6.15-6.45pm 7pm 7.45pm	Confession & Adoration Mass Tenebrae	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart Sacred Heart	Tony & Adelaide De Battista, RIP
Thursday 28 March MAUNDY THURSDAY	10-11am 11am-12noon 7pm 7.30pm 8pm	Confession Confession Mass of the Lord's Supper Mass of the Lord's Supper <i>(followed by Watching until 10pm)</i> Mass of the Lord's Supper <i>(followed by Watching until midnight)</i>	St Edmund Sacred Heart St Patrick St Edmund Sacred Heart	
Friday 29 March GOOD FRIDAY	10am 3pm 3pm 3pm 7.30pm	Children's Stations of the Cross LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION Prayers around the Cross	Sacred Heart Sacred Heart St Edmund St Patrick Sacred Heart	
Saturday 30 March HOLY SATURDAY	6.30pm 8pm	THE EASTER VIGIL THE EASTER VIGIL	St Patrick Sacred Heart	
Sunday 31 March EASTER SUNDAY	8.30am 9.30am 10.30am 11.30am 4pm -	Mass Mass Mass Mass Mass No evening Mass	Sacred Heart St Edmund Sacred Heart St Patrick QA Hospital Sacred Heart	Sarah Bridget Steer, RIP People of the Parish Laura McNally

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Sacred Heart & St Peter the Apostle



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News from St. Peter's School



Headteacher, Richard Cunningham writes... Once again this year the pupils and families of St Peter's have rallied to donate Easter Eggs to Stella Maris to pass onto international seafarers who will be in Portsmouth and Southampton at Easter. Pictured here behind well over 250 chocolate eggs are Mr Cunningham, Headteacher, Annabelle, Noah and Blossom, and Patrick Binks. Patrick visits ships in Portsmouth through his work for Stella Maris, and will be one of several people who will deliver these seasonal treats along with faith materials to seafarers who themselves are far from home and family this Easter. Thank to everyone who donated Easter Eggs, and who trusted me to keep them all untouched in my office until they were collected!

Alpha

We are pleased to announce that Alpha will be available at St. Edmund's, Horndean, from Thursday 11 April @ 2pm in church. Each afternoon begins with a delicious hot meal and opportunities for developing new friendships. This is followed by an engaging presentation on the Christian faith and the opportunity, in small groups, to share your thoughts and raise questions in a supportive and non-judgemental environment. For more information and to book a place please contact: alpha@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk or call Sue Woodgate on 07881 756602.



Vocations

"Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord." Docility in prayer is essential to vocation discernment. Are you open to a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life? Talk to Fr. Jeremy, Fr. James or contact Canon John Cooke vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318869.

Amare Memoriae

Please pray for the rest and peace of the souls of Ian Purvis & Margaret Greaney, who have died recently. Please remember their family and friends at this difficult time. Ian's Funeral will be on Friday 12 April @ 11.45am. Details of Margaret's funeral will be announced when confirmed.

Church Cleaning

Mondays from 9-11am. Our cleaning team are always on the lookout for new members. Please consider joining our amazing volunteers who make sure the church is clean and tidy for all to enjoy. The team will be meeting on Monday 25 March and Monday 1 April and then weekly as usual.

The Tuesday Club

First and third Tuesdays of each month 2-4pm. If you have never attended before but fancy turning up for a cuppa and a chat, just come along. Any questions – please give Trish a call on 07947 611699.

The Union of Catholic Mothers

Meetings on the first and third Wednesdays of the month @ 1.30pm in the Parish Centre. New ladies very welcome. Next meeting: Wednesday, 20 March.

Justice & Peace

"Blessed are the peacemakers," Pope Francis said as he spoke to a gathering of ambassadors to the Holy See at his annual "State of the World" address on 8th January. The concerns expressed by the Pope could aptly be said to summarise the agenda for every Christian and person of good will. He urged that humankind should work to tackle the root causes of conflict and redirect resources to health care, food security and tackling the climate crisis. We would like to invite as many parishioners as possible in our Pastoral Area to a **meeting at Sacred Heart Church Waterlooville on Thursday 18th April at 7.30pm** to explore the idea of establishing a Havant Pastoral Area Justice and Peace Group. Any queries please contact philiphayllar@hotmail.com

Medjugorje Pilgrimage 2024

Fr. Jeremy will be leading a 7-night pilgrimage to Medjugorje from 26 October to 2 November. Full details, including price, flights, accommodation and itinerary can be found on our webpage: <https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/> Click on 'Parish Pages' under the 'Parish Life' heading and download the newsletter for 1st Week of Lent.

Music for a Spring Evening

In aid of Alzheimer's Society at Waterlooville Baptist Church on Saturday 27 April @ 7pm. Presented by the Band & Choir of the Portsmouth Citadel Salvation Army. Free entry with charity collection.

Please pray for those who need our prayers...

John O'Neill, Maria Carmen Martin, Damien Haughan, Carole Highton, Elizabeth Evelyn, Margaret Bush, Amrutha Anthony, Michael Lowe, Conor Mills, Ian Cuthbert, Theresa Tierney, Bob Jaques, Saneesh James, Mr. James, Tony Tucker, Justin Quinn, Patrick Patten, Barbara Higgins, Derek & Monica Taylor, Christine New, Anna Chin, John De Battista, John Griffiths, Paul Kessell-Holland, Audrey Dymock, Mike Turner, Mavis Bowden, Lucy Hunt, Claire, Kim Smith, Julie Carolan, Andrew Woolhead, Jonathan Swartz, Diana Beston, Rev. Emma, Becky Truscott, Richard Dixon, Margo Parker and Matthias Ng.

For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospital and the Rowans Hospice.

If you ask for someone to be prayed for and their name is placed on the Prayers for the Sick in the newsletter, it is your responsibility to ensure that the presbytery is kept informed about their condition. For the long-term sick, a quarterly update would be appreciated. Thank you.

Admittance to Hospital?

When a Catholic is admitted to hospital, the family should ensure that the Catholic Chaplaincy is contacted so that appropriate support can be given. It is suggested that the patient have a note to give to hospital staff on admission, notifying staff that they are Catholic and would appreciate the Catholic Chaplaincy service. This could be followed up by a telephone call from the family to the ward to ensure the request is actioned. When a person is due to go into hospital, please also let your parish priest know so that he can administer the Sacrament of the Sick where appropriate.

Ukraine

What can we do here in the UK, here in Portsmouth Diocese? Donate money to the DEC appeals to allow the relief agencies including Caritas to continue their work with refugees as they arrive in neighbouring countries. Visit the Caritas website for more information on how you can help: www.caritasportsmouth.org.uk Please donate cash rather than collect and send donations-in-kind: www.dec.org.uk/appeal/ukraine-humanitarian-appeal or www.cafod.org.uk/ukrainecrisis HOMES FOR UKRAINE: Find out more at www.sjog-homesforukraine.uk

Israeli-Palestinian Crisis Appeal

Amid the devastating conflict in Israel and Gaza, families are losing their homes and people are dying. They need urgent, practical help! A gift today will provide essentials like food, water and blankets to those who need it. Scan the QR code or donate online at www.cafod.org.uk



A Prayer for Israel & Palestine

God of mercy and compassion, of grace and reconciliation, pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims and Christians, Palestinians and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all. Amen.

Mass Intentions

You can email Lisa at the presbytery regarding Mass Offerings for Sacred Heart and indeed any questions or queries about booking Masses: intentions@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk Suggested donation £10.00.

Our Newsletter

All news items and forthcoming events to Sue office@waterlooville-catholic.org.uk by 2.30pm on Wednesday for inclusion in the next issue. We reserve the right to edit any articles prior to publication due to space. Articles may not be published immediately and may be held in reserve for future use. If you would like to be added to the distribution list, please email Sue.

Our newsletter can be accessed under 'Parish Pages' of the 'Parish Life' tab on the Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth website or via this link: [Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Peter the Apostle, Waterlooville - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth \(portsmouthdiocese.org.uk\)](http://Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Peter the Apostle, Waterlooville - Catholic Diocese of Portsmouth (portsmouthdiocese.org.uk))

Job Vacancies and Volunteering Opportunities

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF PORTSMOUTH

Please follow the link for current vacancies throughout the Diocese:

<https://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk/about-us/other/jobs>



A reminder that the
clocks spring forward
at 1am on
Sunday 31 March
marking the start of
Summertime!

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**THE HAVANT PASSION
2024**

**HAVANT TOWN CENTRE
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**SATURDAY 30TH MARCH - 11AM: 12.30PM: 2PM
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**Please make sure you read the whole of this newsletter.
Most of the information is applicable for everyone!**

Readings for this Sunday

Processional Gospel Mark 11:1-10

First reading Isaiah 50:4-7

I did not cover my face against insult, I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm Response:

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

Second reading Philippians 2:6-11

He humbled himself; but God raised him high.

Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory! Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal Glory!

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 14:1-15:47

Amare Memoriae

Please pray for the rest and peace of the soul of Peter Hill, who has died recently. Please remember Clare and all their family at this sad time. Details of Peter's funeral will be announced when confirmed.

Getting the Church ready for Easter

Church cleaning on Monday 25 March from 10am – Everyone Welcome!

Good Friday Collection for Christians in the Holy Land

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Easter Offering

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<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/hayling-island-st-patrick-catholic-parish-easter-collection-2024>

The End of A Lenten Journey?

Elaine Meacham writes... It seems a long time since a good number of parishioners, both young and more mature, stepped forward to take a shell, reminding them of their chosen Lenten endeavour.

Bring along your shell, share the highs and lows of your experience with other pilgrims and celebrate with a slice of pilgrim cake (gluten free).

In the hall, after Mass, 7 April, second Sunday of Easter.

Last Sunday's celebration for St. Patrick's Day

Such a fun time was had by all last Sunday as the parish celebrated their feast day with Mass and afterwards in the hall with yummy food and excellent entertainment! It was lovely to have Fr. Jeremy and Fr. James join Fr. Mark and Deacon Nick to celebrate the Mass. Thank you to everyone who helped in anyway to make sure the afternoon was a huge success and thank you to everyone who shopped, ordered, cooked, made decorations, booked the entertainment, donated raffle prizes and to everyone who supported the parish by buying a ticket – your support is everything!

Gerry Holden writes...

Dear Friends, Good Morning.

It is our intention to publish an Easter newsletter to be available electronically and in hard copy on Easter Sunday, to celebrate this great feast in the Christian calendar.

Articles have already been pledged [or received] from Wendy, Geoff, Elaine, Tony and Marijke and others are in the pipeline. All articles, reports of events, and forthcoming notices are also welcome. However, I would particularly like to hear your views on



“What Easter means to me...”

Your submission can take the form of a personal response [you can write anonymously should you wish]; relate an account of a particularly memorable Easter experience you encountered; explain your favourite Easter hymn, reading or prayer; Easter as a child, Easter as an adult!... the possibilities are limitless..

Please send your submission [preferably as a word document] to me: gerryholden1000@gmail.com by 4pm on Palm Sunday, 24th March.

I look forward to hearing from you.

As ever, Gerry.

Prayers for the sick

Wendy Field, Mary Webb, Cathy Kennealy, John Nowaczewski, Jorge Reyes, Abby Morris, Becky, Suzi, David Cooper, Liz Parkinson, Lily Jones, Jill Edmeades, Will, Armin, Sue and Robert Lake, Joan Ramsbottom, Patricia Church, Mick O'Mahoney, Paul Kessell-Holland, Jynx, Gerard and Maureen Cronin, Fr. Mark, Fred Sims, Lizann De Souza, Josie Whitehouse, Pauline Green, Clara Scammell and her family, Josie Whitehouse, Gilly Webster, Greg Osborne, Rita Mead & Bill McGill. For the housebound, lonely, homeless, bereaved, those in nursing homes, hospice and hospital.

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

- The **Catholic Women's League** will be leading the Stations of the Cross on Tuesday morning at 10 am in the Church. This will take the form of 'Mary's Way of the Cross' and we will accompany Our Lady as she follows Her Beloved Son to the Cross. Everyone is welcome, not just for ladies!! It will be followed by coffee/tea and hot cross buns in the Hall.
- **Repository**
There are plenty of cards and small gifts for all occasions available from the Repository at the back of the Church. The Easter cards are beautiful this year. The Easter chicks are proving very popular, some filled with eggs, others with an egg cup and others are empty for you to fill as you please. £2.50 filled, £2 empty. The 'Crosses in Pockets' continue to be popular for putting in with cards to friends and family and much appreciated by the recipients, great value at just £1. All proceeds to CWL charities which comprise children's charities, women's refuge and overseas aid (Cafod, Aid to the Church in Need (ACN) and Reaching the Unreached (RTU)).

Wanted - Rosary Beads

Please donate your spare and unused rosary beads to the Stella Maris charity in Southampton. Your spare beads will be passed on to the many hundreds of seafarers and their families, where there is great demand for them. Please place them in the box provided in church.

