

Parish Newsletter



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MASS TIMES: SUNDAY:

*Vigil, 6.30p.m., 9.00a.m.,
10.30a.m. (Family Mass)
& 12 noon Choir
7.00p.m. Pastoral Area Mass
St. Agnes, Crumlin
10.00a.m.*

MONDAY – SATURDAY

*Morning Prayer: 9.40a.m.
each morning.
Confessions after 10.00a.m.
Mass Saturdays or on request.*

PARISH OFFICE

OPENING HOURS

*Monday - Wednesday
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.
& 2.00p.m. to 5.00p.m.*

*Thursday & Friday
(Closed both afternoons)
9.15a.m. to 1.00p.m.*

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**Please pass
on this
Newsletter!**

*Palm
Sunday
of the
Lord's Passion*

What's on this week:

Choir Practise on Monday evening at 7.30p.m. in the Oratory

Legion of Mary Group meets on Tuesday afternoon at 2.30p.m. in the Church meeting Room

We remember all those who have died recently.

Kathleen Duffy, Gerard Byrne
& David Forde

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE

REFURBISHMENT: After Easter a new phase of the refurbishment will begin including electrics, plumbing and the repair of the large crack in the wall of the Sacred Heart aisle. This will involve a closure of the main church for approximately 6 weeks. **Weekday Mass after Easter will continue in the Oratory, Monday to Saturday at 10a.m. Sunday Mass, from the Sunday after Easter 3rd April, will be at 10.30 am in Our Lady's Hall.** The Hall can seat approximately 400 for Mass. We suggest that people with their own transport might consider going to Sunday Mass in our sister or neighbouring parishes. A full schedule of Sunday Mass times in the vicinity will be published soon.



PARISH LOTTO



Development Fund
There was no winner of last week's Jackpot.

Congratulations to last week's winners of the three €20 Prizes

2 13 14 32

Next week's Jackpot will be €2600.00

The Draw takes place on Tuesday morning after 10 a.m. Mass in the Church Meeting Room. Entries for the Lotto draw each week must be put into the safe in the church by 11.00a.m. on Mondays.

All are welcome to attend the draw.

Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion "Pilate addressed them a third time, 'What evil has this man done? I found him guilty of no capital crime.'" The Palm Sunday Gospel readings present a sad picture of grown-ups who succumb to peer pressure. Three times, Pilate proclaimed that Jesus was not guilty. But yet, he gave in to the mounting pressure from the crowd, whose "voices prevailed... and he handed Jesus over to them." Also, during the opening Gospel at the procession of palms, we see the adoring crowds hailing Jesus as "the king who comes in the name of the Lord," but only too soon the chorus changes as the voice of the crowd cries out, "Crucify him! Crucify him!" What happened to Jesus' loyal supporters? How did the mob mentality overtake them all? Then too, we have Peter, who in comfortable company with Jesus and his friends promised eternal faithfulness. But when other began asking uncomfortable questions, he caved: "Woman, I do not know him." These three scenarios give us a chance to reflect on our own faithfulness as we journey into Holy Week. Like Pilate, do we know the truth but abandon it when it becomes unpopular? Public opinion these days declares much Church teaching to have fallen out of favour--will we renege like Pilate or stand fast to the faith? The fickle crowds demonstrate another kind of weakness, where instead of thinking for themselves, people just followed those around them. Are we guilty of this kind of passive intellectual laziness? How about Peter's problem: do we change our story based on current company, or do we live as consistent Christian witnesses in the world? This week, may we have the courage to accompany Jesus all the way to the cross, no matter what anyone else may do.

Palm Sunday

HOLY WEEK It's a long Mass today. Palms and Passion all rolled into one. We rejoice and we become sombre as we recall some of the most important events of our faith. Luke's orderly account has Jesus slowly making his journey to Jerusalem. Today's Mass brings that journey to an end, at least as far as our reading of Luke is concerned. To the acclaim of crowds, Jesus enters the city on a colt. But his journey eventually leads him to the Mount of Olives and then to Golgotha and finally to a rock-hewn tomb. We know that this is not the end of the story. There are still other events to be fulfilled. But we will have to wait until we get to Pentecost for that final chapter of Luke's narrative. Like the Mass this weekend, our own journey through life can have its ups and downs. We can be filled with joy one moment and saddled with grief at another. Our Lord and Saviour experienced the same. As a human person like us he had joyous times and sad ones as well. The same holds true for those eyewitnesses who Luke speaks of in the introduction to his Gospel. The ones who were with Jesus from the beginning also knew both sorrow and joy. They persisted in the faith, handing down the story of Christ to our day. And in our joys and in our sorrows we try to pass on the faith as well.

Hail Re- King

Priest
the



deemer divine!

and Lamb,
throne is

thine,
King, whose reign shall never cease,
Prince of everlasting peace.

**Angels, saints and nations sing
"Praised be Jesus Christ, our King;
Lord of life, earth sky and sea,
King of love on Calvary."**

King, whose name creation thrills
Rule our minds, our hearts our wills
Till in peace each nation rings
With thy praises, King of Kings. (to chorus...)

Jerusalem! Jerusalem!

**1. Lift up your gates and sing,
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna to your King!**

**2. Jerusalem! Jerusalem!
Hark! How the angels sing,
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna to your King!**

**3. Jerusalem! Jerusalem!
Sing for the night is o'er!
Hosanna in the highest!
Hosanna for evermore.**



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER 2016

THE WEEK THAT CHANGED THE WORLD



Palm Sunday 20th

March

Masses on Palm Sunday: Vigil Mass Sat 19th 6.30 pm, *Procession with blessed Palms.* **Chant Group**

Palm Sunday 20th : 9.00am, 10.30 am & 12.00 noon, *Procession with Blessed Palms.* **Parish Choir**

Holy Week begins on Palm or Passion Sunday. It celebrates the triumphal entry of Christ into Jerusalem while the people cried Hosanna. We will bless and distribute Palms and invite you to take a small piece to your home to signify that Christ is a welcome guest there.

MASS Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of Holy Week 10am in the Oratory followed by Stations of the Cross .



**YOUR INVITATION
TO
JOURNEY WITH THE
PARISH COMMUNITY
THROUGH THE SACRED
DAYS OF HOLY WEEK
AND EASTER**

Holy Thursday 24th

March



10.00am Mass of Chrism, Pro-Cathedral at which our Parish will be represented by members of the PPC.

*7.30pm Solemn celebration of the Lord's Supper, with **Procession to the Altar of Repose** followed by 'Watch and pray' for an hour led by the Mercy Associates & Ambassadors of Mercy.*

*On this day the Lord instituted the Priesthood and the Blessed Eucharist. His command is "Do this in memory of me." At the Last Supper he shocked his disciples by doing the job of a servant - washing their feet -and in so doing left an example of love that he invites his disciples to imitate. At the end of our Solemn celebration, with which we begin the **Easter Triduum**, we carry the Blessed Sacrament through the church in procession, to the Altar of repose remembering Jesus in the garden of Gethsemane.*



Good Friday 25th March

Mass is not celebrated today.

10.00am, Morning Prayer

12noon, Dramatised Stations of the Cross (outdoors, weather permitting).

*3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion with Veneration of the Cross and Holy Communion
9.00pm Prayer around the cross with Confessions.*

What a strange name for such an awful day.

Today we journey with Christ on the way of the Cross, a path of suffering and of pain that leads him to the hill of Calvary and death.

How it must have broken his mother's heart to see her Son abused and tortured, jeered at and slapped and finally nailed to a cross. His disciples ran away, and who could blame them, they were in fear of their lives. Today we can sit at the foot of his cross and grieve for our own sins, the sins he took upon himself for our salvation.

Holy Saturday 26th March

10.00am Morning Prayer "and they laid the body of Jesus in a tomb" Today we wait in silent prayer at the resting place of Jesus. Confessions 10.30 am - 12.00noon & 3.00 pm - 4.30 pm.

Mass of the Easter Vigil 9.00pm.



Easter Vigil 9.00 pm Holy Saturday

This is the night when Jesus broke the chains of death and opened the gates of life to all who believe. This is the final piece in the jigsaw of salvation history. Our readings tonight take us through that great

history celebrating the mighty deeds of the Lord in ancient times. We listen to the great promise of a Messiah, one who would change everything, and we celebrate the fulfilment of that promise in the life, death and resurrection of Jesus.

Through Baptism



Easter Sunday 27th March

Masses : 9.00 am, 10.30 Family Mass & 12.00 noon

This is the day the Lord has made. Resurrection Day. Humankind had done it's worst, they had seen Jesus off and as far as they were concerned that was the end of the Jesus story.

*Little did they know that the story was just beginning. The power of the resurrection was unstoppable and soon his word would be heard in every corner of the earth. It has even found a home in us! **Alleluia!***

We wish all our Parishioners a Happy and Holy Easter, Canon John, Fr. Dave and the Parish Pastoral Council and Staff.





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addiction, of devotion to duty, and of lifelong
reverence for the Holy Sacrament"

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