



PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION
SUNDAY 10th APRIL 2022

The Suffering Servant

Today's first reading is one of four poems about this servant, who is called to speak for God and is ridiculed and mistreated for his efforts. Even so the servant continues his mission with complete trust that God will ultimately vindicate him.

Luke consistently uses this and other Old Testament Scriptures to portray Jesus as a rejected but always faithful prophet a concept his Gentile Christian hearers could readily grasp. Today's passion account contains several elements unique to Luke, who repeatedly depicts Jesus proclaiming by word and deed the mercy of God offered to all, whether Jew or Gentile, sinner or righteous.

The passion account portrays Jesus offering mercy and compassion even as he endures his own suffering and death. At his arrest, Jesus' disciples turn to violence, one of them cutting off the ear of the high priest's servant. Jesus admonishes them to put away their weapons and heals the man's ear. At the start of his own passion, Jesus offers God's healing to one who is an instrument of his suffering. When he is raised up on the cross, Jesus begs God to forgive those who are crucifying him. Unlike Mark and Matthew, Luke narrates that one of the criminals crucified with Jesus acknowledges his own guilt and somehow recognizes Jesus as a prophet of divine mercy. Jesus responds to him: "today you will be with me in Paradise" (Lk 23:43).

The centurion's statement that "This man was innocent" (Lk 23:47) returns to the theme of the suffering righteous (or "innocent") one of Isaiah. Even in death, God's saving power is at work, and Jesus, God's obedient servant, is acknowledged to be innocent as he awaits God's ultimate vindication.



Palm Sunday Of The Lord's Passion

Sunday 10th April 2022 (Cycle C)

Parish Diary

Sunday Masses	10.00 am & 6.30 pm
Weekday Masses	9.00 am
Wednesdays	9.00 am – Eucharistic Service
Friday	Adoration following 9.00 am Mass
Confessions	Saturdays 9.30 am - 10.00 am
Legion of Mary	After Sunday morning mass (11.30 am onwards)
Baptisms	By Appointment (Saturdays 12.00 pm - 12.30 pm)

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday 10 th April	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (C)
Monday 11 th April	Monday in Holy Week
Tuesday 12 th April	Tuesday in Holy Week
Wednesday 13 th April	Wednesday in Holy Week
Thursday 14 th April	Maundy Thursday
	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 15 th April	Good Friday
	Today is a day of fasting and abstinence
Saturday 16 th April	Holy Saturday
Sunday 17 th April	The Resurrection of the Lord - Solemnity

Easter Triduum

Christ redeemed mankind and gave perfect glory to God principally through his paschal mystery; by dying he destroyed our death and by rising he restored our life. The Easter Triduum of the passion and resurrection of Christ is thus the culmination of the entire liturgical year.

Holy Week and Easter 2022 at English Martyrs

❖ <u>Palm Sunday 10th April</u>	
❖ <i>Mass with Procession of Palms</i>	10.00 am
❖ <i>Evening Mass with Blessing of Palms</i>	6.30 pm
❖ <u>Maundy Thursday 14th April</u>	
❖ <i>Mass with washing of feet</i>	7.30 pm
❖ <i>Followed by the Watch until 12.00 Midnight</i>	
❖ <u>Good Friday 15th April</u>	
❖ <i>Liturgy of the Passion & Holy Communion</i>	3.00 pm
❖ <i>Stations of the Cross</i>	7.30 pm
❖ <u>Holy Saturday 16th April</u>	
❖ <i>Easter Vigil Mass</i>	9.00 pm
❖ <u>Easter Sunday 24th April</u>	
❖ <i>Morning Mass</i>	10.00 am
❖ <i>Evening Mass</i>	6.30 pm



Masses & Intentions This Week

Sunday 10 th April	10.00 am	V Alexander – RIP
	6.30 pm	For Parishioners
Monday 11 th April	9.00 am	Bernard Mithen – RIP (donor – Clare Lostly)
Tuesday 12 th April	9.00 am	
Wednesday 13 th April	9.00 am	Eucharistic Service
Thursday 14 th April	7.30 pm	Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 15 th April	3.00 pm	Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord
	7.30 pm	Stations of the Cross
Saturday 16 th April	9.00 pm	Easter Vigil Mass
Sunday 17 th April	10.00 am	Mrs Anne Melia – RIP and Finbar Buckley RIP (donor – Mary Fant)
	6.30 pm	For Parishioners

Parish Notice Board

RIP

We were very sorry to hear of the recent death of Ann Headd at Ravenscourt Nursing Home. Please pray for her husband Patrick and children. Ann's funeral service will take place on Friday 22nd April at 11o/c and burial at Upminster Cemetery.

Palm Sunday - Poster/Palms

Today, Palm Sunday, we begin our Sunday morning/evening celebrations in the hall with the blessing of palms and procession into the church. Kindly collect your palm in the lounge prior to the procession into the church and as you leave the church after mass collect your 'Holy Week' poster and Easter Offerings envelope.

Just a gentle reminder that your offerings is for the Parish Priest as with the Christmas offerings, your generosity, as always, is kindly appreciated.

2nd Collection on Good Friday 15th April 2022

The Second Collection on Good Friday will be for Holy Places.

Gift Aid

Many thanks to those who are in the Gift Aid Scheme. For those parishioners who have continued to use the Gift Aid envelopes throughout the pandemic, new boxes of envelopes are at the back of the church for collection. Parishioners who are in the Gift Aid Scheme and would like to recommence using Gift Aid envelopes, if your numbered box is not there, please use one of the unnumbered boxes and put your Gift Aid number on the envelopes so that any future donation can be linked to your account.

For those in the Gift Aid Scheme who would like written confirmation of the total amount of donations they have made for the tax year ending 5 April 2022, to confirm that they will be paying a sufficient amount of tax for the Parish to reclaim or for their own tax return, please contact the Parish Secretary.

Gift Aid Declaration and Bank Mandate Forms will also be at the back of the church for those who would like to join the Gift Aid Scheme or would like to switch to online transfers.

Once again, thank you for joining the Gift Aid Scheme, which brings in extra revenue for the Parish at no extra cost to the donor."

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