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| SATURDAY | 27th | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (B) No Mass |
| SUNDAY | 28th | PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (B) 09:00 Solemn Mass <i>Our Parish Community</i> 10:45 Solemn Mass <i>Russell & Kathleen Crook RIP</i> |
| MONDAY | 29th | MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK No Mass |
| TUESDAY | 30th | TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK Mass <i>Sidney Fisher RIP</i> |
| WEDNESDAY | 31st | WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK (SPY WEDNESDAY) 09:45 Mass <i>Tim Francis RIP (SS)</i> |
| THURSDAY | 1st | MAUNDY THURSDAY 19:30 at Greenstead MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER <i>Mike & Eileen Sabini - RIP</i> |
| FRIDAY | 2nd | GOOD FRIDAY , day of fasting and abstinence. 14.15 Stations of the Cross. 15:00 SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION |
| SATURDAY | 3rd | HOLY SATURDAY 12:00 No Mass 19:30 at Greenstead EASTER VIGIL <i>Nina Achilleos RIP (Fr Jon)</i> |

MASS INTENTIONS: Contact Fr Jon for a Mass intention for yourself or for your family.

CONFESSION: Is available by appointment.

Chantry List for the coming week:

We pray for the happy repose of the souls of all the faithful departed, especially for those whose anniversary of death occurs at this time: Fred Smith (16); Christine Maddock (88); Josephine Fleet (10); Peter Edwards (17); Michael Dereham (87); Doreen Buchanan (98); Anne Curtis (15); David William Anthony Mort (11); Peter Kenny (01); Wendy Anne Kirk (92); Mary Wilkinson (91); Peter Fox (00); John Drumm (96); Emily James (01); Molly Tomkins (17).
May their souls rest in peace. Amen.

Our prayers for the Sick & Suffering include:

Ellen Kirby, Violet Felton, Lily Dopson, Angela L, Barry S, Kerri H, Sid B, Betty B, Maura G, John F, Gary R, Marjorie S, Elaine S, Genette F, John W, Teresa H, Noel K, Dean K, Christopher D, Carmelo S, Peter W, Gina O, Samantha B, Jenny C, John, Isaac Nelson, Ann Mary B, Brian B, Steve F, Kay Shaw, Sophia, Jasintah de Madonsa, Catherine Ford, Joan Kerins, Beth Thompson.

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Greenstead, Ardleigh and Mistley

We of St John Payne Catholic Parish seek to reflect the joyful life-affirming power of Christ's Living Presence among all where Essex meets East Anglia.



PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (B)

Week beginning 28th March 2021

“Commemoration Of The Lord’s Entrance Into Jerusalem”

On this day the church celebrates Christ’s entrance into Jerusalem to accomplish his paschal mystery. Accordingly, this event is included in every Mass with the procession or solemn entrance.

Entrance Antiphon:

Six days before the Passover, when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem, the children ran to meet him; in their hands they carried palm branches and with a loud voice cried out: Hosanna in the highest! Blest are you, who have come in your abundant mercy! O gates lift high your heads; grow higher ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory. Hosanna in the highest! Blest are you, who have come in your abundant mercy.

1st Reading:

Isaiah: 50: 4-7

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

Responsorial Psalm

R/. My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

2nd Reading:

Letter of St Paul to the 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.

Gospel Reading:

Mark 14:1-15:47

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark.



We would respectfully ask that you please ensure that all mobile phones are switched off while you are in church.

FR JON'S 'GUIDANCE FOR THE CELEBRATION OF HOLY WEEK'

Palm Sunday – The Procession commemorating *The Lord's Entrance into Jerusalem* will not take place this year. The Mass will begin at the entrance to the church where the Palm Crosses will be blessed, and the Gospel of the Lord's Entry into Jerusalem will be proclaimed. After the Gospel, the ministers move to the Sanctuary and the Mass continues with the *Collect*. The shorter form of the Passion from the Gospel of St Mark is read by the Priest alone. The *turba* parts (crowd responses) are not to be exclaimed by the congregation. The blessed Palm Crosses will be distributed to the faithful as they leave the church after Mass.

Mass of the Lord's Supper – The Washing of the Feet is omitted, and there is to be no procession to the Altar of Repose. The Reserved Sacrament will be kept in the Tabernacle. The priest (and servers) may spend a little time in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle before exiting the sanctuary. The faithful are encouraged to also kneel in adoration during this time. Once the priest (and servers) leaves the sanctuary the people should leave church in the now customary way. For reasons of safety, *Watching* in lieu of the Altar of Repose is not possible.

Good Friday – The Stations of the Cross will be led from the lectern, and not involve the following of the individual *Stations* around the church. **Walks of Witness** are not permitted. The proclamation of the **Passion according to St John** will be read with the Priest plus two other readers. The *turba* parts (crowd responses) are not to be exclaimed by the congregation. The Universal Prayer is to be carried out with a special intention (*For the afflicted in time of Pandemic*) inserted before the intercession *For those in Tribulation (X)*. **The Adoration of the Holy Cross** is limited to the Priest alone. After he has done this, the Cross will be elevated for a brief time, and the faithful will be invited to adore the Holy Cross, in silence, with a profound bow or by genuflecting, from their seats (*Rubrics #19*), followed by another short period of silent prayer. Holy Communion will be given under one kind from the Reserved Sacrament according to the previous *Guidance* offered by the Bishops' Conference.

The Easter Vigil – For the celebration of the Easter Vigil, the Paschal Candle will be prepared in the usual way, enthroned and lit in the Sanctuary, but by the Priest alone, and before the people gather in the church. The Priest (and Servers) will process in silence to the sanctuary where the Priest begins the celebration with the Sign of the Cross and the Greeting, *Dear brothers and sisters, on this most sacred night...* At the end of the Greeting, the Shorter Form of the Easter Proclamation (the **Exsultet**) which is read, and not sung, immediately follows. The faithful are not to hold votive candles for the Easter Vigil. In the **Liturgy of the Word**, there will be only two Old Testament readings, with their respective psalms, in addition to the reading of Exodus 14 and its canticle, after which the Epistle and Gospel follow. After the homily, the Priest blesses the baptismal water in the font and the Renewal of Baptismal Promises are made by those present. However, the *asperges* (sprinkling with holy water) is omitted. The Liturgy of the Eucharist follows in the usual manner.

Mass of Easter Day – Easter Sunday will be celebrated as normal, but without the *asperges* (sprinkling of holy water) as part of the Renewal of Baptismal Promises.

PLEASE NOTE; In compliance with the Government's directives on Test & Trace, and in fairness to everyone wishing to attend, it is imperative that people pre-register for the *Triduum* and Easter Sunday celebrations.

- **Maundy Thursday** (at 7:30pm) has a few places available.
- **Good Friday;** Stations of the Cross (at 2:15pm) and The Passion of the Lord (at 3pm) are both fully booked.
- **Holy Saturday** (at 7:30pm) has 2 places available.
- **Easter Sunday;** 9am Mass has just 1 place available.
10:45am Mass is fully booked.

OFFERTORIES: Last Sunday's offertory collections amounted to £ 253.11

OFFERINGS TO THE CHURCH may be made through standing orders or posted to the presbytery (Cheques only). You can make regular or one-off donations at any time at: <https://www.dioceseofbrentwood.net/donations/?parish=greenstead-with-ardleigh-and-mistley> where you can also find Gift Aid forms if you are a taxpayer.

ONLINE MASSES: Liturgical resources for those at home, including those making a "Spiritual Communion" may be found here: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/our-work/health-social-care/coronavirus-guidelines/prayer-and-worship-at-home/>

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things

and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.

GIFT AID OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: Sun 4th April is the final Sunday for the current financial year envelopes - envelopes for the new financial year are now available in the church hall for collection after all masses.

If you are a taxpayer and have not yet joined the Gift Aid scheme, information forms will be available or you can speak to Fr Jon or Gene Horgan - the parish receives a tax refund of 25% on all offertory and special donations made by Gift Aid members at no extra cost to the donors and there is no commitment to pay a specific amount or any specified period for membership but members are required to advise us if they no longer pay tax.

Our parish receives over £10,000 in Gift Aid tax refunds each year.

The new envelopes (in alphabetical order) are on the work top in the church hall.

NEWSLETTER: Send items for next week's newsletter by Wednesday evening to the Church Office at sjpchurch@btinternet.com

View Parish Newsletters and Fr Jon's Sunday Homilies online at:

<https://stjohnpayne.org.uk/newsletter>