



Palm Sunday

Mass times, intentions + this week

Sat 23rd March	6.00pm	Nell Smith, Christine McCabe
Sun 24th March Palm Sunday	10.30am	Sonny Donerto Special Intention, Colin Campbell
Monday 25th March	9.10am <i>10.30am</i>	Rob Davin (birthday Rem) Funeral Service: Ronnie West
Tues 26th March	9.10am 7.00pm	Margaret Eastwood (Sp Int) <i>Service of Reconciliation</i>
Wed 27th March	<u>11.00am</u> 12 noon	<i>Reconciliation</i> Mick + Lil Grimes
Thurs 28th March	<u>7.00pm</u>	Buddy Leas, Stan Hoare
Friday 29th March	3.00pm	Passion Service
Sat 30th March EASTER VIGIL	<u>6.30pm</u>	Colette Morrissey, Mary Sutton
Sun 31st March Easter Sunday	10.30am	Angela + Tony Barker Parishioners Intentions

Praying the Parish Mass Book: The readings are on **Page 187**.

Confessions	Wednesday 11.30 - 11.50am and any other time by appointment with Fr Philip.
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Palm Sunday 24th March 2024



This Sunday, called “Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion,” has two halves to it, palms and passion. They stand in jarring contrast to each other.

First, the palms proclaim Jesus’ kingship. The palms we hold are an imitation of what the local people did long ago, the ones who lined the road.

Then the crowds along the way treated Jesus as a kingly hero. They spread out their coats on the roadway and covered them with palm branches cut

from the fields. It was a symbol to soften the pathway for the kingly one: to keep the dirt off him. And they cried out, “Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

But then we move to the Passion. Jesus is the King who suffers. Jesus was and remains the one who loves, no matter what. We have here the opposite of the kind of greatness we always imagine: service of God’s people as the true basis of rulership. A good ruler pulls a kingdom together and makes it safe, a place of abundance. If they accomplish such a goal, no kingly suffering would be too great. Palm/Passion Sunday is a large-scale revelation of kingship’s true meaning, a vision we in our country (in the face of poor political leadership) certainly need today. +Real love.

Holy Week

Tuesday 26th March: **Service of Reconciliation** at 7.00pm.

Wednesday 27th March: Confessions from 11.00am

Chrism Mass at the Cathedral at 7.30pm.

Holy Thursday 28th March: Holy Thursday Mass of the Lord's

Supper followed by watching at 7.00pm .

The watching will end with night prayer at 8.50pm.

Good Friday: Ecumenical Walk of Witness begins at 9.30am at St Giles. We join with local Christians walking to give witness to our faith, stopping at Hope Church and Holy Rosary, ending at Old Roan Methodists.

Passion Service at 3.00pm at Holy Rosary.

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil at **6.30pm**. (Clocks go forward one hour tonight)

Easter Sunday Mass at 10.30am. Baptisms at 12 noon.

Becoming a Catholic: If there is any adult who wants to become a Catholic or make 1st Communion and Confirmation please get in touch with Fr Philip. **What Catholics believe about.....** There will be 3 more after Easter, beginning Thursday April 11th at 7.00pm. Open to everyone but with a special invitation to those adults who would like to become Catholics or make their Holy Communion - all welcome.

Warm Lunch: The warm lunches will take place on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month. The next one is on Friday 5th April. Just turn up to the Parish Hall from 12 noon (food usually served at 12.30). All welcome. Warm lunches will continue until May.

Churches Food Share: Suggested: Pasta, sauces, herbs, rice, cereals.

Eucharistic Ministers: We are hoping to have a course to commission some more Eucharistic Ministers, those who can help at Mass and / or take communion to the housebound and sick. Please let Fr Philip know if you could do this.

Marriage Preparation: The 3 Deaneries of Sefton have been invited to pilot a new Diocesan marriage preparation course. We need some volunteers to be trained from each parish. Can you help? The training will be on 13th April from 1030 - 2.00pm at St Monica's Parish Club. We have had one volunteer - any more?

Tickets (£2.00 each, under 11's free) available this weekend for the next **Family Bingo, Quiz and Games night** on Friday 12th April at 7.00pm. Prizes will be bottles of gin and whiskey.

Holy Rosary Ladies next meet on Tuesday 26th March at 7:45pm (this is so those who want to can attend the Service of Reconciliation) new members welcome. Contact Jo Donovan .

Lenten Music at the Cathedral Sunday 24 March - Tenebrae - 7:30pm.

Easter Bunny Walk - Mon 1 April at 11am: The Easter Bunny Walk to raise money for the Liverpool Lourdes Pilgrimage will be taking place on 1 April . The walk will go from St Gregory the Great, Lydiate, to Our Lady, and back, and guests of all ages and well-behaved dogs are welcome. Each person will get a water bottle, bunny ears, and an Easter egg. The walk costs £8 per person, or £20 for a family of 4.

Thank you for the donation of £100 towards the webcam from one of our virtual parishioners in Formby.

CAFOD walk: On Tuesday Holy Rosary school are all taking part in the Lent walk organised by CAFOD to help raise funds for those most in need. We hope it is a dry day!

The **Parish Hall** will be closed to all users the week beginning Monday 22nd April. This will enable us to refurbish the toilet and to rebuild broken walls, put new flooring down and re-tile the bathroom. No one will be allowed to use the building that week. Money towards this was raised at the Christmas raffle - £700 of the estimated bill of £1476.

Chrism Mass: Fr Philip has 3 spaces in his car for the Chrism Mass - does anyone want to go? Car park space included.