

## Palm Sunday—13th April 2025 Page

Holy Mass Year C. Psalter Week 2

Sat 12th 6:00pm Michael Diskin RIP

Sun 13th 9:15am Pro Populo - Special Intentions

Children's Liturgy in the Lounge **after the procession leaves**

**No Children's Liturgy Easter Sunday**

Refreshments in the Hall after 9:15am Mass

Sun 13th 11:00am Theresa Devaney RIP

**Weekdays Holy Rosary: 9:05am led by parishioners**

Mon 14th 9:30am Jonathan Burnip RIP (3rd ann)

14th 6:00pm Reception Martin Ward

Tue 15th 11:00am Requiem for Martin Ward

Wed 16th 9:30am May Joy RIP - Moira Blacker RIP 93rd ann)

Maundy Thu 17th 7:00pm Theresa Devaney RIP

8-9 Holy Hour

Good Fri 18th 2:30pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Sat 19th 11:00am Blessing of baskets (Polish tradition)

**Sat 10.00 Exposition of the blessed sacrament & confessions:**

\* Mass intentions envelopes and Mass cards at the Piety Shop.

Let us Pray to the Lord

*For the sick:*

Marie Lewis, Mary Browner, David Marsh, Kirsty Kalnins, Codey Darlison, Cynthia Mallabone, David Reeves, Joan Hanlon, Margaret Berk mire, Liz Lloyd, Mary Furlong, Jim Jarvis, Martin Reed, Alice Guiney, Abi Glenn, Mick Broadway, Carol Wright, Caelan Shannon & Swaren Baden.

For all those in hospital and parishioners who receive the Blessed Sacrament at home.

*For the recently departed:* Michael Diskin (23rd Apr) & Theresa Devaney.(7th May)

*Anniversaries week beginning : 13th April 2025*

John Morris, Kate Smith, Jonathan Burnip, Mary Downes, Eileen Broderick, Ellen Phipps, Leonard Banks, Mary Fox, Jozef Kuchta, Cahal Rowland, Nellie Kirkham & Roger Howkins.

*Clergy Anniversaries:*

Rev Anthony Browne, Rev Peter Moore, Rev Reginald Slade, Rev Patrick Downey & Rev Antony Conlon.

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### THE OLD RUGGED CROSS

In writing his gospel and the activities of the early Church, Luke the Evangelist talks of a certain Theophilus, who he addresses as 'His Excellency'. The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke, which is read on this Palm Sunday narrates the last events in the earthly life of Jesus. It starts with his family-like sharing of a meal at the table with his disciples, and ends with his burial. Like other evangelists Matthew, Mark and John, Luke presents as significant, the crucifixion and death of Jesus so that we the Theophilus, (those who love God), 'might know the truthfulness of those words by which we have been instructed' (Luke 1:4).

Time and again, it is vital to go back and reflect on the meaning of Jesus' crucifixion and death. On the one hand, we focus on its pain, distaste, repulsion, ugliness, malice and destruction; but on the other hand, the crucifixion shows power, is a sign of victory and inspires hope.

The Rugged Cross by George Bennard (1873 -1958) an American evangelist and hymn writer, presents the cross and its significance. This hymn may be sung alongside the other entitled, When I survey the glorious cross by Isaac Watts (1674 -1748) an English theologian, hymn writer and poet. What do we draw from the Rugged and Glorious Cross that is so central in our Christian faith? Just this; to recognise its mysterious presence in our life and to carry it without indignation but with resignation to the Will of God. Human nature is drawn to comfort and evades pain. The problem with this is that by doing so, we might be led to ignore and to reject the Cross, and to evade it.

The mystery of the Cross, which is founded on the incarnation of God's eternal Son, invites us to focus our attention to what humanity desires most. Carrying the Rugged Cross along the rough road to our Calvary is rewarding. Carrying our daily crosses does not make us bad people, instead it makes us to grow in harmony, joy, happiness, compassion, forgiveness and reconciliation since all forms of success, arise out of sacrificing selfish feelings.

We enter Holy Week praying for, and thanking God for the members of our parish community who have completed their pilgrimage faithfully. Let us be thankful for the support we give to one another. The love and acceptance we show, lessens the weight our crosses would have inflicted on us if we were left on our own. This is where accepting and welcoming everybody becomes alive.

*Fr. Jimmy Lutwama AJ Parish Priest .*

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The Parish Team:

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Schools: Our Lady and St Josephs School TEL: 024 76383807  
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SAFEGUARDING: The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our parish Safeguarding Representative: Christine Scullion [sg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.oloangels.nuneaton@rcaob.org.uk) Alternatively if you have any concerns please contact the Diocesan Safeguarding team 0121 230 6240 email [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk).

## FINANCE: Second Collection: 18th Apr Holy Places

Parish Finances week beginning 6/4/24

COLLECTION: £1249.60 of which Gift Aid £559.75  
FABRIC FUND: £455.73 of which Gift Aid: £260.68  
APRIL Tap & Go: £188.00 of which Gift Aid: £83.00  
APRIL STANDING ORDER: £1788.67  
CAFOD Cake Sale: £116.10 To DONATE  
Sunday 5/6 April Mass attendance 745 Scan QR Code

*Many  
Thanks!*



**Gift Aid it!** - to add 25% to the value of your donation contact the parish office!

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY:

Mon - Apr 28th	Meditation 7:30pm
Tue - Apr 29th	4-5pm Holy Communion class
Tue - Apr 8th	7:30pm RCIA
Wed - Apr 30th	Bible Class after morning Mass
Wed - Apr 30th	Bible Study 7:30pm
Thu - Apr 18th	Craft Group 12:30pm
Tue - Apr 15th	Seniors after Mass
Wed - Apr 16th	Coffee morning after Mass

## MATTERS OF IMPORTANCE:

**Change of Mass Time (CHRISM MASS)** please note that the priests of the diocese will renew their consecration on Wednesday 16th April at St. Chad's Cathedral. Holy Mass will be at 9:00am

**Would you wish to sponsor or to contribute** to any of these causes? The Apostles of Jesus Missionaries will ordain **32** members to the priesthood by December. **10** members in temporal vows will pronounce their Perpetual Vows while **10** others will start to prepare for their perpetual vows. **5** Novices will make their first profession and **30** will be admitted to the Major Seminary as postulants. I'm sure some of these candidates will soon be here as missionaries. If anybody would like to financially support in any of their following requirements, it will be appreciated:

32 Priest Mass Vestment (Chasuble) each **£61.00 Total £1952.00**

32 Albs for newly Ordained priests each **Alb £50.00 All £1,600.00**

15 Cassocks for 15 Novices and newly Professed **each £34.00 Total £ 510.00**

3 different Spiritual Retreats (facilitation and maintenance) : **£5512.00**

Cheques can be made payable to "*Apostles of Jesus Missionaries Support UK*" Reg. Charity 1205905 or to the Give by contact Dona Machine at the back to *Train a Missionary Priest*.

**Pray for this intention:** on Wednesday this week, two missionary priests appointed to the United Kingdom will submit their applications to the Home Office Visa Section in Nairobi—Kenya. Thank you for supporting their formation, and now, for the process of their going to their missionary assignment. Please pray for successful outcome. I will brief you more about this.

**Easter Sunday Collection** is your personal gift to your Parish priest. Thank you so much in advance for your generosity and for all other things you provide in the running of this parish.

**Novena Of Divine Mercy** will start on Good Friday immediately after the Passion of the Lord. Divine Mercy Sunday celebration will be held at St. Mary and Benedict Raglan Street starting at 2:00pm. More information on the Noticeboard.

## HOLY WEEK & EASTER PROGRAM - 2025

**Parish Penitential Service** 7th April 2025 at 7:00pm.

**Palm Sun** 9:15am/11:00am Blessing of Palms followed by procession

**Holy Thurs 17th** 7:00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper Recommissioning of Extra-ordinary Ministers. Silent Adoration until 10:00pm

**Good Friday** 2:30pm Stations of the Cross

3:00pm Celebration of the Passion of our Lord.

**Holy Saturday** 8:00pm Easter Vigil Mass

**Sunday** 9:15am Easter Sunday Mass

11:00am Easter Sunday Mass

**Easter Monday** 10:00am Mass. Other parishes

**Sunday 27th** 2:00pm Divine Mercy prayers at St. Mary's Church Coventry.

3:45pm Holy Mass