

## THE WORD

### 1. THE SOLEMN ENTRANCE

#### ANTIPHON

Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel.

Hosanna in the highest.

#### ANTIPHON 2 during procession

The children of the Hebrews spread their garments on the road, crying out and saying: Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

### 2. THE SIMPLE 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!

Blessed 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!  
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

#### COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God, who as an example of humility for the human race to follow caused our Saviour to take flesh and submit to the Cross, graciously grant that we may heed his lesson of patient suffering and so merit a share in his Resurrection. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.  
**Amen.**

#### FIRST READING

Is 50:4-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.  
The Lord has given me a disciple's tongue. So that I may know how to reply to the wearied, he provides me with speech. Each morning he wakes me to hear, to listen like a disciple. The Lord has opened my ear. For my part, I made no resistance, neither did I turn away. I offered my back to those who struck me, my cheeks to those who tore at my beard; I did not cover my face against insult and spittle. The Lord comes to my help, so that I am untouched by the insults. So, too, I set my face like flint; I know I shall not be shamed.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### PSALM

Psalm 21

Response:  
**My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?**

1. All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
"He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;  
let him release him if this is his friend." (R.)

2. Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.  
I can count every one of my bones. (R.)

3. They divide my clothing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.  
O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren  
and praise you where they are assembled.  
"You who fear the Lord give him praise;  
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons." (R.)

#### SECOND READING

Phil 2:6-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he 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 other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.  
**Thanks be to God.**

#### 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

Mt 26:14-27:66

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.

The Gospel of the Lord.  
**Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

**I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.**

**I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,**

*(all bow during the next three lines)*

**and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.**

**For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory**

**to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.**

**I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son is adored  
and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.**

**I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.**

#### PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son, O Lord,  
may our reconciliation with you be near at hand,  
so that, though we do not merit it by our own deeds,  
yet by this sacrifice made once for all,  
we may feel already the effects of your mercy.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it,  
your will be done.**

#### PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Nourished with these sacred gifts,  
we humbly beseech you, O Lord,  
that, just as through the death of your Son  
you have brought us to hope for what we believe,  
so by his Resurrection  
you may lead us to where you call.  
Through Christ our Lord.  
**Amen.**

We thank you Father for the life and knowledge which you have made known to us through Jesus your Son. As this bread which we have broken was once scattered on the hillside and was gathered and became one again, so may your Church be gathered from the ends of the earth into your kingdom. For yours is the glory and the power through Jesus Christ our Lord.

*(The Didache 2nd century)*



The account of the passion and death of Jesus can seem like an extra-long Gospel we have to listen to during every holy week. An ordeal to endure. But this is a profound story, rich in detail and meaning. An excellent way to listen to it is to make it personal, to imagine ourselves caught up in the events of those dramatic days.

We can do this in two ways this year.

First, to connect what happened to Jesus in his time and what is happening today. In his book *Let Us Dream*, Pope Francis writes about good and bad spirits. The battle between the voices of good and evil is real, he says. The sophisticated may be inclined to sneer at these old-fashioned concepts, but the forces of darkness are genuine and very powerful. We need only look at the human rights abuses during the war in Ukraine for proof of evil at work. Evil is a thing. Evil exists. You could say that with the world still reeling from war in Europe, darkness has fallen over the earth, just like the darkness that fell over Jerusalem the day Jesus hung on the cross.

The story of Holy Week is a cosmic drama - a life and death confrontation between good and evil, darkness and light, despair and hope. Evil exists but so also does good. And so much good is being done; a superabundance of goodness is being poured out in response to the suffering in Ukraine. Think of how so many people opened their hearts, homes, and wallets—a wonderful overflowing of compassion and love.

We Christians journey through this week knowing that good and light and hope have triumphed over evil and darkness and despair, and we are people of goodness and light and hope. As you listen to the passion story, pray that your life will always reflect these Godly values.

Second, the Gospel writers tell the story of Holy Week as if it's a magnificent drama you might see on stage. The story unfolds with a colourful cast of characters - heroes and antiheroes. The gospel writers invite us to apply the drama to each of us individually. Imagine you are present in Jerusalem as the week's events play out. What do you think you would have done? What role might you have played? What character might you have been?

Do you identify with the women, the faithful few, who stuck with Jesus right to the end? Do you identify with weak Peter, the awestruck centurion, or the dutiful Simon of Cyrene? Or with the mob, people easily led and manipulated?

We want to think we would have been among the tiny few who followed Jesus to the foot of the cross. But would we?

The journey to Jerusalem is all about discipleship. Enter into the story as you listen to it now and on Good Friday. Take your place. Who are you this seismic week? ■

### REFLECT

Matthew describes how Pilate publicly washed his hands to disassociate himself from the execution of an innocent man.

Another form of washing also plays a major role in the drama of Holy Week. The washing of the feet is reenacted every Holy Thursday during the Mass of the Lord's Supper.

Ten years ago, just a few days after his election to the papacy, Pope Francis made headlines when he washed the feet of twelve young people at a juvenile detention centre outside Rome. They included women and non-Christians – something new for a pope to do.

Pope Francis wanted to make a very clear point: As Christians, we are called to wash feet, and we cannot be selective in whose feet we wash. Foot-washing is about service; it is about bending low before another as a servant. That's what Jesus did at the Last Supper and on the cross of Calvary.

It's what we are called to do, too. ■

### SAY

**"Lord, by your cross and resurrection you have set me free. You are the saviour of the world."**

### LEARN

The passion and death of Christ is proof of God's love for us

Jesus ended up on a cross because of the kind of life he lived. It is the kind of life we also are called to live

Jesus did not die for a misty mass called humanity. He suffered and died for each one of us individually

### DO

Don't treat this as if it were any ordinary week. Make a conscious effort to journey with Jesus through these days.

### PRAY

Think of those who have suffered because of their commitment to justice, truth, and love. Thank God for them.





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Parish Newsletter 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2023

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Oak Park Avenue,  
Santry, Dublin 9

## PARISH & DIOCESAN NOTICES

### PILGRIMAGE TO KNOCK

There will be a pilgrimage to Knock on Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April, Feast of the Divine Mercy. The coach will leave from Holy Child Church Whitehall at 8am.  
For more details contact Marie McAllister on 086 3990998 or by email: [Mariecallister30@gmail.com](mailto:Mariecallister30@gmail.com)

### SPECIAL COLLECTION ON GOOD FRIDAY PRO TERRA SANCTA

Following a request from the Holy See, Archbishop Farrell has this year again asked that we take up a collection on Good Friday for the Holy Land, Pro Terra Sancta. This collection takes place in dioceses throughout the world. We are invited to pray and to collect funds for the Catholic community in the Holy Land and for the maintenance of the Holy Places there. The Archbishop asks each parish to decide how it can best facilitate this collection on Good Friday – perhaps at the church door after the ceremonies.

### PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Penitential Service for the combined three Parishes of our Pastoral Partnership on Monday Night, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, in Holy Child Church at 7.00pm.

### EVENING MASS FOR LENT

In our grouping of parishes the final evening Masses for Lent in the Church of the Nativity of Our Lord, Beaumont at 7.30p.m. Monday – Wednesday.

### SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

If you or your family need assistance, our Parish Conference of the Society of St Vincent de Paul is here to help. Contact the East Region helpline: 01-8550022

### COURSES AT DCU

Theology, Philosophy, and Ethics at DCU: Open House Evening for Alumni, Friends, and Prospective Students – everyone welcome. Thursday, April 20, 6pm-9pm (drop in at any point). Inquiries: email [mary.hayes@dcu.ie](mailto:mary.hayes@dcu.ie) / phone 01 700 6100

### BRIGHT NIGHT LINE DANCING

Monday nights 7:45 – 9:15pm  
Holy Child Parish Centre, The Thatch Road, Dublin 9.  
Cost €8.00

### PRIVACY NOTICE – UPDATE

Please note the Parish Privacy Notice is currently under review. A new version will be published very soon. If you have any questions or require further information, please email Noelle Dowling at [dataprotection@dublindiocese.ie](mailto:dataprotection@dublindiocese.ie).

### AWARE – SUPPORT & SELF CARE GROUPS

If you or those with whom you work wish to connect with people in relation to your mental wellbeing, consider using Aware’s phone-in and Zoom support and self-care groups, support line or support mail. For more information, visit [www.aware.ie](http://www.aware.ie).

### BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT

The Irish Hospice Foundation provides a free Bereavement Support Line. This National Freephone Service is available from 10am to 1pm, Monday to Friday, by calling 1800 807077. Visit [www.hospicefoundation.ie](http://www.hospicefoundation.ie) for more information.

### HOLY WEEK RETREAT

“The Self Emptying of Christ”. Facilitated by Fr Donagh O’Shea OP. At the Dominican Retreat Centre, Tallaght. “Let this mind be in you that was in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped. He emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in human likeness. And being found in human form, he humbled himself and became obedient unto death – even death on a cross.” (Phil 2:5-8). This retreat runs from Wednesday, April 5, 7.30pm till Holy Saturday, April 8, 2pm. Full residential €300. Non-residential €60 per day (Thursday, Friday including lunch, teas/coffees). Advance booking essential. Visit <https://domrc.ie/>

If you would like to submit something for inclusion in the newsletter, please contact the Parish Office.

### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“Holy Week is a privileged time when we are called to be near to Jesus; friendship with him is shown in times of difficulty.”  
Pope Francis



### MASS INTENTIONS

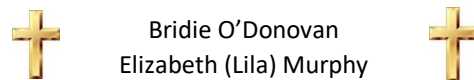
(FROM SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> APRIL TO FRIDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2023)

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| <b>Saturday 7pm</b>                         | Elizabeth Crampton<br>Richard Carrick<br>Stephen Walsh<br>John Spellacy<br>Sean Maher   | Month’s Mind<br>Anniversary<br>10 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary  |
| <b>Sunday 10:30am</b>                       | Joseph Kelly<br>Vincent Moore<br>Matthew McGuinness<br>Madeline Ffrench<br>George Beirnes<br>Charlie Cunningham<br>Cormac O’Reilly<br>Sean Breslin<br>Niamh Oglesby<br>Kay Mullen | Birthday Remembrance<br>Month’s Mind<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary<br>Anniversary |
| <b>Sunday 12:30pm</b>                       | Mary & Patrick Clarke<br>Bridie O’Donovan<br>John Joseph Herity<br>Available for Intention  | Recently Deceased<br>Anniversary   |
| <b>Monday 9:15am</b>                        |   |  |
| <b>Tuesday 9:15am</b>                       |   |  |
| <b>Wednesday 9:15am</b>                     |   |  |
| <b>NO MASSES HOLY THURSDAY, GOOD FRIDAY</b> |   |  |
| <b>CHAPEL OF BLESSED MARGARET BALL</b>      |   |  |
| <b>Sunday 10am</b>                          | David Kennedy<br>Matthew Redmond  | 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary<br>1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary   |
| <b>Wednesday 10am</b>                       | Christopher Hughes<br>Elizabeth (Betty) Carroll   | 1 <sup>st</sup> Anniversary<br>Anniversary   |

If you would like your Mass intentions to be included in the parish newsletter, please submit them to the Parish Office on or before the Tuesday preceding the requested date of the Mass.

### RECENTLY DECEASED

We remember in prayer our friends and loved ones who have recently died in the peace of Christ:



May they rest in peace and rise in glory

“They took branches of palm trees and went forth to meet him, and cried, Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!”

John 12:13



### CONTACT INFORMATION

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### CHURCH OF THE HOLY CHILD

#### MASSES

Monday to Friday: 9:15am  
Saturday: 7:00pm  
Bank Holidays: 10:00am  
Sunday at 10:30am & 12:30 pm

All Masses are broadcast daily by webcam

#### CONFESSIONS

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is celebrated after the 7pm Saturday Mass or on request.

#### CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Mon to Fri: 08:45am - 12:00pm  
Saturday: 6:30pm until after Mass  
Sunday: 10:00am until after 12:30pm Mass

#### BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month at 12:00pm. Please contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance of the date you require.

### CHAPEL OF BLESSED MARGARET BALL

#### MASSES

Wednesday: 10:00am  
Sunday: 10:00am

#### BAPTISM

The Sacrament of Baptism is normally celebrated on the first and third Saturdays of each month at 12:00pm. Please contact the Parish Office at least one month in advance of the date you require.

## Church of the Holy Child, Larkhill, Whitehall

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday of Holy Week  
Mass at 9.15am

**Holy Thursday, 6th April**  
10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer of The Church  
7.30 p.m. Mass of The Lord’s Supper  
Followed by Watch and Pray led by the Adult Faith Team

**Good Friday, 7th April**  
10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer of The Church  
3.00 p.m. Commemoration of The Lord’s Passion  
7.00 p.m. Stations of the Cross

**Holy Saturday, 8th April**  
10.00 a.m. Morning Prayer of The Church  
Confessions 10.15 - 12.00 noon  
9.00 p.m. Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, 9th April**  
Mass at 10.30 a.m. & 12.30pm

**Easter Week: Monday 10th - Friday 14th**  
Mass at 10.00am

### Chapel of Blessed Margaret Ball

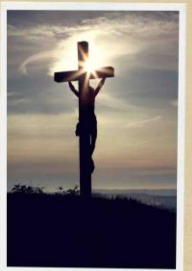
**Spy Wednesday, 5th April**  
Mass at 10.00am

**Holy Thursday, 6th April**  
7.30 p.m. Mass of The Lord’s Supper

**Good Friday, 7th April**  
3.00 p.m. Commemoration of The Lord’s Passion

[No Wednesday morning Mass on April 12th]

### Holy Week and Easter Timetable


**Holy Saturday, 8th April**  
Confessions 10.15 - 11.00 am  
8.00p.m. Easter Vigil

**Easter Sunday, 9th April**  
Mass at 10.00am