



The Parish of the MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



DOMINICA IN PALMIS DE PASSIONE DOMINI 14th April 2019

Welcome to Mass today!

If you are new to the area or this church, please make yourself known to one of the priests after Mass. There is tea and coffee available after the Solemn Mass in the Rectory, we hope you'll come through.

In the gospel reading today, we hear that Jesus is king! The triumphal entry into Jerusalem gives way to his passion and death. Yet Jesus is king and within a week he will rise triumphant from the dead. He is the firm ground of our hope that all sufferings in this life are lost in the power of his resurrection.



Sunday School at the 11.00am Mass is for Children of Primary School age, but will be suspended this week due to the disruption.

The Lights are all fitted, and working, but there is still some fine tuning so they are not quite set up yet. Ntl, looking good eh?

The Pews are all back in place, and my my, don't they look like new! In fact six of them are. Bet you can't tell which. (It's not a challenge!)

The List is ready. Many of MPB members have been phenomenally generous. There are still some who might want to contribute a 'something special'. Now's your chance.

The painted walls are for looking at, not leaning on. Indeed now we have over two hundred seats, there should be fewer who need to stand.

Holy Week starts today. Keep this week in a different and special way. Make time for the Lord : it's the most important week of the year. Take and display a Poster.

Extra Mass on Mon, Tue & Wed at 6.30pm.

Avoid the shops, on Friday. Make an effort to keep Good Friday special: it's the day the Lord died! It's a day of Fast and Abstinence: Catholics should eat nothing except one *light* meal, and no meat that day.

Easter is of course, THE most important day of the year, so you must be at Mass on Easter day! Why would Catholics *not* to be at Mass on Easter Day?

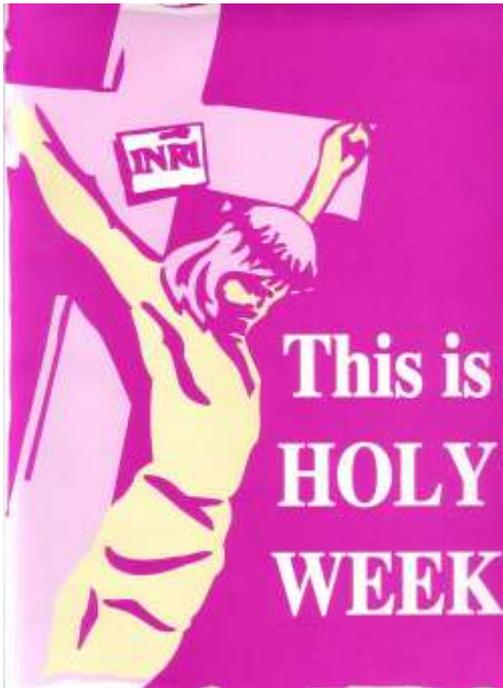
Away next weekend? The long weekend with two Bank Holidays is always a chance to go away. And if you can, why not. Take our love to the parish where you go for Easter Sunday Mass. Tell them you go to the Ordinariate Church of Most Precious Blood. They will have heard of us!

Easter Lilies can be bought in memory of a loved one; there will be a retiring collection for flowers or see Maureen.

Church Cleaning for Easter. There is, as always, lots of work to be done preparing for Easter. There will be a 'cleaning party' on Holy Saturday morning. Many hands....

Confessions before Easter --plan well ahead. Either come to MPB, or somewhere you know, like Westminster Cathedral. It doesn't matter where you, just go and hear the Lord loves you.

Easter Offerings for the clergy can be made using the special envelopes at the back of Church.



Holy Week is most the most sacred time of the year, because we commemorate and remember the last week of Jesus' life on earth. The Lenten season of sacrifice and self-denial is about to come to an end, but this coming week is extremely important for all Christians. The greatest focus of the week is the Passion (suffering and death) and Resurrection of Jesus Christ and the events that led up to it.

Historical documents show that as early as the fourth century the Church celebrated this "Great Week" with a feeling of profound sanctity. It begins today on Palm Sunday, which marks Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem. The feature of today, as in the earliest times, is the Palm Procession. The Palms are blessed and are then carried in joyful procession to church, where an entry is made with a certain amount of ceremony. The other notable and very ancient feature today is the reading of the Gospel of the Passion by three readers.

And especially important for Catholics is the Triduum (three days). On Maundy Thursday, we re-enact the Lord's Last Supper, which he

shared with His apostles on the night He was betrayed and arrested. This is one of the most beautiful liturgies of the entire liturgical year. At the Mass, the priest washes the feet of twelve people, just as Jesus did. This is also the day priests all over the world renew their sacred priestly promises, because, at the Last Supper, Jesus not only instituted the Mass but also the ministerial priesthood.

On Good Friday, the day of the crucifixion and death of our Lord, the veneration of the Cross is very moving. A service held at three o'clock in the afternoon (the hour Jesus died). All are invited to venerate the Cross with a kiss to show honour and respect for Christ's sacrifice. There is no consecration of the Eucharist on this day, so in Holy Communion we receive from the tabernacle where we watched with the Lord on Maundy Thursday.

Holy Saturday is a vigil. We keep watch for the expectant rising of Our Saviour. This day he went down into the underworld in order to bring back up with him into heaven those who had died before His coming. Up to this time, the gates to heaven were closed and no one could go there because of the original sin of Adam. Jesus changed all that. By paying the price for our sins on the Cross, he gained for us our eternal salvation, and heaven was opened once more. Also on this night, in many parishes people who have spent months of preparation will be received through Baptism and Confirmation into the Catholic Church. It is a joyous occasion.

Those who engage themselves wholeheartedly in living the entire paschal cycle (Lent, Triduum and Easter's Fifty Days) discover that it can change them forever. This is especially so of the Triduum which, standing at the heart of the Easter season, is an intense immersion in the fundamental mystery of what it is to be Christian. During these days, we suffer with Christ so that we might rise with him at His glorious Resurrection. Holy Week is a time to clear our schedules of unnecessary activities. Our minds and hearts should be fixed on Jesus and what he did for us. Let us bear the Cross so that may be worthy of wearing the crown.

Holy Week & Easter

Mon, Tue & Wed 1.05pm & 6.30pm

Maundy Thursday 6.30pm

'Could you not watch with me one hour?'

The watch will be collective and directed: we will be led through the hour thoughtfully, meditatively and prayerfully.

Good Friday 3pm

The Solemn Liturgy is one of the most ancient liturgies of the Church. Jesus died at the ninth hour, which in our modern 24 hour day and 365 day per year, is 3pm. It will be preceded by Stations at 2pm

Holy Saturday 8.30pm

The climax of the Church's year: the Vigil and first Mass of the Glorious Resurrection of Jesus

Easter Sunday 8.30am & 11am

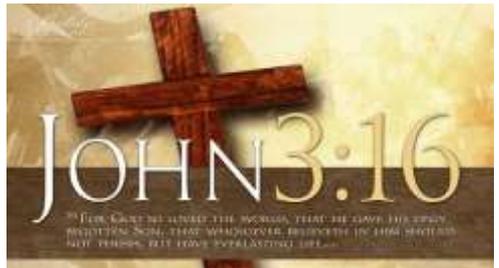
The day every Catholic should want to (not have to) be at Mass. Bring your family and friends, bring every you can find to celebrate Jesus Risen from the dead!



Confession before Easter

Mon 12.30pm, 6pm
Tue 12.30pm, 6pm
Wed 12.30pm, 8pm
Sat 10.00am.

Before or after Mass,
by appointment,
or knock the Rectory door.



“ Palm Sunday tells us
that it is the CROSS that is
the TRUE tree of LIFE
Benedict XVI ”



For the Diocese
Wednesday 11.30am
St George's Cathedral, SE1

This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
Today <i>Palm Sunday</i>	8.30am 11.00am	Wilma Lambert Parishioners
Mon 15th <i>Holy Monday</i>	1.05pm 6.30pm	Holy Souls ✕ Confessors
Tues 16th <i>Holy Tuesday</i>	1.05pm 6.30pm	Pope Benedict XVI Penitents
Wed 17th <i>Spy Wednesday</i>	1.05pm 6.30pm	Thanksgiving for birth of grandson The un-repentant
Thurs 18th <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	6.30pm	Thanksgiving
Fri 19th <i>Good Friday</i>	3.00pm	
Sat 20th <i>Holy Saturday</i>	8.30pm	In thanksgiving for our own Baptism
Next Sunday <i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>	8.30am 11.00am	All those baptised this Easter Parishioners

Next Week's Readings Acts 10:34.37-43 2 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9

Sacrament of Confession. Sunday 10.30-10.50; Mon-Fri 12.30-12.55

Evensong each Thursday 18.00 during term time.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament resumes soon each Friday till 15.00 Divine Mercy

Last week: £4,056.76 inc Standing Orders and Card payments

Safeguarding. The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Kate Pope, Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 0800 0935063

Holy Father's Intention for April. Universal: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

Ordinariate Weekly Intercession: Fr Ken Berry the Croydon Group.

For your prayers:

Those preparing to join the Church: Patricia

Those in formation for Ministry, Dn John Waters, Br Philip novOP (Jeff Gerlomes)

The Sick & Housebound: David, Dora, Jo, Geoffrey, Paula, Holly, Mary, Ada, Fr John, Wilma, Ryan, Fr Gerald

Recently Departed: Theresa McGuinness

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