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Clergy - Fr Steven Parkinson

Palm Sunday

28th March 2010



Today Sunday

Mass at 10.00am and 6.00pm

Stations of the Cross and Benediction 4.00pm

Holy Week Monday Mass at 9.00am. Service of Reconciliation 7.00pm.

Tuesday Mass at 7.00pm (Confessions from 6.00pm and after Mass).

Wednesday School Mass at 9.30am.

Easter Triduum: Maundy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper 8.00pm.

(Watching at the Altar of Repose until 10.00pm).

Good Friday Stations of the Cross 10.30am.

CTIB Walk of Witness 12Noon Christ Church, Crossley Rd.

Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion 3.00pm.

Quiet Reflection at the Foot of the Cross 7.00pm.

Holy Saturday Easter Vigil Mass at 8.00pm.(No Mass at Noon or Confessions).

"Triduum" means '3 days,' as the Hebrews counted their days, from dusk to dusk, starting from dusk on Holy Thursday to dusk on Good Friday (day 1), dusk on Good Friday to dusk on Holy Saturday (day 2), and dusk on Holy Saturday to dusk on Easter Sunday (day 3). Each day 'tells' a different part of the story of Jesus' saving action. We look at the Easter Triduum as 1 single celebration that lasts for 3 days. We cannot separate the death of Jesus from his Resurrection. We do not spend 3 days in church, but at various times during those days, we are called to church to gather and remember together.

The Triduum tells an ongoing story - try if possible to attend the services.

Maundy Thursday "I give you a new commandment: love one another just as I have loved you," says the Lord. The traditional Passover meal in the upper room should have been one of celebration, but there was a sombre mood. There was talk of the brokenness of bread and the bloodiness of wine allusions to the sacrifice Jesus was about to make, and the price he was about to pay with his own body and blood. Then to demonstrate his self sacrificing service he stoops to a menial task. Jesus ties a towel around his waist and washes the disciples' feet. This is the Christian message we are to take on board. We must learn to sacrifice our own needs and put each other first regardless of status. Jesus is asking us to love each other as he loves us. As is the tradition of the Church, the Sacraments are not celebrated from after the Mass of Maundy Thursday until the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday night.



Good Friday On this day of fasting and abstinence we commemorate the events of Jesus' suffering and death. This is a solemn day but it's a momentous day too. In hindsight we know that this is not the end. We look forward to Easter when Jesus rises from the dead and invites us to share the same destiny. Non-Christians around the world might see the Cross as an moment of failure. We celebrate it as a symbol of victory over death, seeing Divine mercy rooted there and Resurrection dawn. Given the difficult situation in the Holy Land, the Church has asked that the collection after the Celebration of the Lord's Passion be given to support the Christian Shrines and communities of Palestine.

Please note that our Eucharistic Ministers will be invited to renew their commitment on the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday 6th June.

On Easter Sunday there will be NOT be Mass at 6.00pm.

TODAY

CAFOD Please return any remaining Lenten envelopes – at the back of church, thank you.

ST BERNARD'S YOUTH TO LOURDES fundraising -Box at the back of church for paperbacks, CDs, DVD Which will be sold in aid of their fund. Many thanks.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

YOUNG AT HEART - Parish Hall Mondays 1.00pm - 3.00pm.

HOLY HOUR at the Marist Centre, Nell Lane, Monday 29 March 7.30pm – 8.30pm.

Service of Reconciliation at St. Mary's Levenshulme Tuesday 30th March at 7.30pm.

LEGION OF MARY – Parish Hall Tuesdays 7.45pm

The St.Pio Prayer group will meet at 8.00pm on Wednesday 31st March at 14, Astor Road, Burnage. Everyone is welcome.

DIVINE MERCY MEETINGS – Sacristy Thursdays 7.30pm

EASTER EGG HUNT Easter Sunday- prizes for all but a big prize for the winner. Limited tickets on sale in the Parish Hall.

HOLY ISLAND - Parish Pilgrimage led by Fr. Steven. Saturday 8th May to Sunday 9th May. Full details on the church notice board. NB 45 seats on the coach and NO SINGLE ROOMS. Contact Ann Tipper.

FUND RAISING GROUP.---DATE FOR YOUR DIARY. - Please remember to take your cuttings/plant your seeds for the **GREAT ANNUAL PLANT SALE - Sunday 23rd May 2010.** Help us to make this a great success as usual. Good gardening!

LOURDES BY COACH - Joining the Diocesan pilgrimage 29th July/8th August - no overnight driving. 1 night in Orleans - 7 nights in Lourdes - 1 night in Nevers, visiting St Bernadette and 1 night in Paris. 8 Seats remain on the coach- contact Ann Tipper on 442 5259.

OTHER NOTICES

BAPTISM - Please make initial enquiry to Fr. Steven following any Sunday Mass.

The new **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES** are ready for collection at the back of church and **APF and Mill Hill Missions (Red Boxes)** Collectors Books available in the Parish Hall.

GIFT AID If you contribute to the Parish and pay tax to the Inland Revenue on earnings, pension or savings, you can enable the Parish to reclaim money from the Inland Revenue by signing up to the Gift Aid scheme. It will not cost you anything more than the contribution you have already made but will then benefit the Parish by the tax relief that will be paid to the parish. If interested, please take one of the pink information leaflets at the back of church or see Bernard Grigaitis, the Parish Organiser. Thanks to everyone who is already on the scheme

Ministry of the Word - Mass Readers for April					
Mass		1	2	Prayers	
10.00am		George Hughes	Trevor Richards	Diane Donald	
6.00pm		Janice Banks	Joan Kane	John Press	
If you are unavailable, please arrange a stand-in or contact for 10.00am Tony Black 445 1788, for 6.00pm John Featherstone on 432 0501.					
PARISH MINISTRIES					
		Offertory	Eucharistic Ministers Sunday morning	Counting	Tea and Coffee
This week	28/03/10	11	3	1	1
Next week	04/04/10	12	4	2	2
		Eucharistic Ministers Sunday evening	Eucharistic Ministers weekdays	Cleaning	Eucharistic Ministers Tuesday evening
This week	28/03/10	3	2	4	3
Next week	04/04/10	1	3	1	4

Signed Mass cards (Sympathy and Special Intention) can be obtained from Bridie Close, 44 Shawbrook Road, during the week: On Sundays they can be obtained at the Bookstall situated at back of church, or the Piety Stall situated in parish hall. Items for the Bulletin should be either posted through the Presbytery door or emailed to anniteresa@hotmail.com please type St Bernard's (in subject line) by Thursday midday for inclusion the following Sunday. Last Sunday 1128