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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD

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It is a special liturgy, this Sunday, known as "Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion." If you were tempted to think of it as just another Mass but with a few additions, prepare to drop that assumption. **Passion Sunday is a very deep vision of the heart and soul of Christianity.**

Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion is about the following contrast, kingship of splendour/fame versus a kingship of service to others. There are two Gospel readings, and they present this dual vision.

At the Procession with Palms, which precedes the Mass, we hear a first Gospel reading that states the premise. Jesus rode as a king.

People cheered wildly and they layered palm branches on the roadway, even spreading out their own coats upon it. His foot must not touch the common roadway. He is their man. He is their king!

Then Mass begins. We hear the readings, with their contrast, followed by Matthew's story of Jesus' passion and death. The triumphal entry prepared simply the way for his bearing of our lives.

Now he was doing it, the thing he had preached about. Give yourself for others. Now he showed real kingship.

We are ready for Holy Week.

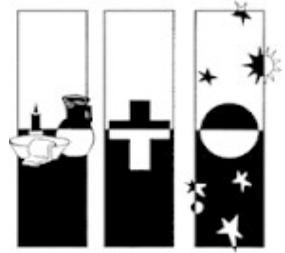
Mass Times this week

Monday 21 st March	10am 12.30pm	Monday of Holy Week
Tuesday 22 nd March	10am 12.30pm	Tuesday of Holy Week
Wednesday 23 rd March	10am 12.30pm	Wednesday of Holy Week

Rosary and Morning Prayer each day above in the church at 9.30am

CELEBRATING EASTER

The three celebrations that make up the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil) are the most important celebrations in the Church year. You are encouraged to make every effort to attend all three parts of this service.



HOLY THURSDAY: 10am Morning Prayer

7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

9pm Night prayer at the altar of repose

GOOD FRIDAY: 10am Morning Prayer

3pm The Passion of our Lord

HOLY SATURDAY: 10am Morning Prayer

9pm Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY: 10am Mass of the Resurrection

PRAY WITH OUR LORD AT THE ALTAR OF REPOSE

On Holy Thursday I encourage all parishioners to stay on after Mass at the altar of repose. Night prayer will be at 9pm this year to allow you to remain in the church with the Lord for only a short while after Mass

Prayer
A man stands tallest
when he's on his knees



CHRISM MASS AT THE CATHEDRAL ON HOLY THURSDAY

11.00 am - The Chrism Mass - celebrated by the Archbishop and clergy of the Archdiocese. The holy oils are blessed and the priests renew their commitment to service.

GOOD FRIDAY is a day of FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

The entails having only one full meal a day which is sufficient to maintain ones strength. Two other meatless meals are allowed, light and penitential. Everyone 14 years of age and older is bound to the law of abstinence, and everyone 18 years of age but not yet 60 is bound to the law of fasting. Of course, one must be mindful of his own physical condition. These physical sacrifices help each of us to be spiritually mindful that Our Lord suffered and died for our sins.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

Join with the Glasgow churches as we walk through the city centre as a public witness of the church remembering the walk of Jesus on that first Good Friday. Gather in Central Station (under the clock) 9:45 am to begin walk 10:15 am. End at the Salvation Army in Anderston 12 noon with tea & coffee.



**PARISH RECONCILIATION SERVICE
WEDNESDAY 23RD MARCH**

Fr Ross Campbell, chaplain at Glasgow University, has been designated as a Priest of Mercy by Pope Francis and in this role has kindly agreed to lead our parish reconciliation serve at 7pm on Wednesday in Holy Week. Please make a huge effort to come along and prepare yourself for the celebration of Easter.



COLLECTIONS

13th March £328.85 Lenten Alms £163.50

During Lent the **second collection** is for **Sick and Retired Priests.**
On Good Friday the collection is for Holy Places

SCIAF LENTEN APPEAL WEE BOXES TO BE RETURNED

Please return your WEE BOXES by Easter Sunday so the UK government can double your donations.

THE BIG CLEAN of the church for the celebration of Easter will take place on Wednesday 23rd March at 1.30pm. Please help if you can.

5 MORE VOLUNTEERS NEEDED for **WASHING OF FEET** on Holy Thursday please sign the sheet at the back of the church.

READERS/EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THE EASTER TRIDUUM

HOLY THURSDAY 7pm	Readings Intercessions	Sr Annette Sangeeta Francis	Chalice 1:Pauline Greig Chalice 2:Norah Casey
GOOD FRIDAY 3pm	Reading 1 Reading 2 Passion Narrator Passion Voices Intercessions	Jacqueline Byrne Luisa Campbell Pauline Greig Mary Williamson Luisa Campbell	Ciborium 1:Jean Phillips Ciborium 2:Pauline Greig Ciborium 3:Sr Annette
EASTER VIGIL 9pm	Reading 1 Reading 2 Reading 3 Reading 4	Sangeeta Francis Sr Annette Pauline Greig Jacqueline Byrne	Reading NT: Luisa Campbell Intercessions: J Byrne Chalice 1:Norah Casey Chalice 2:Helen Farrell
EASTER SUNDAY 10am	Readings Intercessions	Mary Williamson Luisa Campbell	Chalice 1:Jean Phillips Chalice 2:Eddie Hart Chalice 3:Helen Farrell

AGAP LENTFEST EXHIBITION portraying in art the Year of Mercy here in St Pat's until 27th March.

PARISH COUNCIL

Our Parish Council has unfortunately lost members through illness and death and we need to constitute a new Council. This is essential as we need representatives to attend the cluster meetings. There are some members who are in place by virtue of their office. These are:

Religious	Sr Annette
Child Protection Officer	Pauline Greig
Finance and Fabric	Luisa Campbell
Liturgy	Barry McCartan
Social Committee	Eddie Hart

We also need elected representatives. Our constitution says "There shall be five elected members of the Council, nominated by members of the Parish and elected by secret ballot of Parishioners."

The first step is **nominations**. There are nomination slips available at the back of the church. Please take one and consider who you would want to represent you on the parish council. You must ask that person's permission to nominate them. We will use the old collection box to gather nominations or you can hand them to Fr Francis. Final deadline for nominations is today.

PRAYER FOR HOLY WEEK

Lord Jesus Christ,
in this sacred and solemn week
when we see again
the depth and mystery of your redeeming love,
help us to follow where you go,
to stop where you stumblw,
to listen when you cry,
to hurt as you suffer,
to bow our heads in sorrow as you die,
so that, when you are raised to life again
we may share in your endless joy. Amen

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Recently Dead: Leona Quinn