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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 5th April 2020

**Dear Parishioners,
'Jesus is King!'**

The triumphal entry of Jesus into Jerusalem gives way to His passion and death. Yet Jesus is King and within a week 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.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

Father Dominic writes: ' Dear Parishioners, as we enter into the holiest of weeks, Father Paul, Deacon Kevin, Father Fred, Monsignor Danny and I, wish to assure you of our heartfelt prayers and remembrance at Mass, surrounded as we are by the effects of this pandemic.

Although all Holy Week Services will be privately celebrated, we know that you are finding comfort and inspiration from the live streaming of Mass and other devotions from the local Churches and further afield. As a reminder St Ambrose Barlow in Hall Green, Holy Souls Acocks Green, St George & St Teresa's in Dorridge within our deanery are live streaming, as are St Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham, and Christ the King in Coventry. Archbishop Bernard will celebrate Mass throughout this Holy Week in St Chad's. For a list of times of Services please visit their respective websites. BBC Radio 4 and local radio stations will be broadcasting a short Easter Sunday Service celebrated by the Cardinal at 08:10am on Easter Sunday morning.

In respect of Holy Week at St Augustine's Father Paul and I will celebrate privately the Services at the following times:

Monday Mass 10am

Tuesday Mass 10am

Wednesday Mass 10am

Maundy Thursday: Morning Prayer and Rosary 10am



Mass of the Lord's Supper 6.00pm. Watching before the Lord 8.00-10.00pm

Good Friday: Morning Prayer and Rosary 10am; Commemoration of the Lord's Passion 3pm
Stations of the Cross 6pm

Holy Saturday: Morning Prayer and Rosary 10am; Easter Vigil 6pm

Easter Sunday Mass 10.00am

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<p>4th April Saturday Lent Feria St Isidore</p>	<p>Ezekiel 37:21-28 John 11:45-56 Maureen Philip Halloran-RIP Eugene & Anna O'Donnell-RIP</p>	
<p>5th April PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</p> 	<p>Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Matthew 26:11-54 All People of the Parish Patricia Jones & Family-Intentions</p>	
<p>6th April Monday Of Holy Week</p>	<p>Isaiah 42:1-7 John 12:1-11 Josephine Colette McAuley-RIP Father Paul's Intentions</p>	
<p>7th April Tuesday Of Holy Week</p>	<p>Isaiah 49:1-6 John 13:21-33,36-38 Stephen Gerald Bakewell-RIP Anne-Intentions</p>	
<p>8th April Wednesday Of Holy Week</p>	<p>Isaiah 50:4-9 Matthew 26:14-25 In Thanksgiving Breed Gallagher- Intentions</p>	
<p>9th April Maundy Thursday</p>	<p>Exodus 12:1-8,11-14 1Corinthians 11:23-26 John 13:1-15 Kath Brown-RIP Frank & Mary Miller-Intentions</p>	
<p>10th April</p>  <p><i>Fast and Abstinence</i></p>		
<p>11th April Holy Saturday</p>	<p>Genesis 1:1-2:2 Genesis 22:1-18 Exodus 14:15-5:1 Romans 6:3-11 Luke 24:1-12 All People of the Parish Thomas, Catherine, Frances Ann Kelly & James Kinnard-RIP</p>	
<p>12th April Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord</p>	<p>Acts 10:34,37-43 Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-9 Kathleen Cooke- RIP Marie & Seamus Gavney- RIP</p>	

Continuation of Newsletter:

Although all of the above will be celebrated privately, it is our fervent hope that we may all be Spiritually close to one another, uniting ourselves ever more closely to our Lord in His Passion, Death and Resurrection.

The **Archbishops of England and Wales** have written to explain that we are dispensed from fulfilling our Easter duties this year because of the serious consequences of the Corona virus. Since it is not possible to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation at this time, we can receive God's forgiveness by making a sincere act of contrition, trusting unreservedly in the mercy of God.

Your prayers are asked for Michelle Gardner, Derek Cox and Sarah Davies who are being instructed in the Faith, to be received in to Full Communion.

It is appreciated that it may be difficult for Parishioners to make donations to the Parish in these uncertain times. For those who are still able to donate there are Standing Order and Gift Aid Forms available on the Archdiocesan website. For further information and support please contact the Parish on: 0121 705 0228 or please visit- www.staugustinesolihull.org.uk

Holy See grants indulgence to coronavirus patients and Catholics who pray for them: see website:

<https://catholicherald.co.uk/holy-see-grants-indulgence-to-coronavirus-patients-and-catholics-who-pray-for-them/>

MARRIAGE MATTERS (www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk) Palm Sunday (Isaiah 50:4-7 Philippians 2:6-11 Matthew 26:14-27, 66) Challenged when we witness how others love

St Paul recognises the amazing humility of Jesus who accepts death on the cross out of love for God and us. We wonder and are challenged by the joy of a friend who daily visits his wife who has dementia; in his great love he feeds her, puts her to bed each evening, prays with her. Could we love like this

CATHOLIC HERALD AND MAGNIFICAT As there will be no public Masses for an indefinite period and an increasing number of people are self-isolating. To help them follow the Mass, daily prayers, reading, etc. at home, and also keep up with the weekly church news we are offering free access to Magnificat online, and for those who would like the Print Edition there is a special one-off 4-month subscription to Magnificat and/or a 3-month subscription to The Catholic Herald at substantially discounted and affordable prices to ensure that the maximum number of people can take advantage. You can only be ordered by telephoning Margaret on 020 7448 3607 or Paul on 020 7448 3618 between 9.30am and 5pm Monday to Friday. Below are special prices to help people over this difficult period and orders will need to be placed before Easter: Magnificat 4 months April to July (including the Holy Week special issue) for £14 Catholic Herald 3 months (13 weeks) for £25 Both Catholic Herald and Magnificat (as above) £36 For free access to Magnificat online, log in at www.magnificat.com/free

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Permanent – 13 hours per week Job Title Housekeeping Assistant

Place of work: St. Columban's, Widney Manor Road, Solihull B93 9AB Salary range £10 per hour

Hours: 9.30am to 12.30pm on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday 9.00am to 1.00pm on Wednesday

For more information and to apply please email Fr Jim Fleming on jimfleming@yahoo.co.uk or visit

www.columbans.co.uk **Deadline for applications: Friday 17 April**

Readers this week

SUNDAY

9.00am

11.00am

Eucharistic Ministers this week

SUNDAY

9.00am

11.00am

Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish:

Keith Frettsome	Martin Yates	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy	Ann O'Sullivan	
Joan Kennedy	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Sue Hodrien
Trevor Windle	Colette Hicky	Danny Meadows	Kathleen Beale	Martha Sheridan	
Neil Robberds					

Dear Guardian Angel, go for me to the church, there kneel down at Mass for me. At the Offertory, take me to God, and offer Him my service: What I am, what I have, offer as my gift. At the Consecration, with your seraphic strength, adore my Saviour truly present, praying for those who have loved me, for those who have offended me, and for those now deceased, that the blood of Jesus may purify them all. During Holy Communion, bring to me the Body and Blood of Jesus uniting Him with me in spirit, so that my heart may become His dwelling place. Plead with Him, that through His sacrifice all people throughout the world may be saved. When the Mass ends, bring home to me and to every home, the Lord's blessing. Amen.



Act of Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Please pray for: Stephen Gerald Bakewell (Robin Hood Crematorium 7th April, 11am) Kath Brown (Robin Hood Crematorium 9th April 11.30am), Philomena Mullins (Robin Hood 15th April 12 noon) and Jackie Powers, David Marks, Evelyn McDermott, William Egan, Alexander Anthony Clark, Carol Anne O'Connor who died recently. Also Julia Mahoney, Margaret Teeling, Allen (Angelina) Petrucco, Josephine McAuley, Angela Mary D'Arcy, Raymond Charles Hughes, Edda Norton, Hannah Mulcahy, Janet Cronin, Gladys Winifred Campbell, and all with anniversaries at this time.

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