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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER LITURGIES

Sunday, 05.04.20

9:00 am

Palm Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord

Mass: Thanksgiving for the Belano Family

Monday, 06.04.20

9:00 am

Monday of Holy Week

Mass: Philip Shelton and Liam Seymour RIP

Tuesday, 07.04.20

9:00 am

Tuesday of Holy Week

Mass: Parishioners

Wednesday, 08.04.20

9:00 am

Wednesday of Holy Week

Mass: For all people of the world



Thursday, 09.04.20

6:00 pm

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper: Irene Corr RIP

Friday, 10.04.20

3:00 pm

Good Friday *Day of fasting and abstinence*

Liturgy of the Lord's Passion



Saturday, 11.04.20

8:30 pm

Holy Saturday

Easter Vigil: Kitty, Eileen & Red Johny Purcell and baby Kitty

Sunday, 12.04.20 Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

9:00 am

Mass: Thomas RIP

ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION:



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.

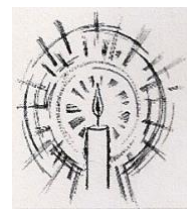
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul.

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 ALL THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND: Violet Griffin, Patricia Padley, Peter Cullis, Malcolm & Barbara Harris, Sally McNulty, Jack Byrne, Catherine Finnegan, Doris McShane, Fergus Fallon, Gerry Simpson, Michael Lockett, Obed, Charito, Melchor, Darcy Jamandri, Norma and Marivic Orenca. *Names may be added to this list only with the specific permission of the infirm person for whom prayers are requested.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR IN APRIL (part 1): Desmond Hannon, Agnes Wright, Paul Johnston, Janos Neuhauser, George Walker, Sarah Magee, Edda Szyman, Henry Passmore, Sydney Lingard, Richard Wootton, Elizabeth Whitehall, Bridget McDonagh, Jan Csiza, Frank Vass, John Witton, Michael Leonard, John Delmar.

PLEASE REMEMBER in your prayers and all those who have been infected with Covid-19 at this difficult time. Also, please continue to keep in your prayers all those working in the NHS and other key areas. Please take good care of yourselves so that you are able to care for others.

MASS INTENTIONS Fr. Dawid will say Masses in the chapel for all the booked Mass intentions. If anyone wishes to book a new intention, please write the purpose of the intention along with your name and contact details and either a cheque made payable to THE PAULINE FATHERS WOLVERHAMPTON or cash, enclosed in a sealed envelope. For safety, please put cash intentions, personally, through the letter box at the Presbytery. Cheques may be safely sent through the post.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Anyone in need of the Sacrament and can get to SS. Mary & John's is asked to call 07857 462527 and make arrangements with Fr Dawid.

LIVE STREAMED MASSES For all parishioners able to access the internet and wish to join in a live streamed Mass, many opportunities can be found at <https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/parishes-online>. If you know parishioners who do not have access to the internet but have Sky television, Masses can be found on EWTN Catholic Channel – Sky channel 588. There are many online resources where you can follow the Holy Mass and the readings for the day if you do not possess a Missal of your own or a copy of Magnificat magazine, or My Day by Day, perhaps www.universalis.com is among the best. When it comes to the time of Holy Communion, we should unite ourselves with Our Lord by making an Act of Spiritual Communion.

MAGNIFICAT is now offering complimentary access to its iOS and Android Apps throughout May; to register for free access in English, visit www.magnificat.com/free.

FINANCIAL/MATERIAL CONCERNS Some Parishioners have mentioned the question of Offertory Collections at the present time: despite the temporary suspension of the Sunday Mass obligation and the public celebration of Holy Mass, bills still need to be paid, the buildings still need maintenance. We depend entirely on donations. Please continue, if you can, to fill in your weekly Offertory envelopes and bringing them to the Presbytery (place them through the letterbox) from time to time at your convenience. However, a much safer and more convenient way to make your offerings to the church is by **Standing Order** – if you already have a form, then you can fill in your details, put the form through the presbytery letterbox, and the Parish can “do the rest”, and if you do not have a form, please download it from the diocesan website (<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/pages/FAQS/category/finance-resources>), print it and fill in the relevant parts and return to the Presbytery. You may wish to contact the Presbytery by phone, and ask for the account number and sort code and you can then send the form directly to the bank. Please remember, you do not need to be a tax payer to make your offerings by Standing Order. Thank you very much!

A MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP BERNARD “As Pope Francis reminded us recently, the Lord is with us in our storm tossed boat and the glory of His Resurrection will shine through this crisis.

HOLY WEEK & EASTER It is hoped that Watching on Holy Thursday night will be live-streamed until Midnight from St. Chad's Cathedral and this will be a focus of prayer for all Catholics in England and Wales who are able to watch <https://www.stchadscathedral.org.uk/>

DISPENSATION FROM EASTER DUTIES You will be aware of Easter Duties; that is to receive Holy Communion during the Easter Season and by custom, to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation beforehand. The Code of Canon Law (CIC 920) says each of the faithful is obliged to receive Holy Communion at least once a year. This precept must be fulfilled during the Easter season unless it is fulfilled for a just cause at another time during the year. The requirement for the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation comes from the need to be in a state of grace to receive Holy Communion (CIC 916). Since it is not possible for the faithful to receive Holy Communion at this time, and into the future, the Bishops of England and Wales have dispensed the Easter Duties for the year 2020.

The Bishops have asked that **all should make a Perfect Act of Contrition** at this time. Perfect contrition is true and real sorrow for our sins which is created when we realise the immense love of God for each one of us. We express this contrition when we realise how we offend God by our sinful words, deeds and omissions in contrast to the immeasurable love and mercy that He continually shows us. This requires us to be contrite of heart for what we have done, know and be overwhelmed by the love and mercy of God for His children and to approach this grace with humility and resolution not to sin again.

AN ACT OF CONTRITION

My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.



These are trying days for everyone. We pray for the most vulnerable, for those who will lose their lives to this terrible epidemic and those who mourn. We pray for our courageous health workers that they remain safe. Let us pray also for ourselves that we may support one another and guide each other, prayerfully and full of hope, through this crisis.

Yours devotedly in Christ, Bernard Longley, + Archbishop of Birmingham.”