

CTW REP: We say thank you to Mel Noronha who was our CTW rep. Mel has stepped down and we are looking for a replacement. If you are interested in this and would like to know more about CTW then please email the parish office.

CHURCH DISPLAY: Thanks to Pia, Margaret Armstead and Mary Dodd this week for creating our wonderful Palm Sunday flower arrangements. For those of you who will not be in Mass today, here's what it looks like!

Church Foyer



GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.

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Adoration
Suspended

Confessions
Suspended

Tea/Coffee
Suspended

Priest's Mass Intentions
Please complete one of the special envelopes and arrange with the office

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO, WOODLEY

Sunday 28th March 2021

PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord Year B



MASS / SERVICE TIMES:

- 10am TODAY
PALM SUNDAY



- 7pm Maundy Thursday
- 3pm Good Friday
(Day of fast & abstinence)
- 7pm Easter Vigil
- 10am EASTER SUNDAY

MASS / SERVICE BOOKINGS
ESSENTIAL



PALM SUNDAY CHANGES:
The Bishops' Conference have issued extra Covid Rules. **We are all obliged to adhere to them.** This means:

- ⇒ No Procession - *The Solemn or Simple Entrance to be used;*
- ⇒ Short Passion reading (*No congregation participation*);
- ⇒ palms to be taken, after Mass, as you leave the church

MAUNDY THURSDAY 7PM - CELEBRATING THE LORD'S SUPPER: Again there are changes this year:

- ⇒ The washing of the feet is not permitted;
- ⇒ There is no procession to the Altar of Repose;
- ⇒ *Watching* in lieu of the Altar of Repose is not possible this year.

ALL MASSES LIVESTREAMED

ST. JOHN BOSCO LIVESTREAM:
<https://youtu.be/Phx4EokRrck>

Today's Psalm Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

St John Bosco Parish is a vibrant worshipping community in the heart of Woodley. We are committed to serve, to grow, to connect and to give.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY, THURS, FRI & SAT MASS PUBLIC AND LIVE-STREAMED

TODAY	PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord		10.00AM	Paul Gualtieri +
Mon 29	Of Holy Week			No Mass
Tues 30	Of Holy Week		Not public	Sr. Joseph - belated Feast day
Wed 31	Of Holy Week		Not public	Fr. Blaise Coelho + & Sr. Monica Coelho+
Thurs 01	MAUNDY THURSDAY		7.00PM	Sam Ratnatinga +
Fri 02	GOOD FRIDAY Day of fast & abstinence		3.00PM	
Sat 03	EASTER VIGIL		7.00PM	Alphonsus +
APRIL 04	EASTER SUNDAY		10.00AM	Bruce Bentley +

GOOD FRIDAY 3PM - CELEBRATING THE LORD'S PASSION:
Difference this year:



- ⇒ Long Passion reading (*but no congregation participation*);
- ⇒ Extra intercession for the afflicted in time of Pandemic;
- ⇒ No procession of the Cross;
- ⇒ Adoration of the Cross - second form for showing;
- ⇒ Veneration of the Cross limited to celebrant, however, parishioners will venerate the Cross as a group (in your places), after Fr. Bill

No Stations of the Cross on Good Friday, however, consider -



STATIONS OF THE CROSS ONLINE

Here is a very good example:

<https://youtu.be/Zo4ZxbpDiEc>

EASTER VIGIL 7PM: The changes this year:



- ⇒ No Fire or Blessing of the Pascal candle. The candle will prepared beforehand;
- ⇒ Shorter set of readings;
- ⇒ No candles or sprinkling at Renewal of Baptismal Promises.

EASTER SUNDAY 10AM:



- ⇒ No candles or sprinkling at Renewal of Baptismal Promises.

TICKETS: 50 AVAILABLE at each Holy Week Mass. Please book your tickets via our website - Eventbrite tickets. If you have any difficulty please call the office. Please remember, **only book the tickets if you know for certain that you are going to attend..** However, if there is a last minute change due to unforeseen circumstances, please log

back onto the Eventbrite ticket page (through our website) and cancel your ticket. MANY THANKS.

COLLECTIONS: As usual at Easter time, the **mandatory Good Friday collection is for the Holy Land.** Donations to this can be made on through our website or use the link below:

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/good-friday-collection-for-christians-in-the-holy-land>

EASTER OFFERING: The collection on Easter Sunday forms a large percentage of a priest's annual income. Please do consider making a donation through our parish website. Similar to the Clergy Christmas Collection, **there is a separate clergy collection donate button set up for this purpose.** This will only be available until two weeks after Easter.

If you are a UK taxpayer, and donating via these methods then please consider select gift aid also. This increases any donation by 25%.

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NO PUBLIC MASS WEDNESDAY 31ST: John Mason's Funeral Service at 10.30am Easthampstead Park. Please keep him and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace +.

TEN MINUTES-A-DAY RETREAT: This online retreat continues until Sunday 11th April. A new picture, music video, short prayer and scripture passage daily throughout Lent and Easter. <https://www.onlineprayer.net/knowning-jesus->

CHURCHES TOGETHER IN WOODLEY: In lieu of the Walk of Witness to the precinct, and the Good Friday service usually held there, CTW are offering an online Service at 11.00am on their Facebook LIVE@woodleychurchestogether and video available to view after. This will include prayer, readings from all the churches, Good Friday message, reflection and songs.



CTW EASTER EGG HUNT: This begins today, Palm Sunday, and continues until Sunday 11th April. For more details and to sign up for the hunt email sarah@stjohn-woodley.com



PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially: Ellen Morganti, June Bremner-Tse, Gerry Houlton, Sr. Joseph, Patsy Gill, Chris Fido, Thelma McCarthy, Mimi Peat, Mary Knox, Anne Evans and Ken Murphy.

Also, for all the faithful departed, especially those in our *Book of Remembrance* for this month: Peter O'Rourke, Louis Martin, Stefan Niedzwiedzki, Charles Hayes, Elizabeth Jones, Nic Morganti, Mike O'Rourke, Teresa Niedzwiedzka, George Young, Carol Soden, Lesley Wapshott, Frank Dodd, Gerry Whelan, Anne Burke, Marian Wojtaszek, Halina Papowszek, Alan Michael Fitzgerald, and John Bond. May they rest in peace.