

# **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN: LOVES EXPENSE**

**All lovers come at last to Gethsemane,  
And wait there for the outcome of their loving.  
Loving itself is a beginning,  
An Invitation,  
An offering.**

**Love does not compel but can only wait,  
and the intensity of the waiting is the measure of the loving.  
And to wait no longer is to cease to love.**

**The robe of royal purple in which he is dressed by the soldiers  
does not fit.**

**It is too large: it is not his own.**

**But it is not the mocking soldiery alone who dress Him in ill-  
fitting robes of earthly power:**

**So also in art and imagination, do some of those who believe in  
Him.**

**Because they believe in the primacy of power,  
they attribute to Him the trappings of power  
and adorn Him with its symbols:**

**Then, while showing respect to Him, they can continue to  
worship power**

**and take pride and satisfaction in their own power.**

**But the robe which belongs to him**

**His own robe**

**Is that 'dying crimson' which**

**like a robe spreads o'er His Body on the Tree.**

**It is the robe of a life poured out,**

**Of power expended,**

**Of self-given in love.**

**It is the wearer of this robe**

**That we must learn to worship.**

**W H Vanstone, 'Icons of the Passion'**



## MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

### PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

*(Psalter Week 2)*

Sat 12 <sup>th</sup>	6.00pm	Vigil Mass	Queenie Breadmore†
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Private Intention
	10.30am	Mass	Eileen & Reg Keep
	3.00pm	Reconciliation Service	Immaculate Conception Sandhurst
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS		
Tue 15 <sup>th</sup>	NO MASS		
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	11.00am	Requiem Mass	George Brophy†

### HOLY THURSDAY – MASS OF OUR LORD’S SUPPER

Thu 17 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Mass of the Lord’s Supper	Our Bishop and Priests of our Diocese
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### GOOD FRIDAY (Day of Fasting & Abstinence)

Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	3.00pm	Solemn Liturgy of Our Lord’s Passion	
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### HOLY SATURDAY

Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Easter Vigil Mass	RCIA Group
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### EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Easter Vigil Mass	RCIA Group
Sun 20 <sup>th</sup>	8.30am	Mass	Louise Grey†
	10.30am	Mass	Those just received into the Church

**Parish of Saint Joseph and Saint Margaret Clitherow**  
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# PARISH NEWS

## SERVICES FOR HOLY WEEK

### HOLY THURSDAY – MASS OF OUR LORD’S SUPPER

7.30pm

Mass of the Lord’s Supper  
Priests of our  
Diocese

### GOOD FRIDAY (Day of Fasting & Abstinence)

3.00pm

Solemn Liturgy of Our Lord’s  
Passion

### HOLY SATURDAY

8.00pm

Easter Vigil Mass

### EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

8.30am

Mass

10.30am

Mass

**PLEASE PRAY** - For the repose of the soul of George Brophy†, who’s Requiem Mass will be held on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> April at 11.00am. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

**BISHOP PHILIP’S LENT CATECHESIS** – Palm Sunday – Bishop Philip reflects on the Passion of Our Lord. Online catechesis is offered each week to help you take a spiritual pilgrimage with Christ this Lent. The video is available on [www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk](http://www.portsmouthdiocese.org.uk) each Monday which includes the Gospel for the coming Sunday, followed by Bishop Philip’s catechesis.

**EWTN LENT REFLECTIONS - Bishop Philip & Priests of the Diocese** If you missed these Lenten reflections, you can now view them at [www.ewtn.co.uk/lent-2014](http://www.ewtn.co.uk/lent-2014).

**THE WAY OF THE CROSS** - We are hoping to do The Way of the Cross for the children during the 10.30 mass on 13th April. We will be taking the children around the garden, weather permitting and so we ask that all children 5 and under be accompanied by a parent. The children, with their palms, will line the aisle during the Gospel at the beginning of mass and will then process out to the garden.

**Please pray for the aged, sick, housebound and hospitalised of our community and for those who care for them.**

“Take care of God's creation. But above all, take care of people in need” Pope Francis

**If you know of anyone who is sick, in hospital or housebound and unable to get to Mass, or just needing a priest, please tell Fr. Danny or contact the Parish Office**

**LET'S CELEBRATE!** You are warmly invited to a little celebration in the hall after the Easter Vigil to celebrate the start of our Easter season and to welcome into our community those received into the Church during the Vigil.

**THE BLESSED JOHN PAUL II PILGRIMAGE** - This is a 50 mile walk from Bury St Edmunds to Walsingham happening every summer since 2006, led by the Dominican Sisters from Sway. The intention of the pilgrimage is the New Evangelisation of England and Wales. This year, the walk is happening from 7th-10th August (Thursday to Sunday) 2014. The pilgrims meet on the Thursday for an opening Mass on the ground of Bury St Edmunds Abbey ruins. The walk to Walsingham takes 3 days: 20 miles on Friday and Saturday and 10 miles on Sunday. It is open to everyone who is willing and able to walk. Accommodation is on the floor in halls. We have a group of pilgrims of various ages; including families - from 30 and 60 people join us every year. The cost is £55 each - £45 a head for families. It includes everything (food and lodging) from Bury St Edmunds to Walsingham. All welcome! For more info, contact Sr Hyacinthe, OP: [sister.hyacinthe@googlemail.com](mailto:sister.hyacinthe@googlemail.com)

**SUMMER ACOMMODATION IN LONDON** - Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offer comfortable rooms in central London in July and August. Beautiful gardens and chapel. Rooms from £50 per night (including breakfast). Website : [www.allenhall.org.uk](http://www.allenhall.org.uk) Email : [allenhall@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:allenhall@rcdow.org.uk) Telephone : 020 7349 5600 (option 0)

**ENVELOPES** – Please collect your Envelopes from the Porch

**GIFT AID** – We have just moved into a new tax year. If you are a UK Tax Payer and part of the Gift Aid scheme we would gain an extra 25% of your donations. For example, if you look below at the loose offering; imagine if we got an extra 25% per week that would amount to an extra £9,000 per year. There is no catch and just 1 form to complete. Please contact Peter Hancock on 01344 412506.

**TEAS AND COFFEES AFTER MASS** - Young people/Family groups, please let us know if you would like to sign up to serve teas and coffees, particularly after 6pm Mass.

**THE LONDON MARATHON** - Is on 13<sup>th</sup> April 2014 Guy Shore (son-in-law to June and John Ellerton from the parish) is running the marathon in memory of his father who lost his fight against cancer 15 months ago. His chosen charity is Macmillan as they were a huge support to his family. His 'just giving page' can be found at [www.justgiving.com/Guy-Shore](http://www.justgiving.com/Guy-Shore) where donations can be made.

**SPONSORED WALK** - I am walking 20k on the South Downs with 2 friends on the 10th May, for the Alzheimer's Society. Please go to the following link if you wish to sponsor me [www.justgiving.com/team-endeavour](http://www.justgiving.com/team-endeavour) (without the a). Thank you so much for your support. Theresa McDougall

**PORTSMOUTH PEOPLE** – Please collect your **FREE** copy of the Portsmouth People from the Porch.

***JUST TO SAY  
THANK YOU TO***

***Ken for redecorating  
our Hall so beautifully***

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS**

**Envelopes £288.06**

**Loose Plate £498.38**

**Cheques - £33.00**

**Total £819.44 - Thank You**

**LENTEN PROJECT £209.76– Thank You**

**PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO  
PRCDTR Bracknell St Joseph**