

Sunday 29th March 2026

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Saturday 28 March Lent Feria	Ezekiel 37: 21-28; John 11: 45-57 10am David Lincoln RIP 6pm Fr Domenico Vitulli Wellbeing
Sunday 29 March Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord	Isaiah 50: 4-7; Philippians 2: 6-11; Matthew 26: 14—27: 66 10am Graham Read RIP 5:30pm People of the Parish
Monday 30 March Monday of Holy Week	Isaiah 42: 1-7; John 12: 1-11 NO MASS
Tuesday 31 March Tuesday of Holy Week	Isaiah 49: 1-6; John 13: 21-33, 36-38 NO MASS
Wednesday 1 April Wednesday of Holy Week	Isaiah 50: 4-9a; Matthew 26: 14-25 10.00am Miguel Paulo Fernandes RIP
Thursday 2 April Thursday of Holy Week Mass of the Lord's Supper with Watching before the Lord until 10.00pm	Exodus 12: 1-8, 11-14; I Corinthians 11: 23-26; John 13: 1-5 NO 10.00AM MASS 7.00 Louis Francois Ghibaut RIP
Friday 3 April Friday of the Passion of the Lord 6.00pm Stations of the Cross	Isaiah 52:13—53: 12; Hebrews 4: 14-16; 5: 7-9; John 18: 1—19: 42 3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Passion of the Lord 6pm Stations of the Cross
Saturday 4 April Holy Saturday	The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night 8.00pm People of the Parish
Sunday 5 April Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord	Acts 10: 34a, 37-43; Colossians 3: 1-4; John 20: 1-9 10am Deceased Members of the Blades Family THERE IS NO 5.30AM MASS

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE SICK INCLUDING:

Jaime Molina, Jennifer Kirwin, Fr. David, Michael Hoskins, Colin Smitherman, Bernadette Marchetti, Nigel Pell, Victoria Monaco, Callum Jamieson, Tom Bailey, Jenny Schlegel, Bibiana Young, Gerard Briffa, Jason Moreno and John Tarling.

Please pray for all those who have died recently especially Nkiruka Elliot.

Rest eternal grant unto them, O Lord and let light perpetual shine upon them

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PALM SUNDAY (A)



The Body of the Dead Christ in the Tomb (1521-1522)

Hans Holbein the Younger (1497/1498-1543)

We normally associate the work of Hans Holbein the Younger with the court of Henry VIII: his colourful portraits of the king, the king's wives and a number of the courtiers. Yet Holbein was also a painter of sacred images; of these, this particular painting has to be the most striking. It greatly influenced the nineteenth-century Russian writer Fyodor Dostoevsky. In his novel *The Idiot* one of the characters comments on the painting saying, "The people who surrounded the dead man, not one of whom is shown in the picture, must have felt a terrible anguish and confusion on that evening, which had shattered all their hopes and almost their entire belief at one fell blow. They must have dispersed in a state of dreadful fear, though each of them also carried away within him one mighty thought which could never now be wrested from them." (*The Idiot* Oxford World's Classics p.598) There have been numerous interpretations of Dostoevsky's words, but for me they and Holbein's painting convey the true horror of what occurred on Good Friday, the Friday of the Passion of the Lord. In 2026 we are so used to seeing crosses and crucifixes that it is easy to forget the sheer dreadfulness of what happened at "a place called Golgotha (which means Place of a Skull)..." (Matthew 27:33). Jesus Christ, the Son of the Father and the Son of Mary, totally divine and totally human, died on the cross. Holbein's painting shows that nature was doing its work with the body laid in the tomb: it was decaying. Christ suffered the fate of dead men and women the world over. Yet it was not to be the end of the story: three days later, in the quiet of the Easter Garden, Jesus rose from the dead. Not one human being witnessed this event: only God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, was present. Humanity was not needed, as we were not needed at the Creation; but just as God gave us life through the Creation, so also he gives us new life through the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Christ.

Baptisms/Marriages by appointment only. Please see Fr. Philip
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PARISH NEWS

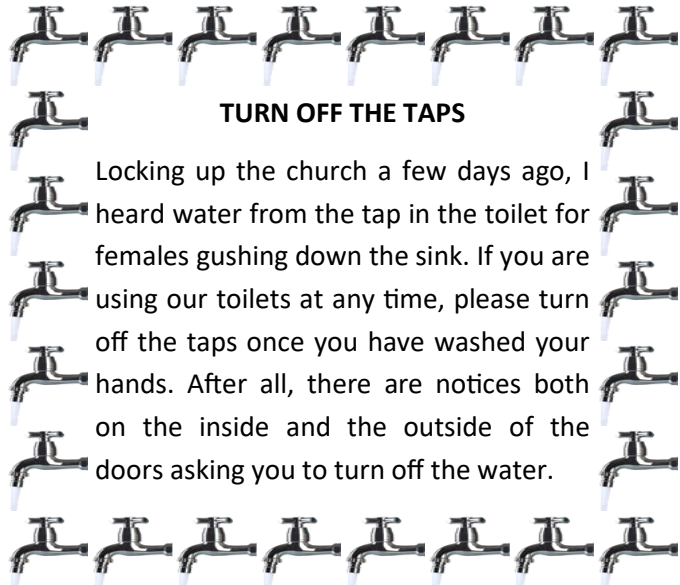


EASTER FAYRE LAST SUNDAY

Thanks to all who helped with thee Easter Fayre and all those who came and helped the event be such a success. £670 was raised.

Donations Please

Our parishioner, Louise Brown, will be running her first marathon in April - London 2026 to raise money for Nerve Tumours UK in support of another parishioner who was diagnosed with NF1. If you can support Louise, please visit... https://www.justgiving.com/page/louise-brown-3?nth_donation



TURN OFF THE TAPS

Locking up the church a few days ago, I heard water from the tap in the toilet for females gushing down the sink. If you are using our toilets at any time, please turn off the taps once you have washed your hands. After all, there are notices both on the inside and the outside of the doors asking you to turn off the water.



CHILDREN'S WAY OF THE CROSS

10.00AM GOOD FRIDAY 3 APRIL 2026

There will be a special Children's Stations of the Cross in the church at 10.00AM on Good Friday, 3 April 2026.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS—4.00PM
SUNDAYS OF LENT

During Lent there will be Stations of the Cross at 4.00PM on Sundays.

Parish Hall—Bookings

If you are planning an event and would like to use the Parish Hall, bookings can be made by emailing bookingsolsp@gmail.com

GIFT AID SCHEME

If you are a taxpayer, for every £1 you give to the parish, we can get another 25p.

Please speak to: John O' Reilly 07977 538671.

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EASTER TRIDUUM TIMES

Maundy Thursday 2 April 2026

7.00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper, followed by Watching before the Lord until 10.00PM.

Good Friday 3 April 2026

10.00am Children's Stations of the Cross
3.00PM Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion.
6.00PM Stations of the Cross.

Holy Saturday 4 April 2026

11.00AM—12.00NOON Confessions.
8.00PM The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night.

Easter Sunday 5 April 2026

Mass at 10.00AM.

THERE IS NO EVENING MASS

READERS REQUIRED

We need readers for the Masses of Palm Sunday on Saturday and Sunday 28-29 March (6.00PM Vigil Mass, 10.00AM Mass, and 5.30PM Mass); the Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper at 7.00PM on Thursday 2 April; the Good Friday Passion of the Lord at 3.00PM on Friday 3 April; the Easter Vigil at 8.00PM on Saturday 4 April; and the Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord at 10.00AM on Sunday 5 April. If you are a reader in our parish, please sign one of the forms in the porch of the church.

GIFT AID BOXES

Would Gift Aid Donors by envelope please collect their new envelopes from the back of the church.
If you are a tax payer and aren't Gift Aiding your donations please consider signing up for the Gift Aid scheme as it brings in valuable extra revenue for the parish.

Teas/Coffees after 10am Mass

There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 10am Mass on Sunday

THE WINNERS OF 29th March 200 CLUB

1	52	Eileen Duggan
2	33	Mary Keevil-Hill

Volunteers Needed – Children's Liturgy for Sunday 10am mass

We are launching a new Children's Liturgy at the **Sunday 10am mass** during term time for children in Key Stage 1 and below. From the start of Mass until the Offertory, children will take part in a short, child-focused session based on the Gospel of the day. The session will last about **20 minutes**.

We need at **least four volunteers** to make this happen and ensure the sessions can run smoothly.

If you are interested in helping or would like more information, please get in touch with

Ania on 07851934997

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