

# ST CATHERINE OF SIENA CATHOLIC CHURCH

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WEEKLY PARISH NEWSLETTER SUNDAY 13 APRIL 2025

## SACRAMENT OF THE EUCHARIST - MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

### SUNDAY 13 APRIL 2025 – PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (C,1)

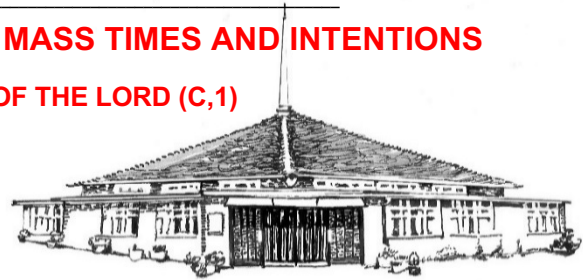
8.00 am Mass: *Rita Aguiar RIP*  
**Confessions** – 9.15 am to 9.45 am  
10.00 am Mass: *For the People of the Parish*  
5.15 pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
6.00 pm Mass: *Jackie Woolliscroft RIP – Birthday*

**Mon 14<sup>th</sup>** **Monday of Holy Week**  
11.30 am Rosary  
12.00 pm Mass: *Wellbeing of the Parfitt Family*  
**Tues 15<sup>th</sup>** **Tuesday of Holy Week**  
11.30 am Rosary  
12.00 pm Mass: *Fr Stephen Haylett and all former Clergy of St Catherine of Siena*

Wed 16<sup>th</sup> **NO MASS TODAY**  
**Thurs 17<sup>th</sup>** **MAUNDY THURSDAY**

8.00 pm Mass: *Rita Aguiar RIP – 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary*  
**Fri 18<sup>th</sup>** **GOOD FRIDAY**  
9.30 am **Walk of Witness - see over for details**  
3.00 pm **Service for Good Friday**  
7.30 pm **Stations of the Cross**

**Sat 19<sup>th</sup>** **HOLY SATURDAY VIGIL MASS OF THE LORD'S RESURRECTION**  
8.00 pm Mass: *For new Catholics*  
**SUNDAY 20 APRIL 2025 EASTER SUNDAY (C,1)**  
9.00am Mass: *For all who help in the parish*  
**Confessions** – 9.15 am to 9.45 am  
11.00 am Mass: *For the People of the Parish*  
**NO EVENING MASS**



#### Weekly Offertory 6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

**£1,001.81** (£376.50 Gift Aided envelopes, £175 Gift Aided standing orders, £103 Gift Aided Contactless, £15 non Gift Aided Contactless and £332.31 cash).

#### On Good Friday: a collection for the Holy Places

##### YOUR EASTER OFFERING TO THE PARISH PRIEST

Your Easter Offering is your personal gift to your priest. Easter Offering envelopes are available from the church lobby or if you are a member of the Gift Aid scheme please use the Easter Offering envelope from your box so that we can claim Gift Aid for the parish. You can also make donations by card.

**The Parish Office** is normally open on Mon, Tues, Thurs and Fri from **10am until 12noon**. All Parish Hall bookings should be made during these times.

**Mass Intentions** Complete a brown Mass Intention Envelope (please do write clearly). For Anniversary Masses, with a particular date, please give at least **eight weeks' notice to avoid disappointment**.

**Kingston Hospital** If you are admitted to hospital, it is your responsibility to inform the ward staff if you would like to see the Catholic Chaplain. If you are calling on behalf of a patient in the Hospital please call the Hospital Main Switchboard on 020 8546 7711 who will contact the Chaplain.

Readers 13<sup>th</sup> Apr 8am: Palm Sunday Volunteers  
Readers 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 8am: Easter Sunday Volunteers  
Counters 13<sup>th</sup> Apr Karen and Peter

10am: Palm Sunday Volunteers  
10am: Easter Sunday Volunteers  
Cleaners w/c 14<sup>th</sup> Apr

6pm: Palm Sunday Volunteers  
6pm: Easter Sunday Volunteers  
Aurea's Group

### TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION WE MUST LIVE THE SACRAMENTAL LIFE - BE A PRACTISING CATHOLIC

**Sacrament of Baptism** – please speak to Fr Peter before fixing a baptismal date and reception venue.

**Sacrament of the Eucharist** – see above, Mass times

**Sacrament of Reconciliation and Penance**

**CONFESSIONS:** Sundays 9.15am-9.45am and after weekday Mass or by appointment.

**Sacrament of Confirmation** – annual course for baptised young Catholics – please apply to Fr Peter

**Sacrament of Marriage** – please speak to Fr Peter at least six months before the proposed wedding date.

**Sacrament of Healing** – It is our duty to call a priest to anoint family members in failing health. Don't leave it to the last minute. It brings consolation to the dying as well as healing to the sick, including those suffering from mental illness and dementia. It can be administered at church, in hospital, care home, at home, indeed anywhere. Also, do make sure you are anointed before an operation under a general anaesthetic.

**Sacrament of Ordination and consecration** to the sacred Priesthood and Religious life – please speak to Fr Peter.

#### CONFESSIONS DURING HOLY WEEK

After the 9.30 am Mass on Monday and Tuesday  
Maundy Thursday 6.30- 7pm Good Friday 7-7.30 pm  
Holy Saturday 10 am – 11am and by appointment

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

especially Cindy Albright, Sally Baker, Patrick Beglane, Joyce Crooks, Tyler Curniffe, Louise Dovey, Delia Gallagher, Eileen Gathercole, Marie Gilbert & Family, Paul Jarvis, David Jordan, Solomon Justin, Georgia Kelly, Paul Kwan, Teresa McDonald, Sally McKenna, Pauline Murphy, Ryan O'Loughlin, Mark Peace, Jean Penycate, Kathy Richardson, Debbie Ruberg-Smith, Chloe Sheead, Mary Sheehan, Dharmatotee Soodin, Anne Srivastava, Terry Turner and residents of Amy Woodgate Home.

#### LECTIO DIVINA

Meditation on Holy Week Scripture  
After the 10 am Palm Sunday Mass  
and At 8 pm on Tuesday of Holy Week

#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Palm Sunday at 5.15 pm  
Good Friday at 7.30 pm

# THIS IS HOLY WEEK CHRIST OUR REDEEMER

THE MOST IMPORTANT AND THOUGHT-PROVOKING WEEK IN THE CHRISTIAN LIFE:  
GOD HUMBLED HIMSELF TO BECOME HUMAN LIKE US, SACRIFICED HIMSELF ON THE  
CROSS TO FREE US FROM SIN AND ROSE FROM THE DEAD TO FREE US FROM DEATH

**PALM SUNDAY / PASSION SUNDAY - usual Sunday Mass times.** Jesus rides on a donkey into Jerusalem and is cheered by ecstatic crowds. By Friday he was crucified. On Palm Sunday we will hear the Gospel Passion Narrative of St Luke.

**MAUNDY THURSDAY 8 pm – Mass of the Lord's Passover Supper** at which Jesus washed the feet of the Apostles to signify that he came to serve, not to be served. Fr Peter will be washing the feet of twelve men at the Maundy Mass to indicate priestly service to the people, after which we will celebrate Christ's institution both of the Holy Eucharist and the Sacred Priesthood. The transfer of the Blessed Sacrament to the altar of repose in the Sacred Heart Chapel and the "stripping of the altar" ends the service. There will be a period of adoration until Compline (Night Prayer) at 10 pm.

**GOOD FRIDAY – the service will begin at 9.30 am** at St Mary's CofE church with a Walk of Witness with our Anglican and Methodist brothers and sisters (see below). The Good Friday Catholic service marking the Passion and Crucifixion of our Lord Jesus will be at 3 pm at which the Gospel Passion Narrative of St John will be read, followed by Universal Prayers of Intercession, the Veneration of the Cross, and the distribution of Holy Communion consecrated the previous evening (this is not a Mass). There will be *Stations of the Cross* at 7.30 pm.

**HOLY SATURDAY – Vigil Mass of the Lord's Resurrection – 8 pm.** This will begin with the Liturgy of the Light of Christ outside the church, followed by the Easter Proclamation (*Exsultet*), several readings from Scripture, and after the homily prayers and encouragement for those under sacramental instruction to become Catholics. Let us keep in our prayers **Elle, Jerome** and **Robyn** who will enter into full communion with the Catholic Church.

## **EASTER SUNDAY – 9 am and 11 am (no 6 pm Mass) – please note the new times**

Holy Week is a stunning sequence of events in our faith reflected in the wonderful liturgies across the week. Please do participate at the services: try to come to all these services – it is a pilgrimage in itself. Try not to work in Holy Week if at all possible! Make an offering of yourself to God. Use these days as a retreat. Pray together. Pray alone. Spend time by your crucifix. Enter into the mystery of Christ's conquest of sin and death through his suffering, forgiveness of his tormentors, and his resurrection from the dead! Go to confession, acknowledging Christ's forgiveness. Be healed. Love one another.

## **REFLECTION – PALM SUNDAY DOING THE WILL OF GOD**

Today we ourselves join Jesus in his journey to the Holy Temple of Jerusalem, to the heights of his Father in heaven. Today, we begin our pilgrimage of Holy Week having prepared and purified ourselves over the five weeks of Lent. Let us never be discouraged if we have fallen along the journey. Jesus is there with us to pick us up, encourage us, forgive us and love us to the end. We are in good hands. When we look up at the figure of Christ on the Cross, do we see suffering and brutality? No, first and foremost we see pure love – the love and truth of God which merge into one.

Let us enter solemnly into the mystery of Holy Week, during which we go from the depths of despair to the height of joy in the resurrection. At all times, Jesus did the will of God, and that is what we are called to do as well.

**Nothing makes us happier than to know we are doing the will of God. Christ is our model.**

## **PARIS TO CHATRES PILGRIMAGE AND PADRE PIO – SPECIAL TALK AT OUR CHURCH SUNDAY 27 April at 11.30 am after Mass**

On Sunday the 27 April at 11.30am in the church lecture room there will be a 30 minute talk on the life and spirituality of Saint Padre Pio by Gianpaolo Mosconi. This will be followed by a slide show about the famous annual *Paris to Chartres Pentecost Pilgrimage* and an account of the pilgrim group chapter - the "Companions of Padre Pio family group" who are parishioners at St Catherine's. The group will be participating in the next pilgrimage on **7,8 and 9 June 2025**. Please join us to learn more about Saint Padre Pio and the Pentecost Pilgrimage to Chartres Cathedral. **You can join the Pilgrimage group.**



## **DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY ST CATHERINE OF SIENA**

27 APRIL 2025  
3 pm – 4 pm

### **HOLY HOUR**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 3 pm  
Divine Mercy Devotions  
Confessions

Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

## **GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS WITH OUR ANGLICAN AND METHODIST BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST**

Start time: 9.30 am

St Mary the Virgin CofE Church, Garrison Lane  
Arrive at St Paul's CofE Church, Hook Road at approx  
11 am for Hot Cross Buns & refreshments



St Catherine's  
Monthly Prize Draw

**£10.00**

Recurring payment

## **MONTHLY PRIZE – UPTO £180**

### **TWO WAYS TO SIGN UP:**

(1) **ONLINE** by **Direct Debit** through the secure financial website **GoCardless**. Point your phone at the QR code on the left or follow the link below to our website.

**Website St Catherine's Monthly Prize**

(2) **CASH OR CHEQUE** for a 3, 6 or 12 month period. Details and envelopes in church lobby.

**APRIL 2025 WINNER - £180 - PAUL JOHNSTON**