Catholic Parish of Malsingham

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PALM SUNDAY of the PASSION of OUR LORD

YEAR OF ST MATTHEW APRIL 5TH. 2020

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Prayer of the Church, week 2

Holy Week begins as we recall Christ's entry into Jerusalem. Matthew records that when Jesus left Galilee for Jerusalem, "Large crowds followed him." (19:2) When he reached Jericho, only fifteen





or sixteen miles for Jerusalem he healed two blind men and, once again we are told, "As he left Jericho, a large crowd followed him." (20:29) Today we meet Jesus at Bethphage, a mere stone's throw for Jerusalem, where his triumphal ride towards the city begins. Once again he is surrounded by 'great crowds'. These people, among them some, who like the twelve and other disciples, will have followed him all the way from Galilee. They have heard him speak with authority and witnessed his powerful deeds. These crowds recognise him as 'Son of David', the expected Messiah and they strew his path with their clothes and wave

branches in his honour shouting, "Hosanna!" This is a shout of praise and joy which derives from a cry for deliverance. The crowd are shouting words from Psalm 118 which the New revised Standard Version interprets as follows: "Save us, we beseech you, O Lord! O Lord, we beseech you, give us success! Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord." (vv. 25-26) It is important that we celebrate today's liturgy as part of that crowd, jostling each other as the move towards the gate of the city. The mood changes as Jesus passes through that gate. Inside the city wall the people do not know him. "Who is this?" they cry. And the whole city is in turmoil. The crowds who accompany Jesus answer, "This is the prophet Jesus, from Nazareth in Galilee." This probably meant nothing to them. They probably thought, like Philip when Nathanael told him Jesus of Nazareth was the one Moses and the prophets had written about, "From Nazareth?" John 1:45-46). Or that other crowd at the Feast of Shelters, "Would the Christ come from Galilee?" (John 7:42). These were the ones who, just a little while after could be induced to shout, "Crucify Him!" We read that story, too, today which we call not only Palm Sunday but Sunday of the Passion of Our Lord.

....from CHRISTUS VIVIT

"We need to make all our institutions better equipped to be more welcoming to young people, since so many have a real sense of being orphaned. Here I am not referring to family problems but to something experienced by boys and girls, young people and adults, parents and children alike. To all these orphans – including perhaps ourselves – communities like a parish or school should offer possibilities for experiencing openness and love, affirmation and growth... The experience of discontinuity, uprootedness and the collapse of fundamental certainties, fostered by today's media culture, creates a deep sense of orphanhood to which we must respond by creating an attractive and fraternal environment where others can live with a sense of purpose." (216)

PARTICIPATION IN THE LITURGY
You can take part in the liturgy via the internet at the Catholic Shrine webpage: www.walsingham.org.uk

On our own webpage,

www.catholicparishofwalsingham.org,

there will be a brief reflection, in the 'distanced but together' section, for each day of the Sacred Triduum.

Some of you have been asking about Offertory Collections whilst there are no public Masses. There is a notice on the parish website under 'distanced but together'

"Hosanna to the Son of David."

Because of restrictions imposed by the government in response to the Covid19 virus emergency, there will be no Masses or other services in any of our churches until further notice.

St Henry Walpole, SJ, Burnham Market, PE31 8HD MASSES: Sunday, 9.30; Friday, 9.30

St Peter, Blakeney, NR25 7NP

MASSES: Saturday 18.00; Sunday, 11.00; Wednesday, 9.30









The Annunciation, Walsingham, NR22 6DB MASSES: Sunday, 10.30; Weekdays, 9.30

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, Wells, NR23 1EY MASSES: Saturday 18.00; Sunday, 9.15; Thursday, 9.30

THE YEAR OF THE WORD

Befriending the Scriptures cannot, of course, meet at present We can, however, keep reading Matthew's gospel and the readings appointed for the Mass of the day even though we cannot meet.

Sunday: Matthew 21:1-11; Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 21; Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14 - 27:66

Isaiah 42:1-7; Psalm 26; John 12:1-11 Isaiah 49:1-6; Psalm 70; John 13:21-38 Isaiah 50:4-9; Psalm 68; Matthew 26:14-25 Monday: Tuesday: Wednesday:

Chrism Mass: Isaiah 61:1-9; Psalm 88; Apocalypse 1:5-8; Luke 4:16-21 Thursday:

Mass of the Lord's Supper. Exodus 12:1-14; Psalm 115; 1 Corinthians 11:23-26; John 13:1-15

Passion of the Lord: Isaiah 52:13-53:12; Psalm 30; Hebrews 4:14-5:9; Friday:

John: 18:1-19:42

Saturday: Easter Vigil: Genesis 1:1-2:2; Psalm 32; Genesis 22:1-18; Psalm 15;

Exodus 14:15-15-18; Isaiah 54:5-14; Psalm 29; Isaiah 55:1-11; Isaiah 12:2-6;

Baruch 3:9-4:4; Psalm 18; Ezekiel 36:16-28; Psalm 41; Romans 6:3-11;

Psalm 117; Matthew 28:1-10

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Lent is a time for answering afresh the call to discipleship. The sacrament of reconciliation ranks highly among the means of doing this. Remember also that you may ask the priest at any time to hear confession even in these difficult times and that you may make an appointment for confession with any of us.

"Many will say to me today: But, Father, where can I find a priest, a confessor, because one can't leave home? And I want to make peace with the Lord, I want Him to embrace me, that my Papa embrace me... What can I do if I can't find priests? Do what the Catechism says; it's very clear: if you don't find a priest to hear your Confession, talk with God, He is your Father, and tell Him the truth: Lord, I've done this, and that, and that . . . I'm sorry, and ask Him for forgiveness with all your heart, with the Act of Contrition and promise Him: "Afterwards I will go to confession, but forgive me now."

Pope Francis, Homily, March 20th

Peter Coates writes:

"You may like to circulate this link to an information website for anyone who might need financial help during the current pandemic: https://www.justfinancefoundation.org.uk/coronavirus-help-hub"

Chris Lawrence writes:

As well as following the Liturgy another wonderful way to focus the day is the Angelus. Three times a day it directs the mind to the mystery of the Incarnation. Can't share in the Eucharist, , but just as bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Jesus, the Angelus reminds me that the Word was made flesh and dwells amongst us. A celebration of the Real Presence.

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