

## Parish of St Julie Newsletter

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Newsletter for Week commencing Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024

PALM SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

Sunday, 24 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30 am	Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion	Audrey Devereux - Anniversary
Monday, 25 <sup>th</sup> March	9.30 am 2.00 pm	Holy Week	Arthur Simcox – Anniversary Holy Rosary Group – all welcome
Tuesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> March		Holy Week	
Wednesday, 27 <sup>th</sup> March		Holy Week	
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup> March	1.30 pm 6.00 pm	Maundy Thursday	Easter Passion Service led by School Year 5 Mass of the Lord's Supper – Freddie Clisby – Anniversary
Friday, 29 <sup>th</sup> March		Good Friday - Fast and Abstinence	
Saturday, 30 <sup>th</sup> March	12.15-12.45 pm	Holy Saturday	No Confessions
Sunday, 31 <sup>st</sup> March	9.30 am	Easter Sunday – no Children's liturgy until 21 <sup>st</sup> April	Anthony & Elizabeth Stulberg Silver Wedding Anniversary

**Sick** - Philip Akehurst, Sylvia Armitage, Grace Bellard, Vincent Carr, Pat Chapman, Patricia Chisnall, Imelda Cowley, Francis Curran, Ava Davidson, Tony Devereux, Gerarda D'Orsi, Dennis Edmund, Jim Evans, Elaine Fairclough, Marjorie Fairhurst, Ellen Firth, Peter Galvin, Father Tom Gaggie, John & Lily Glover, Hilda Hamlett, Mary Hill, Jack Kelly, Will McDookin, Angela Monks, Brian O'Reilly, Beryl Pudifer, Tanya Rattigan, Nathan Sa Joe, Jean Sharkey, Patsy Shiel, Danny Singleton, Georgina Smith, Margaret and Frank Speakman, Stan Springford, Howard Thomas, Michael Twist, Marjorie Wills, Eden Rose Wilson, Baby Callum James, and those suffering from Covid.

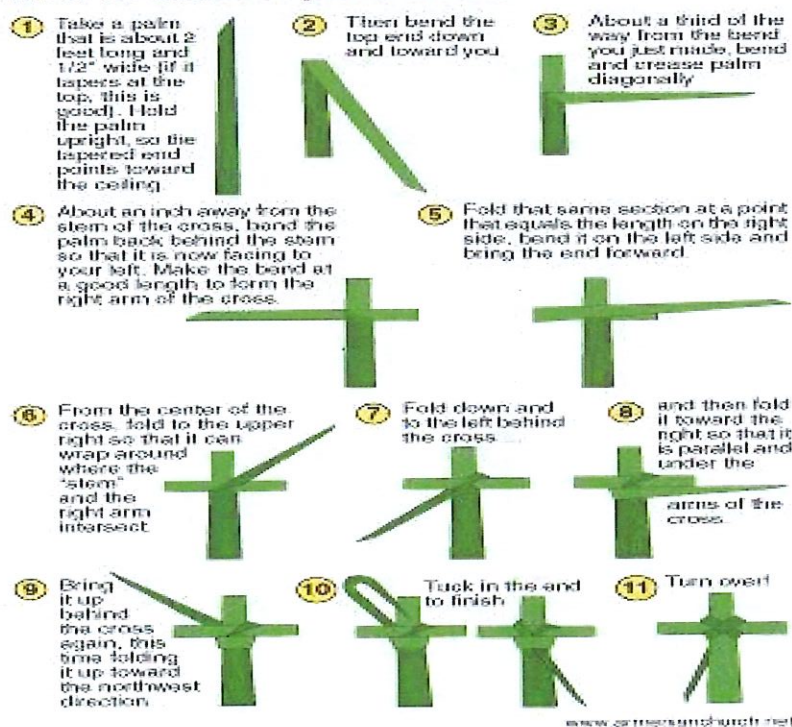
**Lately Dead** – Eileen Brooks, Betty Croker, Lou Gosling, Margo Mitchell, Maria Walsh, Sheila Blanchard, Pat Frazer

**Anniversaries** – Freddie Clisby, Audrey Devereux, Arthur Simcox

**Special Intentions** – Anthony & Elizabeth Stulberg, Innocent people of the Israel/Gaza conflict, people of Ukraine

**Mass of the Lord's Supper** – We need 12 volunteers to have their feet washed during the Mass of the Lord's Supper, please give your names to one of the welcomers at the end of Mass on Palm Sunday.

### How to make a palm cross



**Please note that there is no Stations of the Cross on Good Friday.** - Good Friday service will be at Lowe House at 3.00pm. There will be no Mass at St Thomas of Canterbury. The Easter vigil Mass will be 6.00 Saturday at St Thomas of Canterbury.

**Weekly Offertory** – Last weeks' offertory was £ 293.85.

**St. Julie's Easter Coffee Morning & Raffle on Easter Sunday (31<sup>st</sup> March 2024)** - Raffle tickets will be on sale after Mass each Sunday in the Parish Hall for an Easter Hamper donated by St. Julie's Mother & Toddlers' Group. . The draw will take place on Easter Sunday (31<sup>st</sup> March) in the Parish Hall after 9.30 am Mass.

**Journey in Faith** – Our 2<sup>nd</sup> series of talks at the De La Salle brothers house, 7 Wokefield Way, will be at 7.30pm on 9<sup>th</sup> April. If you would like to know more about the talks, please contact Dave Mc Kenna 01744 63166.



# Our Faith on Sunday

## LITURGY

### Palm Sunday (B)

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Mt 21:9  
Hosanna to the Son of David;  
blessed is he who comes in the name of  
the Lord, the King of Israel  
Hosanna in the highest.

**'PALM GOSPEL'** Mark 11:1-10  
Blessings on him who comes in the name of  
the Lord.

**FIRST READING:** Isaiah 50:4-7  
*I did not cover my face against insult - I  
know I shall not be shamed.*

**PSALM:** Ps. 21:8-9, 17-20, 23-24, R.v2

**R. My God, my God, why have you  
forsaken me.**

All who see me deride me.  
They curl their lips, they toss their heads.  
'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;  
let him release him if this is his friend. (R)

Many dogs have surrounded me,  
a band of the wicked beset me.  
They tear holes in my hands and my feet.  
I can count every one of my bones. (R)

They divide my clothing among them.  
They cast lots for my robe.  
O Lord, do not leave me alone,  
my strength, make haste to help me! (R)

I will tell of your name to my brethren  
and praise you where they are assembled.  
'You who fear the lord give him praise;  
all sons of Jacob, give him glory.  
Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R)

**SECOND READING:** Philippians 2:6-11  
*He humbled himself, but God raised him  
high.*

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Mt 17:5  
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal  
glory:

Christ was humbler yet,  
even to accepting death, death on a cross.  
But God raised him high  
and gave him the name which is above all  
names.  
Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal  
glory.

**THE PASSION:** Mark 14:1 - 15:47

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Mt 26:42  
Father, if this chalice cannot pass without  
my drinking it, your will be done.



## GOSPEL REFLECTION



Today we relive the horror of Jesus' prosecution, his carrying the cross and his excruciating death. The danger is that we are so familiar with these events that they can wash over us and we lose the deep meaning of the final hours of Jesus. All of us have experienced failure of one sort or another in our lives. If our failure has led us to desperation, we can have a least an idea of what Jesus went through. The Son of God is born on earth with a mission to save us, to bring back the lost sheep to the Father, and he ends up being beaten and crucified. He has also been abandoned by the men he had chosen to follow him, including the one he had designated as head of his Church. But the moment of his greatest suffering is when he cries out "My God, my God, why have you

deserted me?" He, who always sought to the will of the Father feels abandoned by him. His life seems to have ended in total failure. We will see on Easter Sunday how that apparent failure is transformed into great joy.

**EVANGELII CAUDIUM  
(JOY OF THE GOSPEL)**



### INTERNATIONAL POWER

172. The twenty-first century "is witnessing a weakening of the power of nation states, chiefly because the economic and financial sectors, being transnational, tend to prevail over the political. Given this situation, it is essential to devise stronger and more efficiently organized international institutions, with functionaries who are appointed fairly by agreement among national governments, and empowered to impose sanctions".<sup>149</sup> When we talk about the possibility of some form of world authority regulated by law,<sup>150</sup> we need not necessarily think of a personal authority. Still, such an authority ought at least to promote more effective world organizations, equipped with the power to provide for the global common good, the elimination of hunger and poverty and the sure defence of fundamental human rights.

149. Encyclical Letter *Laudato Si'* (24 May 2015), 175; AAS 107 (2015), 916-917.

150. Cf. BENEDICT XVI, Encyclical Letter *Caritas in Veritate* (29 June 2009), 67; AAS 101 (2009), 700-701.

## The Fire of Love\* HOW RICHARD CAME TO THE FIRE OF LOVE (2)

Just over nine months later, I was enkindled by a sweet warmth and I heard the sound of song and eternal praise such as that known only in heaven, and which no one can hear unless separated from earthly things.

Sitting in the same chapel and reciting the night psalms before going in to supper, I heard above my head the joyful singing of psalmody. In prayer I was reaching out to God with heartfelt longing when I became aware of a symphony of song and heavenly harmony persisting in my mind.

Right then and there my thinking

turned into melodious song and my meditation became a poem. My prayer and psalms then took up the same sound. What I had previously spoken became a song in my heart. It was wonderful to be caught up in such joy and given gifts like this purely from God's grace and not my own merit.

Anyone who really loves the name of Jesus might hope to achieve this state. For this I give unending praise and thanks to God. He has given me comfort in sorrow and enables me to await in confidence the everlasting crown.

\*The Fire of Love by Richard Rolle Published by Aeterna Press

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# PASTORAL DEVELOPMENT BULLETIN

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

For the current week's readings and Saints please look at Liturgy Office [www.liturgyoffice.org.uk](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk), *Universalis* (Liverpool/IOM) and The Liverpool Ordo. You can find additional Saints' information on [https://www.catholicireland.net/saints\\_category/saints/](https://www.catholicireland.net/saints_category/saints/)

## REFLECTION

As we journey towards Easter, we remember all those in sacramental preparation. The scripture below, used over the last few weeks, is also a reminder to us all about putting ourselves before the Lord and offering ourselves as a servant, as Samuel did.

Then the LORD called, "Samuel! Samuel!" and he said, "Here I am!" and ran to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call; lie down again." So he went and lay down. The LORD called again, "Samuel!" Samuel got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." But he said, "I did not call, my son; lie down again." Now Samuel did not yet know the LORD, and the word of the LORD had not yet been revealed to him. The LORD called Samuel again, a third time. And he got up and went to Eli, and said, "Here I am, for you called me." Then Eli perceived that the LORD was calling the boy. Therefore Eli said to Samuel, "Go, lie down; and if he calls you, you shall say, 'Speak, LORD, for your servant is listening.'" So Samuel went and lay down in his place.

Now the LORD came and stood there, calling as before, "Samuel! Samuel!" And Samuel said, "Speak, for your servant is listening."

**Samuel 1:4-10**

## UPDATE FROM THE LIVERPOOL ARCHDIOCESE

### • **RCIA THE MASS FOR NEW CATHOLICS**

We are celebrating the Mass for New Catholics on **Thursday 20 June at the Liverpool Metropolitan Cathedral at 7pm and will be celebrated by Archbishop Malcolm**. Anyone who has been received into the church, both this year and previous years are welcome to attend with their families, friends and Catechists.

### • **AN INTRODUCTION TO VATICAN II**

An in-person study retreat day exploring Vatican II is being offered in collaboration with the Light of Truth Dominican Sisters who will introduce us to the Second Vatican Council, the outcomes of



Vatican II and its impact on the world today. This would be perfect for anyone who is looking to explore this important event for the first time, as well as for anyone who is looking to reflect on and revisit the year of the Council. This event is being offered for free. If you have any questions, please contact [e.parsons@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:e.parsons@rcaol.org.uk) To book your place, please register here:

<https://archdioceseofliverpool.churchsuite.com/events/jaujdgxs>

- **FACILITATION TRAINING**

We are now offering training for people in our parishes who lead groups. Whether they are for praying, liturgy, or volunteering this 2-hour workshop will provide an opportunity to come together to discuss the format of your group and share new ideas to support the facilitation of your group moving forward. If you are interested in arranging a workshop for your parish or deanery, please contact [e.parsons@rcaol.org.uk](mailto:e.parsons@rcaol.org.uk)

- **CARDS TO THE HOLY LAND**

The current list of names and addresses of parishes in the Holy Land and essential information is available for those parishes or groups in the Archdiocese wanting to send greetings cards this Easter. Available here <https://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/ministries/commissions/justice-peace>

- **VACANCIES AT THE ARCHDIOCESE**

We are currently advertising several vacancies. If you're interested in working for the Archdiocese, you can find an up-to-date list of vacancies available here: [www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers](http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/careers)

## **RESOURCES AND EVENTS**

- **LOOKING TOWARDS THE CROSS: Irenaeus Centre, 5-26 March 7.00pm-8.30pm**

Lenten evenings hosted at the Irenaeus Centre conclude with Tuesday 26 March (7.00pm-8.30pm). Zoom links and further information available by emailing [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or calling 0151 949 1199.

Also at Irenaeus, for Lent at the Irenaeus Centre, 32 Great Georges Road L22 1RD we have set up prayer stations around our meeting room and oratory. Why not call in and spend 5, 10 or 15 minutes at any time from Monday – Thursday 10.00am – 4.00pm. Simply sit, look, and let God speak....so if you're passing, you'll all be very welcome!

- **A WEEKEND WITH ST TERESA OF AVILA - Led by Fr Matthew Blake, OCD**



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The Christian Heritage Centre is offering this retreat, which explores the life and faith of Teresa of Avila (also called Teresa of Jesus), one of the great Spanish mystics who, with Saint John of the Cross, established the Discalced Carmelites.

Please note there is a cost for this event:

Single room: £210 p.p.\*

Twin room (sharing): £150 p.p.\*

Non-residential (includes lunches and dinners): £90

For more information, please visit: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/praying-with-saint-teresa/>

- **WALKING THE WAY OF THE PASSION, Wednesday 27 to Sunday 31 March**

Limited residential and non-residential places available for the triduum retreat at the Irenaeus Centre so please book early. For further details email [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or call 0151 949 1199.

- **COME AND SEE, THE POWER OF THE SACRAMENTS - Led by Fr. Pat Collins, Saturday 4 May 2024**

For more information, please contact [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or call 01519491199.

- **EUCCHARISTIC MINISTRY TRAINING DAY, 27 April 2024**

Parishes are invited to booked places by emailing [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or call 01519491199.

- **WOMENS WEEKEND AT IRENAEUS: MARY IN A WORLD OF MARTHA? 14-16 June 2024**

Limited residential spaces available. For more information, please contact [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or call 01519491199.

- **POUR OUT YOUR GRACE AS AT A NEW PENTECOST, with guest speaker Michelle Moran, Saturday 11 May 2024, 10am-4pm**

Event hosted at the Irenaeus Centre. For more information, please contact [jenny@irenaeus.co.uk](mailto:jenny@irenaeus.co.uk) or call 01519491199.



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