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Palm Sunday

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

Responsorial Psalm - Psalm 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24 - My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Second reading - Philippians 2:6-11 - Christ humbled himself but God raised him high

Gospel Acclamation - Phil2:8-9 - 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!

Gospel - Mark 14:1-15:47 - The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Mark

Hosanna.... Crucify Him

Today, Palm Sunday, is the first day of the Holy Week, the high point of the Church's year, climaxing in the Easter Triduum: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday. Two gospels are proclaimed during today's liturgy. The first proclaimed during the procession with palms and recounts Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem, riding a borrowed Donkey. He is greeted joyfully by the crowds, who spread their clothes and leafy branches on the road before him and acclaimed him with these words: 'Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord!... Hosanna in the highest!'. It is shocking a few days later these same crowds will shout out in unison, 'Crucify him'.

Jesus' passion and agonizing death by crucifixion was the final solution thought up by a world opposed to Jesus' way. Jesus' suffering and death shows us with startling clarity what happens to self-forgetful love in a world ruled by demons of hatred and violence. Jesus could have avoided the cross but only by turning aside from his mission of proclaiming and inaugurating the God's reign of justice, peace and love. And this he could not and would not do. To reveal the full extent of God's love for us, he had to endure suffering and death. The events we recall today represent the final phase and climax of Jesus' life-giving mission of love.

In the story of Jesus' passion and death, presented in greater details by all the evangelists, Jesus' mission moves into a higher key, in which he allows himself to be acted upon rather than to act. For three years, he had acted: reaching out to people, especially the poor and marginalized, proclaiming a message of hope to those longing for liberation, healing the sick, forgiving sinners, and casting out demons. In the first phase of his mission, he was the one acting. Now in the final phase, he is the one being acted upon. We see him being betrayed, arrested, interrogated by Caiphas, Herold and Pilate, scourged, crowned with thorns, mocked, forced to carry a cross, stripped of his garments and finally nailed and hanged on the cross. This is the supreme moment of his witness to the love of God.

As we prayerfully recall the memory of Jesus' passion and death, let us profess our gratitude for the love that inspired Jesus to be 'led like an innocent lamb to the slaughter'. Let us remember and express our solidarity with the many victims of violence in our world today and pray that we may be active witnesses to God's transforming love in our violent and war-torn world.

Blessed Holy Week to you all Fr. Henry

Sacraments Confessions

Saturdays 10 to 11am or anytime by appointment.

Baptism of children

On Sundays with prior arrangements.

Parents must attend two sessions.

Parents must be registered members of the parish. At least one godparent must be a baptised catholic with a baptism certificate and confirmed.

Marriage

Those to have their marriage blessed should notify the Priest-in-charge at least six months before the proposed date.

First Holy Communion

This is usually done once a year in conjunction with the school. Other cases will be dealt with on individual bases.

Confirmation

This is usually done once a year.

Announcements are done in the parish
newsletter and on the website

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation for Adult

Those who would like to be received in the Catholic church should see the priest-in-charge any time and make arrangements to start the course.

All are welcome.

N.B

You need to be a registered member of our parish. Have faithful attendance at mass on Sundays and Holy Days. Fill out our registration form.

Fr Henry

Palmer Partnership News

Our parish is part of the Palmer Partnership comprising the parishes of Ss Peter & Paul, St John the Baptist, St Cedd, St Teresa and St Bede.

We had our first joint council meeting this week and decided to have a gathering of catechists, readers and eucharistic ministers from the parishes. If you are involved in one of these ministries, you are invited to St Cedd's hall on Saturday 22nd June from 14.00 - 16.00. More details to follow nearer the time.

With kind regards,
Rev. Canon Andrew Headon

St Bede Nursery

For pre school age in September 2024 (for children born 1st September 2020 – 31st August 2021)

Our Nursery offers 30 hour places (either Government funded or paid for @ £20 per day)

and some part-time funded 15 hour places

(either mornings 9am – 12pm or afternoons 12.30pm – 3.30pm)

See the admissions page on the school website at the following link https://st-bedes.redbridge.sch.uk/parents/admissions/

Holy Week Mass Times

Palm Sunday 24th March

Saturday vigil - 6.00pm

Sunday (one mass) - 10.00am

Maundy Thursday 28th March

7.30pm

Good Friday 29th March

10.30am - Stations of the Cross for Children

3.00pm - Good Friday service

Easter Vigil 30th March

9.30pm

Sunday (Easter) 31st March

9.00am and 11.00am



2024 - Readers' Rota – Palm Sunday

Date	Service	Time	Readers
23 rd March		6pm	1 st Reading – Isaiah – Lewis Lynch
			2 nd Reading – Philippians – Lewis Lynch
			Passion: Fr Henry
			Bold type: Congregation
24 th March	Palm Sunday	10am	1 st Reading – Isaiah – Justin Fox
			2 nd Reading – Philippians – Justin Fox
			Passion: Fr Henry Justin Fox
			Bold type: Congregation

Weather permitting the below for Sunday Mass at 10am

Collect Palms from Church
All Gather in the Car Park

First Form: The Procession The Priest Sprinkles Palms

The Gospel

The Solemn Entrance

Maryona Corcoran RIP

The funeral of Maryona Corcoran will be held at St Bede's Church on Thursday 11th April at 12pm

Her burial will take place at Forest Park

May she rest in the peace of Christ and rise to eternal glory

Easter Flowers

There will be a collection on Easter Sunday towards the flowers for Easter Please give generously Thank you

Donations

16th/17th March

Envelopes: £338.80 Loose Plate: £426.48

Fr Henry would like to thank you all



2024 Readers Easter Rota

Date	Service	Time	Readers
28 th March	Maundy	19:30	J. Fox (Exodus)
	Thursday		C. Fernandes (Corinthians)
			Fr. Henry, J. Fox (Gospel)
29 th March	Good	15.00	K. Ladley 1st Reading
	Friday		L. Rouxelin 2 nd Reading
			Fr. Henry, L. Lynch (Passion)
			J. Baiden-Amissah (Passion)
			Eileen & Linda (Intercessions)
30 th March	Holy	21:30	J. Fox (Genesis)
	Saturday		A. Nuko (Exodus)
			L. Lynch (Isaiah)
			J. Baiden-Amissah (Ezekiel)
			Mrs Anyanwu (New Testament)
31 st March	Easter	09:00	S. John
	Sunday		J. Odenigbo
		11:00	K. Ladley
			C. Egwuata

Mass Intentions

23rd March to 31st March

Saturday 23rd	10 - 11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)				
	6.00pm	Nnaemeka Anyanwu (Birthday Thanksgiving)				
Sunday 24th	10.00am	Emma Josephine Dadzie (RIP)				
Monday 25th	9.00am	No Mass				
Tuesday 26th	9.00am	Edina Teresa Stanley (RIP)				
Wednesday 27th	9.00am	Maxwell Graham Stanley (RIP)				
Thursday 28th	9.00am	The Smith Family Intention				
Friday 29th	10.30am	Stations of the Cross (For children)				
	3.00pm	Good Friday Passion Service				
Saturday 30th	10 - 11am	Confessions (or anytime by appointment)				
	9.30pm	Celia Creedon (RIP)				
Sunday 31st	9.00am	Emma Josephine Dadzie (RIP)				
	11.00am	Theresia Adams (Thanksgiving)				
May the souls of the departed Rest in Peace						

In your kindness, please pray for the following who are ill

Raymond Paul, Beveley Jones, Rosanna Joseph, Richard Lamb, Annie Childs Bruce May, Karen Oates, Kim Nichol, Rachel Antonella Rizzo, Micky Bennett Lucy Williams, Alsene Gibbs, Wesley Leachman, Chantale Wildman, Kevin Madden Joe Travasso, Rizzo Enzo, Emily Pougnet, Julia Cleary, Helena Almel

Anniversaries

Emilio Carvalho, Veronica McCaffrey, Jack Judge Ray Horan, Dr M Gertrude, James Thomas, John Driscoll

Nur Dirie, Patrick McAleese, Terence McCarthy, Ruth Grierson, Bridget Carolan Lee Jones, Stephen Bullard, Frank McGowan, Josephine Merrigan Katherine O'Neill, Celia Creedon, John & Delia Kelly, Alice Bearman Norman Norris, Balmatee Ramroop

May they rest in Peace