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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 24 March 2024

Holy Week and Easter at SJV

Palm Sunday – 24 March

10am Procession of Palms & Solemn Mass
4:30pm Adoration
5pm Low Mass

Maundy Thursday – 28 March

8pm Mass of the Lord's Supper, Washing of Feet and Watch until Midnight

Good Friday – 29 March

10:30am Young People's Stations of the Cross
3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion & Death of the Lord
8pm Maria Desolata (Stations of the Cross)

Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord (Easter)

Saturday 30 March
8pm Solemn Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter
Sunday 31 March
10am Solemn Mass & Crowning of Our Lady
4:30pm Adoration
5pm Low Mass

Confession Times

Monday – Wednesday
30 minutes before the celebration of Mass
Thursday
9 – 9:30am, 7:15 – 7:45pm
Friday
10:30 – 11:30am, 2:15 – 2:45pm
Saturday
9 – 10am

REMEMBER – CLOCKS GO FORWARD NEXT SUNDAY 1AM

Readings and psalm responses

Psalm response
10am and 5pm: My God, my God,
why have you forsaken me?

First reading
Isaiah 50:4-7

Gospel
Mark 14:1–15:47
(Shorter: Mark 15:1-39)

Second reading
Philippians 2:6-11

What is Holy Week?

Holy Week is an important time for Christians throughout the world. Holy Week, the final week of Lent, begins on Palm Sunday, the Sunday before Easter. Holy Week is a time when Catholics gather to remember and participate in the Passion of Jesus Christ. The Passion was the final period of Christ's life in Jerusalem. It spans from when He arrived in Jerusalem to when He was crucified.

How do Catholics celebrate Holy Week?

Four special ceremonies commemorate the events of Christ's Passion from His entrance into Jerusalem, when palm branches were placed in His path, through His arrest on Holy Thursday and Crucifixion on Good Friday, to Holy Saturday, the day that Christ's body lay in the tomb.

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum, which runs from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

The liturgical services during the Triduum are:

- Mass of the Lord's Supper
- Good Friday of the Lord's Passion
- Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord

Palm Sunday recalls Jesus' arrival in Jerusalem. Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the re-enactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem with a procession. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a donkey to the praise of the townspeople who laid palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Holy Thursday commemorates the Last Supper, when Jesus instituted the Eucharist and the Priesthood. The washing of the feet takes place during the Mass of the Lord's Supper in the evening.

Good Friday is one of the darkest days of the year for Catholics. It covers Jesus' arrest, trial, and crucifixion. His death and burial are also memorialised. The events of Good Friday are commemorated in the Stations of the Cross, a 14-step devotion, traditionally prayed during Lent and especially on Good Friday. Good Friday is a day of fasting within the Church. Traditionally, there is no Mass and no celebration of the Eucharist on Good Friday. Communion comes from hosts consecrated on Holy Thursday. Church bells are silent. Altars are left bare. The solemn, muted atmosphere is preserved until the Easter Vigil.

Holy Saturday remembers the day that Jesus spent in the grave. The Easter Vigil takes place at the end of the day at 8pm because the new liturgical day begins at sunset, so the vigil begins at sunset on Holy Saturday outside the church, where an Easter fire is kindled and the Paschal candle is blessed and then lit. This Paschal candle will be used throughout the season of Easter, remaining in the sanctuary of the church, and throughout the coming year at baptisms and funerals, reminding all that Christ is our life and light.

After the conclusion of the Liturgy of the Word, the water of the baptismal font is solemnly blessed and any catechumens and candidates for full communion are initiated into the church.

Fr Rob Page
Parish Priest

Notices and News

Monday evening Mass

Mass in Latin will be celebrated at **6.30pm** on **Monday 25 March**.

Parish Finance

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| | £ |
| Offertory, Mass stipends, candles, repository, etc, + average standing orders, online donations | 1,593.38 |

Good Friday and Easter Sunday collections

The collection on Good Friday, 29 March, goes to support the Christian Community in the Holy Land and assists in maintaining the Holy Sites, as well as the people who live there. Now that pilgrimages are not visiting the Holy Land, this is the principal source that sustains the region's Christians.

The offertory collection at the Easter Sunday Masses is given for Fr Rob personally. Please do give generously.

If you are in the gift aid scheme, please use your planned giving envelopes so that we can claim the tax back and pass it on.

Easter Lilies

You can sponsor Easter Lilies in memory of a loved one or in thanksgiving for blessings received. The lists are in the narthex, please fill in the details by clearly printing, on the right list, your name and the name(s)/Blessing(s) you would like prayed for or given thanks for. Suggested donation £5 per lily.

Easter raffle

Once again we have some lovely hampers for our raffle prizes. Raffle tickets are on sale in the narthex after Sunday Masses at £1 a strip.

Planned giving boxes

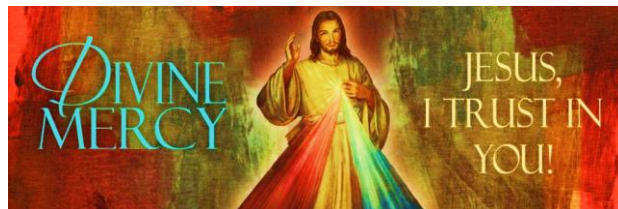
The planned giving (gift aid) boxes are now available for collection at the back of the church. Please take your box even if you pay by standing order as you will then also be able to contribute under gift aid to second collections and to the Easter and Christmas collections for our priests.

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Confession is available on Saturday mornings between 10am and 10.30am and at other times by arrangement.

Legion of Mary

Weekly meetings of active members take place on most Sundays after the 10am Mass. Auxiliaries are most welcome to join us.



Divine Mercy Sunday Devotion

Join us for an afternoon of prayers, adoration and celebration of the feast of the Divine Mercy on **Sunday 7 April, 1pm to 5.45pm**. We will have visiting priests who together with Fr Rob will hear Confessions. The afternoon will conclude with Benediction and celebration of the Holy Mass.

The Divine Mercy Novena starts on Good Friday.

Coffee Morning & Garden Fayre

The Social and Fundraising Committee will hold its first coffee morning on Saturday 20 April from 11am to 12.30pm. SJV's Weeders and Pruners will join us and display potted plants and gardening equipment (new and old) for sale. They will also be around to answer your gardening queries!

For catering purposes, please let Michael Kyriacou, Tesse Javier or Jennifer Alvares know if you are able to join in. Admission is free but a donation towards the church upkeep will be appreciated. If you have any gardening items (new or used) that you'd like to donate, please bring them to church before the event.

Mass intentions

If you would like a Mass offered, please complete a Mass request envelope, available in the narthex, place the stipend inside and put it in the parish letter box or give it to Sonia.

Our lamps

Do consider sponsoring any of the four lamps that burn at significant spots in our church. Please fill in one of the envelopes in the narthex, place your stipend (suggested minimum £7) inside and give it to Fr Rob or Sonia.

Parish repository

Our repository is open after the Sunday morning Mass and stocks a wide variety of gifts, cards and devotional items. Open at other times on request.

Mass times and intentions

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| Sun | 24 | Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord | |
| | 10.00 | Anne Edwards | (Legion of Mary) |
| | 17.00 | The People of the Parish | |
| | 23.00 | Procession of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction | |
| Mon | 25 | Monday of Holy Week | |
| | 18.30 | Mass in Latin – All Souls in Purgatory | (Maria Josef) |
| Tue | 26 | Tuesday of Holy Week | |
| | 9.00 | Cesar Avena RIP | (Tesse Javier & Marilyn Butler) |
| Wed | 27 | Wednesday of Holy Week (Spy Wednesday) | |
| | 9.00 | Susan Good RIP | (Brian Good & Natasha Walker) |
| Thu | 28 | Maundy Thursday | |
| | 20.00 | The Unity of the Church | |
| Fri | 29 | Good Friday | |
| | 15:00 | Solemn Liturgy of the Passion & Death of the Lord | |
| Sat | 30 | Holy Saturday | |
| | 20.00 | The newly baptised and confirmed | |
| Sun | 31 | Easter Sunday | |
| | 10.00 | Andrew Baffour RIP – 7th anniversary | (Mr & Mrs A Baffour) |
| | 16.30 | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Benediction | |
| | 17.00 | The People of the Parish | |
| Tuesday to Saturday | | | |
| | 8.00 | Office of readings and morning prayer – week 2 | |
| | 8.30 | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – Tuesday & Wednesday only) | |
| Tuesday and Wednesday | | | |
| | 17.30 | Evening prayer – week 2 | |

Stewards

This Sunday Kate Echeazu, Merlyn Sealey + 1

Next Sunday Bernadetta Sharon, Lionel Sharon, Jennifer Alvares

Extraordinary Ministers

This Sunday **10am** Charles Nwaoha, Francis Addai, Rita Young
5pm Maria Josef, Josef Sehion

Maundy Thursday Akash Cheeda, Juliet Addai, Heather Steadman

Good Friday Josef Sehion

Holy Saturday Maria Josef, Marina Julian, Charles Nwaoha

Next Sunday **10am** John Sarpong, Lily Sarpong, Bernadetta Sharon
5pm Maria Josef, Josef Sehion

Ministers taking communion out today Antoinette Loroy, Francis Addai, Rita Young, Marilyn Butler, Heather Steadman, Josef Sehion (5pm).

Spiritual communion call Theresa McDonagh.

Ministers taking communion out next Sunday Joseph Loroy, John Sarpong, Rita Young, Bernadetta Sharon, Heather Steadman. *Spiritual communion call* Rita Young.

Readers (Please tell Sonia if you cannot read on your rota day)

This Sunday Ann Stevens, Kanista Jesuthasan. *Passion* Sonia Gable, Josef Sehion

Next Sunday Jennifer Alvares, Aidan Julian

Repository Ania Rutkowska

Refreshments Lamisi Narweh