



Parish Bulletin

Palm Sunday
March 29, 2026

Sunday Cycle A
Weekday Cycle 2
Divine Office Week 2

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
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This Week's Divine Services and Other Events

Monday March 30  Isaiah 42:1-7; Ps 27(26):1. 2. 3. 13-14. R 1a; John 12:1-11.
Monday of Holy Week **9:15AM Mass, Holy Family**


Tuesday March 31  Isaiah 49:1-6;
Tuesday of Holy Week Ps 71(70):1-2. 3-4a. 5-6b. 15ab, 17. R cf. 15ab; John 13:21-33, 36-38.
9:30AM Mass, St Mary's
2:00-4:00PM Cuppa Club, Parish Room at Holy Family Church.
All welcome.

Wednesday April 1  Isaiah 50:4-9a;
Wednesday of Holy Week Ps 69(68):8-10. 21b-d-22. 31, 33-34. R14c, b; Matthew 26:14-25.
9:15AM Mass, Holy Family

Thursday April 2 **6:00PM Mass of the Lord's Supper (sung), Holy Family**
Maundy Thursday

Friday April 3 **11:00AM Stations of the Cross, Holy Family**
Good Friday **3:00PM Good Friday Liturgy, St Mary's**

Saturday April 4 **11:00AM - 12:00 noon: Sacrament of Reconciliation**
Holy Saturday **(Confession)**
6:30PM Easter Vigil Mass (sung), St Mary's

Sunday April 5  Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Ps 118(117):1-2. 16-17. 22-23. R24;
Easter Sunday Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9.
(Divine Office Week 1) **9:00AM St Mary's Church open for private prayer.**
9:30AM Sung Mass, St Mary's
10:45AM Holy Family Church open for private prayer.
11:15AM Sung Mass, Holy Family
Light refreshments will be served after both Sunday morning Masses.
(There is no 6:00PM Mass on Easter Sunday)

Confession

Saturdays (see above); otherwise on request.

Baptisms and Marriages

If you would like to arrange a baptism or a marriage, please speak to a priest or to Sr. Benedicta after Mass.
Please note, we require six months' notice for a wedding.

We Pray For...

Birthday

Giselle Mmesoma Chukwa, Freda Gleave and Pat Snelling.

Sick

We pray for all who are currently awaiting results, undergoing treatment or battling illnesses. In particular: Paul Vincent Rostern, Gregory Francis Rostern, Joe & Anne Appleton, Monica Reed, Maria-Thérèse Passenger, Geraldine Power, Kath Wilkinson, Betty Brown, Joe Gallagher, Finola Bedford, Catherine Redikin, Catherine Ardill, Cristopher McAuley, Austin Moran, Burny Maughny, Pat Snelling, John Moran, Michael Bray, Wendy Felstead, Caroline, Ann Burn, Donni Marie, Sarah O'Brien, Collette Hartwell, Immanuel Iro, Annamarie O.S. Asemota, Susan Watson, Stephanie Farrell, Anna, Morris Maude, Mary Jowes, Mrs. Gavin, Patrick O'Brien, Ian Kirkham, Dave Riley, Stuart Radcliffe, Mark Wilkinson, Keith J. Williams, Carol Williams and Annette Sribiwiski.

Recently Deceased

We pray for the souls of: Jackie Burns, Peter, Uzendu Christian, Mary Woods, Edie Dwyer, Pamela Scanlon and Lynn Redkin. May they rest in perfect peace.

Anniversary

We pray for the souls of: Mini Francis, KP Polli, Daniel McCarthy, Annie & Thomas Farrell, Tony & Peter Farrell, Tom & Margaret Farrell and Beryl Roczniak. May they continue to rest in the Lord.

Sanctuary Candle at Holy Family

This week's sanctuary candle was donated by Deacon Stephen Scott, in memory of **Robert Scott**.

Deaths and Funerals

We sadly announce the death of **Mary Woods**. Funeral details to be advised.

We keep her family and friends in our prayers.

St Mary's School Mass

Mass at St Mary's Church on Tuesday, March 31 will be attended by the students from St Mary's School; it will begin slightly later than usual, **at 9:30am**.

Holy Week & Easter Programme

Wednesday April 1, 11:00am:

Chrism Mass, St Patrick's Church, Collyhurst.

Thursday April 2, 6:00PM:

Mass of the Lord's Supper, Holy Family Church.

Good Friday April 3, 11:00am:

Stations of the Cross, Holy Family Church.

Good Friday April 3, 3:00pm:

Good Friday Liturgy, St Mary's Church.

Saturday April 4, 11:00am-

12 noon: Confessions, St Mary's,

Saturday April 4, 6:30pm: Easter Vigil Mass.

Easter Sunday April 5, 9:30am:

Mass at St Mary's; **11:15am:** Mass at Holy Family. **No 6:00pm Mass** on Easter Sunday.

Easter Monday April 6, 10:00am:

Mass at both churches.

Baptism Preparation This Weekend

Those scheduled for baptism in April, please attend the Baptism Preparation session at St Mary's this Sunday, March 29, immediately after the 9:30am Mass.

Cuppa Club Easter Recess

There will be no meeting of the Cuppa Club on Tuesday, April 7. Meetings will resume on Tuesday, April 14.

Easter Flowers

Contributions towards the cost of adorning our sanctuaries with flowers over Easter week, would still be most welcome. If you wish to contribute, please do so at the piety stall before or after Sunday Mass, or care of a priest at other times.

Catenians Concert, Supper and Raffle

Marvellous vocalist 'Shadia' will be singing hit songs dating from the 1960s to the present day at the Parish Room, Holy Family, Limeside, on Friday, April 24 2026. Tickets are priced at £15 – includes Meat and Potato Pie / Cheese and Onion Pie supper. Tea, coffee and soft drinks will be provided, though all are welcome to bring their own alcoholic drinks. Tickets will be on sale at the churches after Sunday Masses on April 5, 12 and 19, and are otherwise available by calling Iain O'Hare—07977 720108. All proceeds will go to the Failsworth Catenians Group's Pilgrimage and to Parish funds.

Grand National Sweepstake

The race will be run on Saturday April 11, 2026. The draw for runners will take place on Sunday April 5, 2026, after 11:15 Mass. The winner receives £100; 2nd £50; 3rd £10. Tickets £1 each, available at both churches.

Antiphon and Hymns on Palm Sunday

Processional Antiphon (sung)

Cantor: As the Lord entered the Holy city, the children of the Hebrews proclaimed the resurrection of life.

All: **Waving their branches of palm they cried: 'Hosanna in the Highest'.**

Cantor: When the people heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem, they went out to meet him.

All: **Waving their branches of palm they cried: 'Hosanna in the Highest'.**

Offertory Hymn: **129** Almighty Father, Lord Most High

Communion Hymn: **870** Jesus, remember me

Recessional Hymn: **487** My song is love unknown