

Holy Week. Palm Sunday



This Lent has certainly been one will not forget for a long time.

In some ways we have journeyed like the People of Israel in a desert for the last few weeks.

For me it has seemed strange celebrating daily Mass and of course Sunday Mass without any of you here.

It has not been an easy Lent without being able to attend Mass nor to receive Holy Communion.

I hope the prayers put on the web site have been of help.

Sunday is of course Palm Sunday, we will not as usual be waving our Palm around in Procession as we normally do. Holy week is the most important week in the Churches year. This week we are going to be armchair participants.

But we can join in by reading our Bibles, missals, our Lent day by day.

We can pray the Stations of the Cross from our own homes.

This week especially we can set up an Altar in our homes as a focus of prayer.

When I say Mass on Palm Sunday, I will be celebrating it for the people of the Parish, as I do every Sunday. In those prayers of Mass especially I shall remember all our Families, our housebound, and self-isolating parishioners.

As well to pray for the health and well-being of everyone, and to ask the Lord to protect those who are looking after us in all of the vital services.

We may not be able to gather together in the Church, but we are very much the Church when together we look after each other and especially have care for those in most need.

So, as we begin this very Solemn Week of the Church, let us continue to pray for each other, and know through our faith in Our Blessed Lord, that His light will shine through the darkness and lead us through these troubled days.

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