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**FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT - Collection for Poor Parishes
Saturday 16 March - P169**

10.00am - 10.45am - Fr Arbo's Surgery Parish Office
11.30am - Baptism Orson Woodcock-Jackson
3.45pm - 4.45pm - Adoration, Rosary & Benediction
4.00pm - 4.45pm - Confessions
5.00pm Mass - Brian Lewis R.I.P.
Tea & Coffee after Mass in The O'Sullivan Centre

Sunday 17 March - p172 Third Scrutiny

9.30am - Deceased members of Hollister Family
10.30am - Tea & Coffee in O'Sullivan Centre
10.30am - FHC Session in Carmel Hall after Mass
11.00am Mass - People of the Parish - **Page 169**

Monday 18 March

NO MASS

2pm to 4pm - SHJ Seniors - Carmel Hall

Tuesday 19 March - Saint Joseph, Spouse of The Blessed Virgin Mary

6.00pm Mass - Sr Simone Depoorter R.I.P.
6.30pm RCIA/Baptism Class - Parish Office/Church
7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 20 March

10.00am Mass - Ann Jolliffe R.I.P.
6.00pm - Deepening Faith Group
7.00pm - Gospel Prayer Group in Gabriel Room
7.00pm - FHC Parents Session in O'Sullivan Centre

Thursday 21 March

10.00am Mass - Philly Crowley R.I.P.
5.00pm - 6.30pm - Kingdom Youth Group - Carmel Hall
6.45-8.00pm - Confirmation Session
7.30pm - Parish Lenten Penitential Service

Friday 22 March

10.00am Mass - Thanksgiving Mass
7.00pm - Stations of the Cross

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

Saturday 23 March - P176/P183

10.00am - 10.45am - Fr Arbo's Surgery Parish Office
3.45pm - 4.45pm - Adoration, Rosary & Benediction
4.00pm - 4.45pm - Confessions
5.00pm Mass - People of the Parish
Tea & Coffee after Mass in The O'Sullivan Centre

Sunday 24 March - p176/P183

9.15am - Blessing of the Palms and Procession
9.30am - Intentions of the Knights of St Columba
10.30am - Tea & Coffee in O'Sullivan Centre & Rise n Shine
10.30am - FHC Session in Carmel Hall after Mass
11.00am Mass - Remembering dear departed Eugene Forde
on his birthday.

GUEST CELEBRANT AT THE EASTER VIGIL

Saturday 30 March at 8pm

We are pleased to be able to share with Parishioners the news that we are blessed to have Bishop Paul Hendricks join us on Easter Saturday as the main Celebrant for the Easter Vigil and he will Confirm our Elect.

EASTER OFFERING

Envelopes for your Easter Offering to Fr Arbo are now available in the Porch. The Easter Offering forms a vital part of a Priest's income so please give generously if you can. Thank You.

WASHING OF THE FEET

MAUNDY THURSDAY - 28 March at 8pm



We need 12 volunteers to have their feet washed by Fr Arbo during the Last Supper Mass on Maundy Thursday - 28 March, if you would like to participate, please add your names to the list in the church porch.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

The new Gift Aid envelopes are ready for collection from the Parish Office between 10.30am and 11am on Sundays, or from the office during office hours. For those that give by standing order, there are sets of envelopes for the various Special Collections throughout the year.

SPECIAL PRAYERS: ZAKARIA NGUMA R.I.P.

Sadly Fr Arbo's Uncle Zakaria Nguma died on Tuesday 12 March we would ask that you remember him in your prayers.



PARISH SCHOOL

ST PETER'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL



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SACRED HEART NEWSLETTER

SECOND COLLECTION

The second collection this week is for Poor Parishes; formerly the Needs of the Diocese collection, this collection enables the Archbishop to make grants to some of the poorer Parishes in the Diocese.

CONFIRMATION 2023/2024

The next session will be on Thursday 21 March

FHC 2023/2024

The next session will be on Wednesday 20 March and Sunday 24 March after 9.30am Mass in the O'Sullivan Centre

JOB OPPORTUNITY - PAID POSITION

A position for 2-3 hours per week on a flexible basis over Saturday and Sunday is available. The flexibility will depend on hall bookings that may be on each weekend. The main purpose of this role is to sweep and mop both halls, including their kitchen and toilet areas. The halls are quite large and so this role is not for the faint-hearted. Please contact the office for further information.



PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP

It was felt that there is a great need to support families and individuals in this great time of need. This new group agreed to meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month from 4pm to 5.30pm in the Gabriel Room. Everyone is welcome to join. Please call the office for further information. The coordinator of the group is Sue Bunce. Next meeting 19 March 2024

SHJ SENIORS -Growing Strong!

The group aims to provide a space for friendships, social gathering, teas, etc. The next session is **Monday 18 March from 2pm to 4pm**. In Carmel Hall, Ufton Lane, ME10 1JB. For more info contact the Parish Office and/or Margaret Mayes on 07708 142646 or Pauline Yeung 07940 564626

DEFENCE OF THE HOME OFFICE!

3pm Sunday 24 March - Carmel Hall

A full talk for people of all ages 16-80+ a simple guide to staying alive and safe in your home by preparing a simple disaster recovery plan.

Talk given by Terry Mahoney

2024 LENTEN PROGRAMME

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Will take place every Friday after 10am Mass and at 7pm. Deacon David will also lead Stations of the Cross and every Tuesday after 6pm Mass. All Stations will take place in the Church.

LENTEN PENITENTIAL SERVICE

Thursday 21 March at 7.30pm in Church
Confessions on Saturdays 4pm to 4.45pm
No Confessions on Holy Saturday

PALM SUNDAY: (Passion Sunday) 24 March

(Palms will be blessed at all Masses)

5.00pm - Saturday Vigil Mass

9.15am - Blessing of Palms & Procession

9.30am - Mass

11.00am - Mass

CHRISM MASS - Wednesday 27 March - Cathedral

NO MASS here in Church

EASTER TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY: Last Supper 28 March

8:00pm Mass - with the Washing of Feet

9.00pm Tea & Coffee in O'Sullivan Centre

9:30pm - 11:45pm Adoration in front of Our Lady

11:45pm - Midnight Compline

GOOD FRIDAY: The Passion and Death of Jesus

9:30am Walk of Witness -St Michael's Parish

11:15am Children's Stations of the Cross

3:00pm The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ

EASTER SATURDAY 30 March

10:00am Carmel Hall - Holy Saturday: Blessing of Easter Food Baskets - (Eastern European tradition)

8:00pm - **EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT:**

Celebrant - Bishop Paul Hendricks

Refreshments will follow in the O'Sullivan Centre

EASTER SUNDAY 31 March - The Resurrection of Our Lord

9:30am Easter Sunday Mass

11:00am Easter Sunday Mass

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