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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Saturday 23 March - p176/p183

10.00-10.45am - Fr Arbo's Surgery in Parish Office

3.45pm - 4.45pm - Adoration, Rosary & Benediction

4.00pm - 4.45pm - Confessions

5.00pm Vigil 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 - Refreshments & Rise 'n' Shine - O'Sullivan

10.30am - FHC Session in Carmel Hall after Mass

11.00am Mass - Remembering Eugene Forde RIP on his birthday.

Monday 25 March NO MASS

Tuesday 26 March

6.00pm Mass - no mass intention requested

7.00pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday 27 March NO MASS - CHRISM MASS AT ST GEORGE'S

Maundy Thursday 28 March The Mass of The Last Supper - p192

8.00pm - Mass - Intention - James Parr R.I.P.

9.00pm Tea & Coffee in O'Sullivan Centre

9:15pm - 11:45pm Adoration and Prayers till

11:45pm - Midnight Compline

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD Friday 29 March - p197

9.30am - Walk of Witness - St Michaels Church

11.15am - Children's Stations of the Cross

3.00pm - The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ

Followed by private Devotions and Veneration of the Cross/Stations of the Cross

HOLY SATURDAY - Saturday 30 March - p216

10.00am - 11.00am - Blessing of the Easter Food

Baskets (Carmel Hall)

8.00pm - Easter Vigil in The Holy Night

Refreshments afterwards in The O'Sullivan Centre

EASTER SUNDAY 31 March - p251

9.30am - People of the Parish

10.30am - Tea & Coffee in O'Sullivan Centre

11.00am Mass - Sean Kavanagh R.I.P.

OTHER PARISH EVENTS/Programmes this Week

Saturday 23rd: 10.00am - 10.45am

Surgery in Parish Office

Sunday 24th: 10:30am - 11:30am

Rise 'n Shine: (Children's Group) O'Sullivan Centre

Sunday 24th: 10.30am

FHC Children's Session in Carmel Hall

Wednesday 27th: 7.00pm

Gospel Prayer Group in Gabriel Room

Wednesday 27th: 7.00pm

FHC Parents Session in O'Sullivan Centre

Thursday 28th: 5.00pm - 6.30pm Kingdom Youth Group - Carmel Hall

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.

CHRISM MASS - Wednesday 27 March at St George's Cathedral, therefore, NO MASS here in Church

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.

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

WALK OF WITNESS



The Annual walk of Witness takes place on Good Friday at 9.30am from St Michaels' Church in the High Street up to the Baptist Church at the top of the High Street, all are welcome to join Fr Arbo and take part in this event. The main Preacher for this event is Deacon David.

CAR PARKING **A NOTICE TO ALL USERS**

As you are all aware our Car Park only has 16/17 spaces two of which are specifically designated as disabled bays. We would ask that from now on the spaces are left for people who are elderly and less mobile or those with mobility impairments. Can we therefore ask that those of you that are able bodied, park in the surrounding streets; Cockleshell Walk car park or Lidl, (which allows 1.5 hours free parking if you pop in and buy something and scan your receipt at the screens behind the tills). It is becoming dangerous in the car park when people arrive late for Mass and park just anywhere; blocking everyone in and causing a potential safety risk should emergency vehicles need to attend the halls or Gabriel Room/Parish Office.

We thank you for your compliance with this request. Fr Arbo

FHC 2023/2024

The next session will be on Wednesday 27 March in the O'Sullivan Centre

KNIGHTS OF ST COLUMBA - EASTER POSTERS

The Knights of St Columba have left some Easter Posters in the Porch which you are welcome to take home and display, please help yourselves.

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 2 April 2024

SHJ SENIORS - Growing Strong!

The group aims to provide a space for friendships, social gathering, teas, etc. The next session Monday 8 April from 2-4pm in Carmel Hall, Ufton Lane, ME10 1JB and includes a demonstration by Sharon Ripley of a Mobility Impaired Exercise Class she holds in the Carmel Hall. For more info contact the Parish Office and/or Margaret Mayes on 07708 142646 or Pauline Yeung 07940 564626

EASTER TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY: 28 March - The Last Supper

8:00pm Mass - with the Washing of Feet 9.00pm Tea & Coffee in O'Sullivan Centre 9:15pm - 11:45pm Adoration in front of Our Lady

11:45pm - Midnight Compline

GOOD FRIDAY: 29 March - 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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