# **SACRED HEART OF JESUS - NEWSLETTER**

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# **For your personal use, please take this newsletter away with you**

Saturday 20th March 5pm **FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

People of the Parish

Sunday 21st March 9.30am Hollister family

Sunday 21st March 11am Edward Cesana RIP

Monday 22nd March NO MASS

Tuesday 23rd March 6pm Wellbeing Cynthia Robinson

Wednesday 24th March 10am John Sheehan RIP

Thursday 25th March 6pm  **THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD**

Anne Donaldson RIP

Friday 26th March 10am Daniel Edwards RIP

Adoration and Divine Chaplet of the Precious Blood.

Saturday 27th March 5pm **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

People of the Parish

Sunday 28th March 9.30am Prayer of thanksgiving – Aneta Chodorawski

Sunday 28th March 11am Fr Henry Reynolds RIP

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR CONGREGATIONAL**

**WORSHIP AT ALL MASSES.**

**Please remember to book your place by emailing the office**

**at sittingbourne@rcaos.org.uk or phoning on Fridays 9am-4pm**

**Please note the solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord is 6pm**

**PARISH NEWS**

Please find below the times for the Easter Masses/Services. Whilst we are delighted to be able to join together for the Easter triduum there will be certain parts omitted because of the pandemic. More details to follow next week

Unfortunately, there will be no congregational singing. The restrictions are the same as at present, parishioners should **not** join in with the hymns or the responses that are sung.

**TIMETABLE FOR EASTER**

**Thursday 1st April 7.30pm Maundy Thursday - Mass of the Last Super**

**Friday 2nd April 3.00pm Good Friday - The Passion of the Lord**

**Friday 2nd April 6.00pm Stations of the Cross**

**Saturday 3rd April 7.30pm The Easter Vigil in the Holy Night**

**Sunday 4th April 9.30am Easter Sunday of the Resurrections of the Lord**

**Sunday 4th April 11.00am Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord**

**Fifth Sunday of Lent – Year B**

**Entrance Antiphon.**

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.

From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**C.** The Lord be with you.

**All. And with your Spirit**

**All: I confess to almighty God**

**And you my brothers and sisters,**

**That I have greatly sinned,**

**In my thoughts and in my words,**

**In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,**

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Christ have mercy**. All:** **Christ have mercy.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Let us pray.

**First Reading Jeremiah 31:31-34**

See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will make a new covenant with the House of Israel (and the House of Judah), but not a covenant like the one I made with their ancestors on the day I took them by the hand to bring them out of the land of Egypt. They broke that covenant of mine, so I had to show them who was master. It is the Lord who speaks. No, this is the covenant I will make with the House of Israel when those days arrive – it is the Lord who speaks. Deep within them I will plant my Law, writing it on their hearts. Then I will be their God and they shall be my people. There will be no further need for neighbour to try to teach neighbour, or brother to say to brother, ‘Learn to know the Lord!’ No, they will all know me, the least no less than the greatest – it is the Lord who speaks – since I will forgive their iniquity and never call their sin to mind.

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps. 50:3-4,12-15. R. v. 12**

**Response: A pure heart create for me, O God.**

Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.

In your compassion blot out my offence.

O wash me more and more from my guilt

and cleanse me from my sin. **R*#***

A pure heart create for me, O God,

put a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence,

nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **R*#***

Give me again the joy of your help;

with a spirit of fervour sustain me,

that I may teach transgressors your ways

and sinners may return to you. **R*#***

**Second Reading Hebrews 5:7-9**

During his life on earth, Christ offered up prayer and entreaty, aloud and in silent tears, to the one who had the power to save him out of death, and he submitted so humbly that his prayer was heard. Although he was Son, he learnt to obey through suffering; but having been made perfect, he became for all who obey him the source of eternal salvation.

The word of the Lord

**Gospel Acclamation**

**R: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

If a man serves me, says the Lord, he must follow me;

Wherever I am, my servant will be there too.

**R: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you. **All: And with your Spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ….

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel John 12:20-33**

Among those who went up to worship at the festival were some Greeks. These approached Philip, who came from Bethsaida in Galilee, and put this request to him, ‘Sir, we should like to see Jesus.’ Philip went to tell Andrew, and Andrew and Philip together went to tell Jesus. Jesus replied to them:

‘Now the hour has come for the Son of Man to be glorified.

I tell you, most solemnly,

unless a wheat grain falls on the ground and dies,

it remains only a single grain;

but if it dies, it yields a rich harvest.

Anyone who loves his life loses it;

anyone who hates his life in this world

will keep it for the eternal life.

If a man serves me, he must follow me,

wherever I am, my servant will be there too.

If anyone serves me, my Father will honour him.

Now my soul is troubled.

What shall I say:

Father, save me from this hour?

But it was for this very reason that I have come to this hour.

Father, glorify your name!’

A voice came from heaven, ‘I have glorified it, and I will glorify it again.’ People standing by, who heard this, said it was a clap of thunder; others said, ‘It was an angel speaking to him.’ Jesus answered, ‘It was not for my sake that this voice came, but for yours.

‘Now sentence is being passed on this world;

now the prince of this world is to be overthrown.

And when I am lifted up from the earth,

I shall draw all men to myself.’

By these words he indicated the kind of death he would die.

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord.

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

**Liturgy of the Eucharist:**

C: Pray, brethren….

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of his name**

**for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**C**: The Lord be with you **All:** **and with your Spirit**

**C**: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: it is right and just.**

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Lord’s Prayer: Our** **Father**…

**C:** ……. And the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**C:** Behold the Lamb of God…….

**All: Lord, I am not worthy**

**that you should enter under my roof,**

**but only say the word**

**and my soul shall be healed.**

***(Before the Celebrant receives Communion, he will elevate the Host and* then elevate the *Chalice. Holy Communion then follows the Concluding Rites.)***

**C: THE BODY OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**C: THE BLOOD OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**C: Let us Pray……….**

**C:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

C:May Almighty God bless you,

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**Priest:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

**All: Thanks be to God.**