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Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord, Year A -

1st - 2nd April 2023

Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names. **Phil 2:8-9**

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Mon 3rd April

Confessions 8.45 and then until 10.15 after Mass
Mass 9.15

Tues 4th April No Mass

Wed 5th April 7.30 pm

Thurs 6th April – Maundy Thursday

Confessions 7pm; Mass at 7.30pm

Friday 7th April- Good Friday

Children's Liturgy 10am

Solemn Liturgy of the Passion of the Lord 3pm

Saturday 8th April – Holy Saturday

Easter basket blessing 10am

Easter Vigil 8pm

Sunday 9th April – Easter Sunday

Mass 10am

EASTER COLLECTION

Traditionally this forms part of the parish priest's income. Please take an envelope or donate on the contactless machine.

EASTER BASKET BLESSING

The traditional blessing of 'Easter Food Baskets' will take place on Holy Saturday 8th April at 10am in Our Lady and St. Anne's Church. All are very welcome.

HOT CROSS BUNS

Do come for a hot cross bun and a drink after Mass on Sunday.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY GOOD FRIDAY SESSION

Join us in church at 10am on Friday 7th April for a special Good Friday session. A variety of crafts & activities will be followed by refreshments incl. hot cross buns. All welcome; activities will be aimed at children of primary school age.

WORLD YOUTH DAY QUIZ

23rd April in Cenacle. Tickets £6pp.

6.30pm start. More details on poster in narthex.

WEEKLY PARISH INCOME

26/2/23

C'tless: £160.00

Loose plate £409.66

Candles cash £69.50

Weekly S Orders: £590

5/3/23

C'less: £ 95.00

Loose plate £415.70

Our Lady's Lamp 30.00

Cath. Maint £141.90

Weekly S Orders: £590

COTHAM ENSEMBLE FROM BRISTOL

Following their previous very successful visit we are delighted to welcome back to St Anne's the Cotham Ensemble on **Saturday 15th April @7pm** for an evening of String quintet music by Schubert and Holst as well as items by Quilter and Vaughan Williams from our own Cantor, David accompanied by Seth.

Tickets £10 [via Eventbrite] on sale from today. Access the Eventbrite page at:

<https://cothamatcaversham.eventbrite.co.uk>

the parish website or search with

Eventbrite Cotham Caversham. Please do all you can to share with friends and family. Everybody welcome.

RECORD BREAKERS: Yet again we absolutely smashed it with £3276 (incl Gift aid) raised on our big Lent Walk. This makes our walk the biggest lent fundraiser nationwide for Cafod. In what felt like an amazing day, we did our parish, our city and our faith proud, again. For those who were there, and who sponsored us, thank you - you were part of something very special. For those who were not, there is next time!"

PARISH MUSIC GROUP. ALL CHANGE!

After over 25 years at the helm, Cathy and Chris Carr are stepping down from leading the parish music group at the end of July.

If you believe this is an exciting possibility for yourself, or you know of someone who would be perfect, please have a chat with anyone from the group after Mass. Cathy & Chris are keen to provide some guidance & support for anybody who is interested in leading a new group.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5th April Big Church clean for Easter

15th April Cotham Ensemble

23rd April St George's Day quiz

18th June Glass Ensemble Concert [choir] in church



OUR LADY'S LAMP

This week's lamp is lit for:

Sr Sheila

Please remember her in your prayers.

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Background on the Sunday Readings

Praise to you, O Christ, King of eternal glory!

As we begin Holy Week, our readings take us from the joy and Hosannas of Jesus's triumphant entry into Jerusalem to a profound contemplation of his suffering and death.

In the First Reading from Isaiah we meet the suffering servant: the disciple who suffers without offering resistance, but is supported by God so that he can bring life to others.

The Psalm will accompany us through the week, as well as being quoted by Matthew in our Gospel. It foreshadows Jesus's sufferings but also hints at his future glory.

The Second Reading is a wonderful hymn which underlines Jesus's divinity, but also his obedience and suffering before his exaltation and glory.

In the Gospel we hear the Passion narrative of St Matthew, in which Jesus is betrayed, mocked, denied, accused and crucified. His body is laid in the tomb, and a guard is placed to secure it.

This week, may we follow Christ in his Passion, holding each other, and our suffering and tortured world, in prayer. May Mary be with us in this journey and help us understand the value of following the example of her Son.

Taken from: <https://stbeunosoutreach.wordpress.com/prego/>

Mass Intentions

Holy Week

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord

Year A

Saturday	1 st April	5.30pm	Mr Stuart Forte RIP
Sunday	2 nd April	10.00am	People of the parish

Monday	3 rd April	8.45am	Confessions
<i>Monday of Holy Week</i>		9.15am	Margaret Saucell RIP
		9.45 - 10.15am	Confessions

Tuesday	4 th April	No Mass
<i>Tuesday of Holy Week</i>		

Wednesday	5 th April	7.30pm	For the tears shed by the Blessed Virgin Mary
<i>Wednesday of Holy Week</i>			

Thursday	6 th April	7.00pm	Confessions
<i>Maundy Thursday</i>		7.30pm	Jim & Sheila Finn

Friday	7 th April	10.00am	Children's Liturgy
<i>Good Friday</i>		12.00noon	Stations of the Cross
		3.00pm	Solemn liturgy of the Passion of the Lord

Saturday	8 th April	10.00am	Blessing of Easter Baskets
<i>Holy Saturday</i>			

Solemnity of the Resurrection Year A of the Lord

Saturday	8 th April	8.00pm	People of the parish
Sunday	2 nd April	10.00am	Brendan O'Rourke RIP