

NEWS AND VIEWS

Holy Week/Easter Schedule

Palm Sunday 28th Weekend Masses as usual: NO PALM

PROCESSION. Palms will be blessed before Mass and received as we exit the Church at the end of Mass.

Tuesday 30th 12noon Chrism Mass at the Cathedral.

7pm Penitential Service/Confessions (Guest Priests would be available).

Maundy Thursday 1st April 8pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper.

There will be **Renewal of Commitment by Eucharistic Ministers & Readers** at this Mass.

NO NIGHT WATCH.

Good Friday 2nd 3:00pm & 7pm Celebration of the Lord's

Passion: Services begin with Stations of the Cross.

Holy Saturday 3rd 7pm Easter Vigil Mass. NO CEREMONY

OF THE LIGHT. Mass begins inside the Church with Easter Proclamation.

Easter Sunday 4th Masses at 9am & 11:30am. NO EVENING MASS

Parish Website: Our new parish website is up and running, please visit it and make observations. We would like to thank Florian for seeing this through. Visit us at www.stgabes.uk

Planned Giving Envelopes: The few envelopes are ready for collection after every Mass from Sunday **21st March**. For more updates, please speak with the Parish office team.

Spring Clock Goes Forward next Sunday on the 28th of March

First Holy Communion dates: Mar. 28th, April 18th, 25th, May 9th, 22nd, 23rd, June 6th, 13th, 20th, 26th (**Reconciliation & rehearsals**), 27th (**Celebration of 1st Holy Communion at 3pm**)

Live-streamed Masses via ZOOM/Facebook on Weekdays at 7pm: We have successfully started this for our spiritual nourishment even while we are at home or at work. It is also very easy to join the Mass through Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/ArchwayParish/> Online Stations of the Cross will be at 6.30pm on Fridays followed by the Mass at 7pm. God bless you as you join us. The Mass will be quiet, prayerful and in 25 minutes. **Zoom link for weekday evening Masses @ 7pm GMT beginning Monday 8th March**, is below;

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85921527142?pwd=L05jUHk4QWovWVQzSVpkNkZ3SG13dz09>
Meeting ID: **859 2152 7142**
Passcode: **071411**

Christian Stewardship: (14th March 2021)
Envelopes: £214 Loose: £397.86. We also receive £520 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.

March Diary

Fridays of Lent: **Stations of the Cross** at 9.30am followed by Mass at 10am. Online Stations/Mass @ 7pm

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We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



The temporary Sunday School teacher was struggling to open a combination lock on the supply cabinet. She had been told the combination, but couldn't quite remember it. She went to the priest's study and asked for help. The priest came into the room and began to turn the dial. After the first two numbers he paused and stared blankly for a moment. Finally he looked serenely heavenward and his lips moved silently. Then he looked back at the lock, and quickly turned to the final number, and opened the lock. The teacher was amazed. "I'm in awe at your faith father," she said. "It's really nothing," he answered. "The number is on a piece of tape on the ceiling."



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+ 5th Sunday of Lent Time
21st March 2021



We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

As we celebrate the 5th Sunday of Lent, we are gradually drawing closer to the peak of our event i.e. "The Pascal Mystery" (Suffering, death and Resurrection of Christ) which is the focus of our journey this season. This fact reflects in all the readings of this Sunday. Christ is ready to offer everything for our salvation. So, we too must be willing to offer all for him and for others. The gospel this Sunday takes us closer to the focal point of the season. Christ himself tells us: "Now the hour has come for the son of man to be glorified." What glory is there in suffering? He is about to be arrested, scourged and killed, yet he talks about glory. Jesus saw beyond the pangs of pain and sufferings to enjoy eternal life. He knew that his suffering and death would bring life to many. So, rather than being discouraged by the temporary situation of suffering, he was encouraged and motivated by the honest reward of eternal life. Hence, Christ offered his suffering and life in order to restore a broken covenant and eternal life for all who believe in him. Jesus through His pascal mystery invites us to be strong along the path of life. He wants us to be where He is. So, we must be ready to endure as He did.

Mass Times & Intentions

21st – 27th March 2021

Sat 20th Vigil 6:30pm: Michael O'Brien (RIP), Joan Fitzgerald (special birthday), May O'Neill, Ella Humphreys, Martin Gibbons, Babs Kavanagh (INT)

Sun 21st 9:00am: Paulette Guérin, John Greaney, Willie McCleary (RIP), Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys (INT)

11:30am: Peter McAree, Pat Quinn, Tess McNaney, Bridie Redmond, Eugene Heavey, Marion Feehan, Mary & Tom Doyle, John Fahey, May & Willie McGowan (RIP), Compton Munian, Jean Willis (3rd), Stan Willis, Ronaldo Hadvc, Rita Rattigan (3rd) (ANN), Chris Baxter (INT)

6:30pm: Michael O'Brien, Tom & Loretta Keenan (RIP), Mary McCarthy (2nd) (ANN)

Mon 22nd 9:30am: Rose & J.J. McGrath (RIP), Ellen & Martin Togher, Michael Togher (ANN), Spencer Stilwell, Jeremy Platten, Margaret Togher, Louis McDonnell, Tony Glackin (INT)

7:00pm (Online)

Tue 23rd St. Turibius of Mongrovejo 9:30am: Charlie Ward (ANN), Joan Fitzgerald (special birthday) (INT)

7:00pm (Online)

Wed 24th 9:30am: Joan Fitzgerald (special birthday) (INT) 7:00pm (Online)

Thur 25th The Annunciation of the Lord 9:30am: Pietro Piroli, Carlo Avanzi, Freddy Joy (RIP), Sylvia Perren, Karen May (ANN), Ronnie Russell (INT) 7:00pm (Online)

Fri 26th St. Joseph 9:00am: Stations of the Cross followed by Mass: Mary & Peter Hehir (ANN), Rhys Ronan, Paani Dias & family, (INT) 6:30pm (Online) Stations of the Cross followed by Mass

Sat 27th 9:30am: Ekanem & Uche Ekanem, Philip & Tunu Etim-Bassey, Amy Abetianbe (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Anne Quinlan, Ann Larkin, Philip O'Connor, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozvatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Diane Sewell, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Special intention, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Paani Dias, Anonymous

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

Parish Priests: Fr. Dr Ugo Ikwuka CSSp, Fr. Benedict Baka CSSp, Fr. Oliver Ugwu CSSp

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Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat. 11.30am & 6pm, **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary:** Sun. 10.30am, **Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction:** First Fridays (New time) 9.30am – 10.45pm. **Legion of Mary:** First Wed. 6.30pm, **Monday Prayer Group:** 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

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.

OPENING PRAYER

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 50)

R. 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 Hebrew 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.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God!

If a man serves me, says the Lord, he must follow me; Wherever I am, my servant will be there too.

Glory to you, O Christ, you are the Word of God.

GOSPEL John 12:20-30

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 indicate the kind of death he would die.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Hear us, almighty God, and, having instilled in your servants the teachings of the Christian faith, graciously purify them by the working of this sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Amen, Amen, I say to you: Unless a grain of wheat falls to the ground and dies, it remains a single grain. But if it dies, it bears much fruit.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray, almighty God, that we may always be counted among the members of Christ, in whose Body and Blood we have communion. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Jeanette Fayers
Rachel McGonigal
Mark Renner
Tracey Shevlin

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers/Bernie S
Gabriel Essien-Oku / Essien Ekpenyong-Oku
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Precious Ohiambe

FEAST OF THE WEEK



St. Turibius of Mogrovejo

Feast Day: 23 March

The 16th century bishop upheld the rights of Peru's indigenous peoples, and became one of the first canonised saints of the Americas. Turibius was born in Spain during 1538, to a noble family in the kingdom of Leon. He frequently prayed, fasted, and gave to the poor, even as a child, and eventually developed the daily habit of praying the Rosary along with the Little Office of the Blessed Virgin Mary. He went on to study law at the University of Salamanca, and eventually served as a judge for five years in the territory of Granada. His judicial wisdom and diligence drew the attention of King Philip II, who wanted Turibius – who was still a layman – to be consecrated as a missionary archbishop for the Spanish colony of Peru. He also defended the rights of the Indians, who were suffering severely under Spanish occupation. He founded schools, churches, hospitals and the first seminary in the New World. In 1606, he became seriously ill. He sensed that his death was imminent and decreed that his possessions should be distributed to the poor. A year after he died his body was found to be incorrupt. He was declared a saint in 1726, and is now regarded as the patron of native peoples' rights and Latin American bishops. He was canonised in 1726

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise You,
We bless You,
We adore you,
We glorify You,
We give You thanks for Your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;
He descended into hell;
on the third day He rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;
from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the Holy Catholic Church,
the communion of Saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Key Notes:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Percy Aggett (Temporary) 02077989350 **Email:** tollingtonparksg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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