



..... Havant Pastoral Area
Catholic Parish of St. Joseph's, Havant and Emsworth
Saturday, 27th March - Sunday, 4th April, 2010.
Palm Sunday

Holy Week in the Home

Attached to the newsletter is a special leaflet for use at home during Holy Week. There is a simple liturgy for each day which will only take a few minutes at the main meal time. The liturgies are ideal for all families especially for those with young children.

Michael Grufferty RIP

Fr. Tom wishes to thank all those who have offered sympathy on the sudden death of his brother, Michael, in Reading last Sunday. Michael's funeral Mass will be at the Church of Christ the King, Reading, at 12 noon on Wednesday, 31st March.

May he rest in peace.

'Portsmouth People'

The current edition of the free diocesan paper is now available. Please pick up your copy after Mass.

Newsletter

Please note that next weekend's newsletter will contain all the news information for the following two weeks. If you need anything included please make sure it arrives no later than Wednesday, 31st.

The newsletter will resume on 17th/18th April.

'The Crucifixion' by John Stainer

Palm Sunday at 6.30pm in St. Faith's Church, Havant. Featuring combined choirs of St. Faith's and St. John's, Westbourne.

The Passion of Christ

On Good Friday, 2nd April, there will be a showing of Mel Gibson's masterpiece of The Passion in St. Joseph's Church at 6.00pm. The film takes two hours and there will be a short break for black tea/coffee. Admission is free. Cushions are recommended. Everybody is welcome.

'Just Listen'

Do you wish to sharpen your listening skills? Two workshops for two hours on Thursday, 10th and 17th June at Havant Meeting Place. For more information, please contact Rev. Bill Stillwell on (023) 9248 0150 or Marilyn Browne at the Meeting Place.

A Thought For Passion Sunday

During this most important week in the church's year we can either decide to be spectators like the crowds who watched from afar, or we can join actively in the liturgy and ask that God's Spirit may renew us in our commitment to dying and rising with Christ.

Day by day, and especially during the Triduum, the choice is ours.

Blessing of Bread

The Polish people have a wonderful custom of blessing bread on Holy Saturday. We will bless the bread on Saturday, 3rd April at 11.00am in St. Joseph's.

Car Boot Sale, 5th April

9.00am to 12 noon. Help needed in the kitchen and to run the church table. Even an hour would be greatly appreciated. All offers to Deirdre on (023) 9247 6230.

Jumble Sale, Saturday, 24th April

11.00am to 1.00pm. Help is

needed to set up on the Friday from 10.00am to 2.00pm and also on the day. Offers of help to Deirdre on (023) 9248 2630. Please clearly mark all nearly new clothes.

Parish Soup Lunch

Our next parish soup lunch will be on Wednesday, 7th April following Mass at St. Joseph's. Everyone is welcome.

Gift Aid Envelopes

New sets of Gift Aid envelopes are available for the new financial year. These are named and numbered and those who use these envelopes are asked to collect theirs. The numbered boxes should be the same as the current year. Other envelopes (un-named) are also available.



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Mail Drop

People living in St. James Road and Church Path, Emsworth will receive a letter from the parish this week with our prayers and best wishes.

Easter Gardens and Bonnets

All the children are invited to make Easter gardens or Easter bonnets for Easter Sunday this year. Both must contain some aspect of the Easter story. Three prizes for each category will be given at the 9.00am Mass at Emsworth and the 11.00am Mass in Havant.

Passover Meal

St. Michael & All Angels, Leigh Park, on Sunday, 28th March at 6.00pm. Tickets from Shirley O'Neill on (023) 9279 6703.

Havant Light Opera Concert

Wednesday, 21st April, Havant United Reformed Church at 7.00pm. Proceeds to Christian Aid. Tickets £5 from the presbytery.

Reconciliation

Saturdays, Ss. Thomas' at 11.00am and at St. Joseph's at 7.30pm.

St. Joseph's Church Cleaning

All church cleaners are called on to spring clean St. Joseph's Church on Thursday, 1st April at 9.30am. Many thanks.

'Living Faith'

The next edition for April to June 2010 is now available, price £1.

Kay Pryke RIP

Kay died recently in Chichester. She was a member for many years of Ss. Thomas and she cleaned the church too. Her funeral took place in St. Richard's, Chichester. May she rest in peace.

Paul Barnett RIP

We offer our sincere and heartfelt sympathy to Mark, Anthea and Olivia Barnett on the sudden death of Paul. His Requiem Mass will take place at the Church of Our Lady of the Assumption, Bosham Lane, Bosham on Wednesday, 7th April at 2.00pm. May she rest in peace. All welcome.

Running in Memory of David Orde (by Erika Meades)

David Orde was Head Teacher of St. Thomas More's School from 1986 and through the 90's and employed me as a newly qualified teacher in 1992. In February last year David died of cancer. In memory of David, I am running the South Downs relay marathon this year, with three members of my family (each taking one leg of approximately 6.5 miles over some very steep hills), to raise money for St. Wilfrid's Hospice in Chichester. The hospice cared for David in his final days and continues to support his family even now. This Easter, instead of eating chocolate, we'll be training up and down those hills to prepare for the big day in June.

If you feel you could offer any donations towards our cause, no matter how small, (and every £1 really does count), or you would like to find out more, you can do so on our sponsor page at www.justgiving.com/doingit4david

Thank you for any support you can offer us. Seeing the donations and messages of support really does spur us on.

Diary

Saturday, 27th/Sunday, 28th (Palm Sunday) - please note the clocks go forward one hour.

Sunday, 28th - 4.00pm Preparation for Easter.

Monday, 29th - 7.30pm Parish Reconciliation Service.

(For all other Holy Week and Easter Services, see the special leaflet available at the back of the church)

Wednesday, 12th May - Table top sale in aid of the Association of the Sisters of Christ mission in Cameroon. More details to follow.

Mass Times at St. Joseph's

Sat, 27th - 6.30pm Vigil Mass
(Paula Allerton RIP)

Sun, 28th, Palm Sunday - 11.00am Mass
(Brian Parker RIP)

Mon, 29th - 9.30am Mass

Weds, 31st - 9.30am Mass

Maundy Thursday, 1st - 7.30pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
(Walter & Kathleen Kenna RIP)

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

Sat, 3rd, Holy Saturday - 6.30pm Easter Vigil
(People of the Parish)

Sun, 4th, Easter Sunday - 11.00am Mass
(Thomas Bernard Ryan RIP)

Mass Times at Ss. Thomas'

Sun, 28th, Palm Sunday - 9.00am Mass
(Bertie Pembrey RIP)

Sun, 28th, Palm Sunday - 6.00pm Mass
(Michael Grufferty RIP)

Sun, 4th, Easter Sunday - 9.00am Mass
(Leonard & Phyllis Woodward RIP)

Sun, 4th, - 6.00pm Mass
(Stephen Walsh RIP)

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