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**28th March 2021**

**PALM SUNDAY**

**MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS**

Sat 27 Mar	5.30 pm	St George's	Margaret Ellis RIP
Sun 28 Mar	9.30 am	St George's	Harold Dunkerley & Family RIP
	11.15 am	Holy Spirit	The Gascoyne Family, for good health
	6.00 pm	St George's	Michael Donovan RIP
Mon 29 Mar	9.30 am	St George's	Phil Mason, for good health
Tue 30 Mar	9.30 am	St George's	Eddie Wynne (in Ireland) for good health
Wed 31 Mar	9.30 am	St George's	Fr Tim O'Sullivan, birthday
Thu 01 Apr	9.30 pm	St George's	Mary Moffit RIP ]MAUNDY
	7.00 pm	St George's	Irene Woods RIP ]THURSDAY
	7.00 pm	Holy Spirit	
Fri 02 Apr	3.00 pm	St George's	GOOD FRIDAY service with Holy Communion
Sat 03 Apr	5.30 pm	St George's	Ben Parnham RIP EASTER VIGIL with blessing of the Fire & Water & 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Easter
Sun 04 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	Anthony Small RIP (Wolverhampton)
	11.15 am	Holy Spirit	People of the Parish & Clergy
	6.00 pm	St George's	Mary Moffit RIP

Today is **Palm Sunday**, the day we hear the Passion of Jesus. But this day is about much more than simply reading or hearing the passion. This is the beginning of the time when we walk with Jesus in his sorrow, his fears and his suffering. *I have set my face like flint, knowing that I shall not be put to shame* - these words from the Prophet Isaiah speak very strongly of the experience of this Palm Sunday of the Lord's



Passion. This Sunday we begin Holy Week and in a very special way, we try to walk with our Lord and understand His sufferings so that we can understand His love for us. We should be able to understand why Jesus must set his face like flint. He has already seen in His heart the suffering that will be His this week. He knows that He wants to accept that suffering for our salvation. He knows that people will oppose Him—not only His enemies but also His friends. He chooses to suffer for us and to accept all suffering so that we may live. Lots of us have opportunities to suffer and to offer our lives for others. Quite often we refuse to accept that suffering. Instead, we will try every way to get out of the suffering. Jesus understands us. He also prayed to the Father to avoid suffering, but in the end He says to the Father: *Your will be done*. So Let us walk with Jesus on this Palm Sunday. The love that we can give to Him is to say with Him as our prayer "Your will be done". God Bless. Fr Alan

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER:** All Easter services for the Paschal Triduum, are now bookable on the Diocese booking website. Any problems using this booking service or if you have no access to the internet, please contact Karan on 07968059768 - office hours 10am -3pm. The closing date for booking places for the Holy Week liturgies at St Georges and Holy Spirit will be the Monday of Holy Week (29th March) so please book early to avoid disappointment.



<b>Holy Thursday Mass - 01/04/2021</b>	St. George's Church, Derby- 7:00pm Holy Spirit, Sinfín - 7:00pm
<b>Good Friday Liturgy - 02/04/2021</b>	St. George's - 3:00pm
<b>Stations of the Cross &amp; Liturgy</b>	Holy Spirit Sinfín- 7.00pm
<b>Easter Vigil - 03/04/2021</b>	St George's Church - 5:30pm
<b>Easter Sunday - 04/04/2021</b>	St. George's Church - 9:30am & 6:00pm Holy Spirit, Sinfín - 11:15am

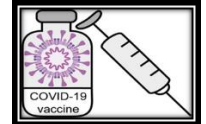
**CONFESSIONS - SATURDAY ONLY 10:15 - 10:45.**

**THE SECOND COLLECTION AT EASTER MASSES** is your Easter Offering towards the support of your clergy. Please leave your Offertory collection and Easter offering in the two baskets provided, as directed by the stewards. There are Easter offering envelopes available this weekend. Please take one if you do not have Offertory envelopes.

**RECENT DEATHS:** Please pray for Margaret Ellis, Mary Moffit, Anne Keating and Irene Woods who have died recently. We extend our sincere sympathies to their families and promise of prayers. *Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.* The funeral service for Margaret Ellis will take place at St George's on Tuesday, 30 March. The COVID safe guidelines are for 30 mourners. The family decide who can attend apart from church people with a role to serve.

**VACCINE INFORMATION IN COMMUNITY LANGUAGES**

NHS doctors, nurses and other frontline staff have come forward to help reassure communities that COVID-19 vaccines are safe, effective and have been independently tested to the highest standards. NHS staff have recorded messages in some of the most commonly spoken languages, apart from English, of the importance of getting vaccinated. They explain how the vaccine is given, and give clear evidence that the vaccines work and are safe. To view the information, please visit the following link: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/london/our-work/covid-19-vaccine-communication-materials/>



**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER:** The Sacred Triduum, the Holy three days of Easter time are very close. On Maundy Thursday we celebrate the Mass of the Lord's Supper, when Jesus gave us the Holy Eucharist Himself, for us, under the appearance of bread, broken for us and wine, his blood poured out for us, on the night before he died for us. There will be Masses at 7 pm at both St George's and Holy Spirit Churches. On Good Friday, we have a reading of the Passion of Christ (a short form this year) with adoration of the cross, prayers and Holy Communion. Be sure to book for this 3 pm service. At Holy Spirit at 7 pm there will be opportunity for Devotions for those who cannot make the 3 pm service at St George's. The Easter Vigil will take place at St George's at 5.30 pm on Saturday night. It will be very much curtailed from the usual Vigil Service but the first Mass of Easter will be celebrated. For those who are not coming to church because of the COVID concerns, there will be lots of opportunities for services from a wide number of churches. *We wish you all a prayerful celebration of Holy Week and Easter.*

**TO ALL VOLUNTEERS IN THE PARISH:**

It is now a year since Covid-19 started and changed our lives forever. It also changed the way we come to church and worship. I really want to thank every volunteer who has for the last year worked hard at keeping us safe, keeping the church clean and ensuring we comply with all the Covid-19 regulations. Your roles as Volunteers have been invaluable to our parish and we wouldn't be open without you. I want to extend my gratitude to each and every one of you. I know we are all looking forward to the day when things get back to normal but until that happens we need our wonderful volunteers. Fr Alan.

