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SYNOD 2023: THE NEXT TWO YEARS IN THE LIFE OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH
Synod 2021-2023 Remember that the Holy Father is inviting the whole Church, and every person at Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St. Joseph's to prayerfully discern together and offer recommendations on how best our Church can grow in Communion, Participation and Mission. For more information visit <https://rcaos.org.uk/synod>

Mass Times, Intentions and Information

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| SUNDAY 10TH April 2022 – PALM SUNDAY - YEAR C 10am: Nam Buu Tran Birthday Thanksgiving 12:00: Suraj Goonewardene Thanksgiving | THURSDAY 14TH April 2022 – MAUNDY THURSDAY 8.00pm: Brian Joyce (FM 2) |
| MONDAY 11TH April 2022 – Monday of Holy Week 10am: No Eucharistic Service | FRIDAY 15TH April 2022 – GOOD FRIDAY A day Fasting and Abstinence 3.00pm: Passion of Christ 7.00pm Stations of the Cross |
| TUESDAY 12TH April 2022 – Tuesday of the Holy Week 9.30a: Rosary 10am: Pius Aigbogun RIP | SATURDAY 16TH April 2022 – HOLY SATURDAY 8,00pm: For the People of the Parish |
| WEDNESDAY 13TH April 2022 – Wednesday of the Holy Week 10.00:am No Mass | SUNDAY 17TH April 2022 – EASTER SUNDAY - YEAR C 10am: Birthday Thanksgiving for Ese Obrikogbo 12:00: People of the Parish |

Mass at Sacred Heart Parish: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays at 10am

As is customary, your Easter Offering is a personal offering to your clergy. Please take an Easter Envelope for your offering for them at the back of the Church

Marriage Papers/Preparation: All couples planning to get married in the UK or abroad are required to notify the Parish Priest at least 6 (Six) months before the date of the wedding. We will not undertake to process marriage papers that are less than this required time. It is advisable that couples demonstrate that they are active in the parish.

The Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies:
An internationally recognised course, primarily for those involved in education. The Agency team and external tutors will deliver the CCRS via Zoom and in-person at the Amigo Hall, London. For 2021-2022 the price will be £45/module or £350 for the full course. The fees will increase from September 2022. All interested are encouraged to book their place for this year to save on the fee. Full dates and other info: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/ccrs>

PASSION PLAY: All are invited to a Passion play by St Boniface Youth, Tooting at St Boniface Parish Hall today Sunday 10th at 7.30pm.. Please contact at 0208 672 2345 for Ticket (£1.00)

Holy Father's Intention for April 2022: Health Care Workers. We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

HOSPITAL CONTACTS If you or a member of your family are admitted to one of the local hospitals, do please let the hospital's Catholic chaplain know.
St George's Hospital: Fr Mark Higgins (020 8725 3069).
St Heliers and Epsom Hospital: Fr Philip Pak (020 8296 2000)
Kingston Hospital: Fr Tony Oleh (020 8546 7711)
Guy's and St. Thomas Hospital: Fr Jake Dicto (020 7188 5588)
Chelsea and Westminster Hospital: Call the Chaplaincy (020 3315 083 Emea: 07659 140 566)

Offertory Collection: Thank you for your generosity, this week's second collection is for the needs of the Parish

CONTACT THE PARISH PRIEST: If you want to have talk with Father Peter, please send him an e-mail: peterpagac@rcaos.org.uk or phone him on 0207 223 2747 and he will arrange a good meeting time for you to see him.

COVID 19. Please note that in this church facemasks and hand sanitiser are in use. Clearly parishioners who care for the health of their neighbour, as well as their own, will consider very carefully the advantages of continuing to sanitise their hands and of wearing a mask in church, it must be a mask covering nose and face. Whatever you think, thank you for thinking of others before yourself. Hands face

Eucharistic Adoration: Takes place on Fridays with confessions throughout the Lent, From 6.00 to 7.00pm. You are all welcome for a quiet time of prayer.

SAFEGUARDING: If you want to take up a ministry in the parish premises working with children or adults, you must have a DBS clearance-this is an essential safeguarding procedure that we must follow by British Law. Only Readers are excepted.

Parish Diary and Reflection

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| Sunday – El Shaddai Prayer – 1:00 – 3:30pm | Saturday - Youth Practice 1:00 - 3:00pm Choir Practice:1:00 - 5:00pm |
| First Friday of the Month: Adoration & Benediction | Tea and Coffee: Cancelled until further Notice |

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This Sunday, called Palm or Passion Sunday, is the first day of Holy Week. Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and the Easter Vigil on Holy Saturday are called the Triduum, three days that are the highlight of the Church year. There are two Gospels proclaimed at today's Mass. The first Gospel, proclaimed before the procession with palms, tells of Jesus' triumphant entrance into Jerusalem. Riding on a borrowed colt, Jesus was hailed by the crowds as they shouted blessings and praise to God. This event is reported in each of the four Gospels

In the first reading From the third servant Song of Isaiah 50:4-7, Jesus saw aspects of his own life and mission foreshadowed in the Servant Songs, and the Church refers to them in this time of solemn meditation on the climax of Jesus' life.

The second readings from Philippians 2:6-11 is an ancient Christian hymn representing a very early Christian understanding of who Jesus is, and of how his mission saves us from sin and death. This reading reminds us that our Lord willingly surrendered himself to experience suffering and humiliation for our sake. He did not cling to His divinity but became man in order to redeem men. He humbled himself further in His humanity to be enslaved like a servant, obediently embracing suffering, and death and crucifixion for our sake. **WHAT ELSE HAS GOD NOT DONE FOR US . LET US STOP HUMILIATING HIM FURTHER BY OUR SINFUL LIVES.**

Our gospel today is on the Last supper of Christ with his disciples. At the Last Supper, Christ humbled himself by serving his disciples and eating at the same table with the one who was to betray him. "And yet behold the hand of the one who is to betray me is with me on table." In spite of all these, he taught his disciples to humble themselves just as he humbled himself before Pilate and the chief priests even till death.

Let the experience of this Holy week strengthen us in our various difficulties and challenges of life. Suffering and pain is an inevitable part of human experience, no one wants to experience it but, many tries to avoid it at all cost. But the Holy week reminds us that it is through suffering that we enter into victory. Without the cross there cannot be a crown. So be strong child of God in your sufferings, don't deny Christ because of your hard experiences because if you remain strong and faithful to Him, you will also share in His victory someday

In all of these, the lesson for us today is that humility is very important in all circumstances of life. This includes both at good and bad times. Christ was strong, but he humbly became weak for our salvation. He taught us that true power lies in sacrifice and service. He also taught us that humility is one of the most important virtues we need for our service and mission.

During his triumphant entry Christ rode on a colt which symbolizes humility. In his suffering, Christ abandoned himself to his enemies without resistance or striking back. Let us therefore pray this Sunday that the Almighty God may grant us the humility with which to follow and serve Christ all the days of our life.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM To baptise your child please hone the Parish Office to book for the class, arrange a date and time of baptism. We request ALL PARENTS, who wish to get their child baptised, to bring their own baptism certificates as proof that they are Catholics, a copy of their child's birth certificate and proof of address along with the Baptism Form collected at the back of the church. **GODPARENTS** will need to bring their baptism certificate to proof they are practicing Catholics

MONEY COUNTERS: We are looking for volunteers to count money on Sunday after 12.00noon Mass. If you are interested, please get in touch with the Marion Goonewardene or the Parish Office

Stations of the Cross: We have every Sunday at 4.30pm throughout the Lent. A priest will be round to hear confessions

EASTER PROGRAMME OLMC 2022

Palm Sunday: Masses: 10:00am and 12: 00pm

Spy Wednesday, Mass of Chrism: 11:30pm
in the Cathedral

Holy Thursday Mass of last Supper: 8:00pm
Watching till 10:00pm

Good Friday: Passion of the Lord: 3:00pm
Stations of the Cross 7:00pm

Holy Saturday: Easter Vigil in the Holy Night: 8:00pm

Easter Sunday: Mass 10:00am and 12:00pm

How To Have A Mass Offered: Please fill-in a Mass Intention envelope which you will find at the back of Church or alternatively you may ask a member of the parish Clergy for one. Once completed, place in the Collection bags on Sunday or hand it to any of the clergy, Parish Secretary or the Sacristan, or if during the week put it through the Priest's House letterbox. It is important that you use the pre-printed Mass Intention envelopes so that we know who has requested the Mass. Charity Number:1173050 **(PLEASE STOP COMING TO THE OFFICE ON SUNDAYS TO BOOK MASSES – USE THE ENVELOPES AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH)**