

ST JOSEPH'S, OLD ROAD, BROMYARD & ST ETHELBERT'S CHURCH, BARGATES, LEOMINSTER

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28 March 2021 Palm Sunday Year B

Sat 27 Mar	Vigil Mass	5.30pm Bromyard	Alice Devaney Int
Sun 28 Mar	PALM SUNDAY	9.00am Leominster 11.00am Bromyard 5.30pm Leominster	Graham Warburton (Everett) Tom Willis People of the Parish
Mon 29 Mar	Monday of Holy Week	9.00am Leominster	
Tue 30 Mar	Tuesday of Holy Week	9.00am Leominster	
Wed 31 Mar	Wednesday of Holy Week	3.00pm Bromyard	Funeral Service Arthur Vobe
Thur 1 Apr	MAUNDY THURSDAY	7.00pm Leominster	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri 2 Apr	GOOD FRIDAY	3.00pm Leominster 6.00pm Bromyard	Good Friday Service Good Friday Service
Sat 3 Apr	HOLY SATURDAY	5.30pm Bromyard	Easter Vigil

Sun 4 Apr	EASTER SUNDAY	9.00am Leominster 11.00am Bromyard 5.30pm Leominster	Alice Devaney Int People of the Parish
Mon 5 Apr	Octave of Easter	9.00am Leominster	Private Intention
Tue 6 Apr	Octave of Easter	9.00am Leominster	Sr Madeleine Sophie 75 years of Religious Profession
Wed 7 Apr	Octave of Easter		
Thur 8 Apr	Octave of Easter	10.00am Bromyard	Tom Willis
Fri 9 Apr	Octave of Easter	9.00am Leominster	
Sat 10 Apr	Vigil Mass	5.30pm Bromyard	
Sun 11 Apr	2nd Sunday of Easter	9.00am Leominster 11.00am Bromyard 5.30pm Leominster	John & Veronica Parr Intentions

HOLY WEEK

This week is Holy Week the most solemn week of the Church's year, and the week when we reflect in a particular way on the last week of Jesus' life. We celebrate the events that make us Christians as it is only through Jesus' suffering, death and resurrection that we are redeemed and will eventually see God face to face.

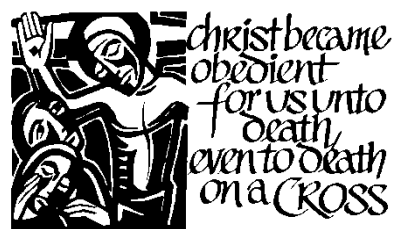
This year the celebration of the main services on Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil have had to be modified to comply with Covid recommendations.

Also the number of people we can accommodate at the services is greatly reduced due to the need to maintain social distancing. However, it is important that we mark this week in some way by reflecting on the central mysteries of our faith.

The following services will be 'zoomed'

Palm Sunday Vigil Mass 5.30pm Sat
Maundy Thursday Mass 7.00pm Thursday
Good Friday Service 6.00pm Friday
Easter Vigil 5.30pm Saturday

To join any of the Zoom Services click the link <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82796678240?pwd=T0JjL3VIYXVoTy9hRzQ3aWoraWZ2dz09> or enter the following on the Zoom App
Meeting ID: 827 9667 8240
Passcode: 260474



RIP

Please pray for the repose of the Arthur 'Jack' Vobe who has died recently. His funeral service will take place at St Joseph's on Wednesday at 3.00pm
May he rest in Peace

Holy Week and Easter at Bromyard

Palm Sunday 28 March

Vigil Mass 5.30pm (27 March)

Sunday Mass St Joseph's 11.00am

Good Friday 2nd April

Service 6.00pm

Holy Saturday 3rd April

Easter Vigil 5.30pm

Easter Sunday 4th April

Easter Mass St Joseph's 11.00am

There are still a few places available at the Saturday Mass for Palm Sunday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. To book a place please contact Dee, e-mail: thomasmdrb@btinternet.com mobile: 07711 289334

Holy Week and Easter at Leominster

Palm Sunday 28 March

Sunday Mass 9.00am

Sunday Mass 5.30pm

Maundy Thursday 1st April

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm

Good Friday 2nd April

Service 3.00pm

Easter Sunday 4th April

Easter Mass St Ethelbert's 9.00am

Easter Mass St Ethelbert's 5.30pm

There are still places available at each of the services at St Ethelbert's. To book a place please contact Fr Paul, Leominster@rcadc.org or 01568 612238

Good Friday

a. A reminder that Good Friday is a day of Fasting and abstinence.

b. This year we are not able to come forward to venerate the cross in the normal way. Instead you may wish to bring your own cross or crucifix to venerate at the appropriate time.

c. There will be a retiring collection for the Holy Places at the Good Friday Services

The Congregation for Oriental Churches has raised an awareness of the plight of Christians in the Holy Land. They say that during the past year, 'the Christians of those lands suffered an isolation that made them feel even more distant, cut off from vital contact with the brethren from various countries of the world. They have also suffered the loss of work, due to the absence of pilgrims, and the consequent difficulty in living with dignity and providing for their families and children.

Without support it will be difficult for many of them to resist the temptation to leave their country, more demanding to support the parishes in their pastoral and educational work and harder to sustain the social commitment to the poor and suffering'.

The Congregation is appealing to the Universal Church to support the small Christian community that lives in the Middle East and the upkeep of the Holy Places.

Hospital Chaplain

Fr Patrick Lobo is the Catholic Hospital Chaplain. His mobile number is 07922323603

Churches Together in Leominster

On Good Friday, we usually organise a Walk of Witness round the town. That obviously won't be possible this year, but we have arranged to have the cross from the Priory erected in Corn Square for the day. They would like to invite parishioners from all the churches to take a turn at standing by the Cross, in silent witness. If anyone would like to take part, they can contact Paul Scott on 01568 615223 or phandjscott@talktalk.net. They also need volunteers to carry the cross to and from the Priory.

Churches Together in Bromyard

This year we are not able to proceed with the Good Friday Walk of Witness around the town. In order to mark the day we are organising an ecumenical refecton which will be available on You Tube on Friday morning

The New Archdiocesan Evangelisation Programme


A few years ago there was a Diocesan Gathering to reflect on what it means to be a missionary parish or a living Christian Community and representatives from each parish were invited to attend. Following on from that gathering, The Diocesan Evangelisation Commission (DEC) has designed a new evangelisation Programme called "Spread the Gospel: Developing a Missionary Parish" and it would be really helpful if a few parishioners could take part in the programme.

It is a seven-week programme, running for one and half hours via Zoom on one evening a week and is open to all parishioners and clergy across the Archdiocese. The dates will be Wednesday, April 21st and 28th, May 5th, May 12th and May 19th, June 9th and June 16th 2021

For more information and to register for the Programme, please email Madeleine Walters at madeleine.walters@rcadc.org

Sunday Masses at Bromyard

After Easter we will continue to celebrate Mass at St Joseph's on Saturday at 5.30pm and Sunday at 11.00am. We will still have to comply with Covid restrictions which means that seating will be limited. To book a place at future Sunday Masses please contact Dee.



'Living God, you walk alongside us and speak to us throughout the Scriptures. Your Son, Jesus Christ, listens to our hopes and fears and shows us how to live for one another. Send us the Holy Spirit to open our hearts and minds so that we may be your witnesses throughout the world. (The Year of the God Who Speaks)

Prayer for a Spiritual Communion

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.
I love You above all things
and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally
come spiritually into my soul
so that I may unite myself wholly to You
now and forever. Amen.