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20 March – 28 March 2021

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Saturday	20 Mar	6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday: Elvina Parsons RIP (Ann.) Foundation Mass
Sunday		8.00am	Rita Nancy Foster RIP (Ann.) 5th SUNDAY OF LENT (YEAR B)
	21 Mar	10.00am	Eileen Darby RIP (Ann.) S & D Scowen
		12 Noon	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
		5.00pm	Good Estate of Raffaella DiMario
Monday	22 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Mary Downing RIP (Ann.)
Tuesday	23 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Michael Minton RIP – Julia Hudema
Wednesday	24 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Mary Ward's intention – Mrs Ward
Thursday	25 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Fr John McCormack RIP (Ann.) THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD
Friday	26 Mar	8.30am	EXPOSITION & ADORATION – Deliverance from the Pandemic
		9.00am	Margaret Warby RIP (Ann.) J Crowley
		2.00pm	Mgrs Michael and Joseph Dunne – Chelsea Cole
Saturday	27 Mar	10.00am	Good Estate of Labouchardiere - Labouchardiere
		6.30pm	First Mass of Sunday: Good Estate of Bridie McDonagh – Riata Usher
Sunday	28 Mar	8.00am	Simon Evans RIP – Christine Evans PALM SUNDAY
		10.00am	FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
		12 Noon	Good Estate of Anne McKinney - Greg
		5.00pm	HOLY SOULS

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: ON REQUEST

DAILY EXPOSITION: Mon to Fri 8.30am - 9.00am

TEA ROTA: ON HOLD

CLEANING TEAMS: TBC

RIP ANNIVERSARY: Margaret Manning, Lilian Corley, Michael O'Neill, Maureen Bentley, James Varley, Wladyslaw Cierpol, Eileen Darby, Rita Foster, Helen Hills, Teresa Broome, Dennis Traveller, Rose Maloney, John Hogan, Mary Downing, Ruth Jones, John Finney, Alexander Liddell, Viljem Kolsek, Canon Browne, Tracey Conlon, Mrs M Wareham, Albert Hill, George Jarvis, Doris Milburn, Fr John McCormack, Ellen Dando, Justyn McKenna, Bruno Powozinski, Matthew Dosumu and Margaret Duncombe – May they rest in peace.

THE EASTER TRIDUUM: Entering into the Pascal mystery, the Latin word Triduum refers to a period of three days and has long been used to describe various three-day observances that prepared for a feast day through liturgy, prayer, and fasting. But it is most often used to describe the three days prior to the great feast of Easter: Holy Thursday, Good Friday, and Holy Saturday and the Easter Vigil.

The general norms for the liturgical year state that the Easter Triduum begins with the evening mass of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday. Good Friday is the first full day of the Easter Triduum, a day commemorating the Passion, Cross and death of Jesus Christ. The ancient church celebrated Holy Saturday with strict fasting in preparation of the celebration of Easter. After sundown, the Christians would hold an all night vigil which concluded with baptism and Eucharist at the break of dawn.

EASTER SERVICES: This year, we are able to hold the Easter services with certain restrictions. One of these restrictions is the number of persons able to attend each service. In our parish, we are limited to sixty persons. For this reason, I would like those parishioners who wish to attend to ask for a card. You are required to give your name and phone number.

Should the service be oversubscribed, we will inform of a possible extra service at a later hour.

This possibility applies to a) The Mass of the Lord's Supper, b) Good Friday and c) the Easter Vigil.

You may ask for your ticket for any service or services you wish to attend. Our policy is first come, first served. Should the number of requests exceed the establishment quota by a reasonable number, a second service will be held. There will be time between one service and the next for church sanitisation.

GENERAL PRINCIPLES : SPECIFIC GUIDANCE FOR HOLY WEEK

PALM SUNDAY

The shorter form of the Passion from the Gospel of St Mark should be read in a dignified yet expeditious manner with or without multiple readers. The *turba* parts should not be exclaimed by the congregation. The palm branches blessed during the celebration of the liturgy should be distributed to the faithful as they leave the church after Mass.

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

The *Washing of the Feet* is to be omitted and there is to be no procession to the Altar of Repose. The priest and ministers may wish to spend some time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament in the Tabernacle before exiting the sanctuary. For reasons of safety, *Watching* in lieu of the Altar of Repose is not possible this year.

GOOD FRIDAY

The proclamation of the Passion according to St John should be read in a dignified yet expeditious manner with or without multiple readers. The *turba* parts should not be exclaimed by the congregation.

For *The Adoration of the Holy Cross*, the Cross can either be veiled or unveiled according to whether the first or second form of the *Showing* is used. It may be expedient to use the second form for ease. For the *Adoration*, the Veneration of the Cross is limited to the celebrant alone. After he has done this, he should “invite the people present in a few words to adore the Holy Cross and afterwards, holds the Cross elevated higher for a brief time, for the faithful to adore in silence.” (Rubrics #19). This may be expressed by the faithful through a short period of silent prayer, a gesture such as a genuflection or bow in their places, followed by another short period of silent prayer.

It is recommended that at all acts of worship on Good Friday in the churches of England and Wales, the opportunity for the faithful to contribute to the Holy See collection for the *Holy Places of Palestine* should be available.

THE EASTER VIGIL

For the celebration of the Easter Vigil, the Paschal candle should be prepared, enthroned and lit in the Sanctuary before the people gather in the church, or simply lit at the beginning of the celebration. The ministers should process in silence to the sanctuary where the Celebrant begins the celebration with the Sign of the Cross and the Greeting, *Dear brothers and sisters, on this most sacred night...*

At the end of the Greeting, the Easter Proclamation (the *Exsultet*) immediately follows, preferably using the Shorter Form. This is either said or sung by a single voice. The faithful should not have votive candles for the Easter Vigil.

The Liturgy of the Word follows. In order to expedite the liturgy in a dignified way, it is recommended that two Old Testament readings from both the Law and the Prophets with their respective psalms, in addition to the reading of Exodus 14 and its canticle (which may never be omitted) are used (Rubrics, #21). The homily, after the proclamation of the Gospel, is not to be omitted, but is to be brief (Rubrics, #36).

The celebrant should bless the baptismal water in the font or in a suitable receptacle in the sanctuary. The Renewal of Baptismal Promises should be made by those present, but the celebrant should not sprinkle the faithful, nor should the holy water stoups be refilled.

The Liturgy of the Eucharist follows. Holy Communion should be given under one kind from the newly consecrated Sacrament according the previous *Guidance* offered by the Bishops' Conference.