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Palm Sunday - year cycle B – 29 March 2015

Entrance: *Procession .*

Responsorial psalm: *My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?*

Gospel: **Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory.** *Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names* **Praise to you O Christ, King of eternal glory**

Communion: *Father if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done*

Pope Francis' Message for Lent 2015 – Conclusion

As individuals too, we have are tempted by indifference. Flooded with news reports and troubling images of human suffering, we often feel our complete inability to help. What can we do to avoid being caught up in this spiral of distress and powerlessness? First, we can pray in communion with the Church on earth and in heaven. Let us not underestimate the power of so many voices united in prayer! Second, we can help by acts of charity, reaching out to both those near and far through the Church's many charitable organizations. Lent is a favourable time for showing this concern for others by small yet concrete signs of our belonging to the one human family. Third, the suffering of others is a call to conversion, since their need reminds me of the uncertainty of my own life and my dependence on God and my brothers and sisters. If we humbly implore God's grace and accept our own limitations, we will trust in the infinite possibilities which God's love holds out to us. We will also be able to resist the diabolical temptation of thinking that by our own efforts we can save the world and ourselves.

As a way of overcoming indifference and our pretensions to self-sufficiency, I would invite everyone to live this Lent as an opportunity for engaging in what Benedict XVI called a formation of the heart. A merciful heart does not mean a weak heart. Anyone who wishes to be merciful must have a strong and steadfast heart, closed to the tempter but open to God. A heart that lets itself be pierced by the Spirit so as to bring love along the roads that lead to our brothers and sisters. And, ultimately, a poor heart that realizes its own poverty and gives itself freely for others. During this Lent, then, brothers and sisters, let us all ask the Lord: "*Fac cor nostrum secundum cor tuum*": *Make our hearts like yours* (Litany of the Sacred Heart of Jesus). In this way we will receive a heart, which is firm and merciful, attentive and generous, a heart, which is not closed, indifferent or prey to the globalization of indifference.

It is my prayerful hope that this Lent will prove spiritually fruitful for each believer and every ecclesial community. I ask all of you to pray for me. May the Lord bless you and Our Lady keep you.

From the Vatican,

FRANCIS

Holy Week Ceremonies

Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday

Mass 10am

Tuesday

Penance Service & Confessions 7pm

Maundy Thursday

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7pm

Watching until 10pm

Good Friday

Stations of the Cross 11am

Solemn Liturgy 3pm

Holy Saturday

Traditional Polish Blessing of Food 1pm

Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter 8pm

Easter Sunday

Parish Mass 9.30am & 11.30am

No evening Mass today

Dates for Your Diary

Please come along and enjoy tea and coffee in the parish room after the Sunday morning Masses

The numbers drawn week 27 were 39 29 45 27 4

No Winner

Prize money for week 28 is £375.00, and five numbers to be drawn

Get your Tote Tickets on Sale after all masses

Second Collection Church decoration

Collection on Good Friday For the Holy Places

Tuesday devotions: Divine Mercy chaplet and Novena before Mass and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary afterward.

All hands on deck For the cleaning and preparation of the church for Easter. Many hands make light work.

WELCOME A warm welcome the Father Jonathon who will take charge of the Holy Week ceremonies. Father Jonathon was Ordained on 12th March at Belmont we offer him our congratulations and prayers.

The Funeral Mrs Daniella Nowosieska's Requiem mass will take place on Monday at 1.15pm

Family Fast Day Please remember your Cafod envelopes. Storms, droughts and floods are having a devastating impact on the poorest communities. Every £1 donated between Ash Wednesday and 17th May 2015 will be covered by UK Aid Match up to £5million. Envelopes are at the back of church. Please remember your offering

Washing of the feet 12 persons required to have their feet washed at the mass of the Last Supper on Thursday. Please give your name on the list at the back of church.

Churches Together in Hereford

The annual Good Friday 'Walk of Witness' will take place on 3rd April, and starts at 10.30 am. We gather in the new Old Market Shopping Centre opposite the Odeon Cinema and finish in High Town.

March 30th is the deadline for questions for the parliamentary candidates who will form the panel for the CTH Electoral Forum next month

The Real Easter Egg Company Over a million Fair Trade/Real Easter Eggs were sold last year, These are produced by the Meaningful Chocolate Company and are the only Easter Eggs with the Easter Story in the box. Consider these when buying your Easter Eggs. For local stockists www.realeasteregg.co.uk Also Easter Cards on sale in the repository

Gift Aid The new envelopes are at the back of church. If you are a UK tax payer and would like to "Gift Aid" your donations to the church, please see Celia or any of the PAC for a gift aid form. The church gets 22p for every £1 you contribute.

Servers practice for Holy Week All Altar Servers who wish to be involved with the services of Holy Week are requested to come to a practice session on Saturday 28th March after the morning Mass. We will be looking at the liturgies for Palm Sunday, Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil. God bless

Reminder RED MISSIO BOXES

Please can all Red Missio Boxes be handed in for the Spring count. You can give them to us directly or to Father Andrew or Father Paul for keeping in the sacristy for us to collect. We will put them at the back of the Church near the hymn books when emptied. Many thanks Peter, Mary and Alice Leach

Jumble Next sale in May stock running low, bring your jumble we can store it.

William(Bill) McGoldrick, (a founder member of this parish) devoted husband to Rose and father to Eugene, Susan, Bernadette, Liam and Joanne passed away last week. Please remember him and his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace.

Hall Management There is to be a management team for the care and hire of the hall, if anyone is willing to assist your help will be greatly appreciate. See any member of the PAC for further information.

My dear friends in Christ,

Today we begin the solemn celebration of Holy Week. I hope that you will be able to take part in as many of the liturgies as possible. It's the best way of following closely in the footsteps of Jesus as he suffers and dies for us and as we wait in silence for the dawn of the Resurrection.

Don't forget that on Tuesday at 7.00pm there will be a short Penance Service and Adoration and the opportunity to go to Confession for Easter. Both Fr Jonathan and I will be hearing Confessions and a third priest might well join us.

May the good Lord help us all grow in holiness as we take up our own cross and follow him this Holy Week.

With every prayer and blessing,

Abbot Paul

Palm Sunday

Psalter week II

Today:

9:30 am

11:30 am

6:30 pm

John Warde RIP

Monday 30 March
Feria

10.00 am Mass –

Tuesday 31 March

10:00 pm Mass – Fr Benjamin Busko RIP
7.00pm Penitential Service - Confessions

Wednesday 1 April

10.00am Mass –

Thursday, 2 April

7.00pm Mass of the Lords Supper
Peggy King – Ray Preedy RIP

Maundy Thursday

Watching until 10.00pm

Friday 3 April

11.30am Stations of the Cross

Good Friday

3.00pm Solemn Liturgy

Saturday, 4 April

1.00pm Traditional Polish Blessing of
Food

8.00pm Easter Vigil & first Mass of Easter

Sunday 5 March Easter Day

9:30 am

11:30 am

No evening mass

Rota Schedule for 29 March -5 April 2015

Flower Arrangers: As per your rota

Cleaners: Everyone

Ushers: 9:30am Mr & Mrs Scanlon

11:30am Mr & Mrs Cotterell

6:30pm No Mass

Readers:

9:30am C Sharland

11:30am M Langley

Eucharistic Ministers:

Vigil Mass Volunteers

9.30am Volunteers

11.30am Volunteers

Altar Linen:

J Callingham

Counting Janet Richard Paul

Polish Information:

Następna Msza Św w języku polskim odbędzie się w niedzielę, 26 Kwietnia godz 16:00

Finance:

The collection on Sunday 8 March raised **£405.85** thank you

Please pray for: The sick, especially Ann Morris, Brian Morris, Alice Jones, Sue Watkins, Shelaigh Fawcett, Dymphna and John O'Neil, Andrew Walker, Sylvia Jones, Sylvia Aiello, Chris Turville, Eva Zakrzewska, Pat Franklyn, Glyn Matthews, Anna Foggo, Katie Richardson, Agnes McGowan, Michael Morris Rita O'Leary Pat Cotterell Pat Spence and all in our prayer book

The recently dead, especially, Aniela Nowosielska, William McGoldrick

Those whose anniversary falls in the month of April, including: Emily Rees, Margaret Cook, Thomas Slane, Hewitt Lane, Karol Sliwka, Sally Kaye, Alexander Taylor, Vera Ashcroft, Joyce Lynes, Norah Webb, Mary Bagley, Barbara McAtear, Raymond Preedy, Mary Logan, John Doyle, John Young, Amaryllis Davies, Jock Warzynski, Bernard Rourke, Anne Mead, Zofia Heathcock, Fernando Gianessi, Julie Powell, Thomas Reilly, Sharon Kostorz-Pinwell, Phyllis Lyons, Josef Priebe, Francis Meigh, Charles Bagley, John McEwan, Frederick Whalen and Edward da Silva, Elsie Vlahos and Ellen Sloane

Funny Church Notices

Baptisms: After Easter, the North and South ends of the church will be utilised. Children will be baptised at both ends.

Bible Study: Richard, my friend's little grandson came home from Sunday School and I asked him what they had studied.

His reply was, 'Nothing.' So I asked him, 'Didn't you study Jesus?' Richard's reply was, 'No, he wasn't even there.'

Come work for the Lord. The work is hard, the hours are long and the pay is low. But the retirement benefits are out of this world.