

PARISH CHURCH MASSES

Masses for week commencing 1/2 April 2023

Mass for this week: Holy Week and Easter

Sat. 9:30am
6:15pm Vigil Mass
OLSP

Sun. 9:00 Palm Sunday Keith Smith RIP
St Bernard's

10:30 OLSP Carolyn Wells RIP

Mon, 9:30am Monday of Holy Week Michael Badelic &
OLSP Catherine Laroco RIP

7:30pm OLSP Service of reconciliation
Tues, 9:30am Tuesday of Holy Week
OLSP

Wed. 9:30am 'Spy' Wednesday of
St Bernard Holy Week

6:00pm Chrism
Mass at
Cathedral
7:30pm, Holy
Hour at
St Bernard's

Thurs, 9:00 **Maundy Thursday**

OLSP
Morning Prayer
8:00pm OLSP
Mass of the
Lord's Supper

Friday, 9:00 **Good Friday**

OLSP Morning
Prayer
10:00 St Bernard,
Children's Way
of the Cross
3:00 OLSP
Solemn Liturgy
of the Lord's
Passion

Sat. 9:00 OLSP **Holy Saturday**

Morning Prayer
11:00 OLSP
Swieconka
8:00pm OLSP
Easter Vigil

Sun 9:00 Easter Sunday

St Bernard's
10:30am OLSP Ann & Jack Joel RIP

LINGFIELD - St. Bernard's

Sun. 9:00 Palm Sunday Keith Smith RIP

Reconciliation (Confession)

East Grinstead: Saturday 10:30 – 11:00 am and 5:30 – 6:00 pm

BAPTISMS - These are usually celebrated on a Sunday at 3:00 pm. Parents are asked to contact Fr. Jack.

MARRIAGE - Marriage arrangements should be made with Fr. Jack at least 12 months before the marriage date and prior to any social planning. To arrange for marriage preparations please contact Fr. Jack.

MASS INTENTIONS - Have a Mass said for a departed loved one, or someone who is sick, or to celebrate a family occasion. Use the brown envelopes at the back of the church. Please do it two months in advance if you want a specific date.

R.C.I.A. RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS - Persons interested in learning of the Catholic faith, and any adult person who wishes to receive Baptism, Eucharist or Confirmation. If you need information regarding this please contact Fr. Jack.

VISITATION OF THE SICK AND ELDERLY - Please keep us informed so that we can be attentive to those who are ill at home or in the hospital.

NEW PARISHIONERS - Our Parish Family invites all its members to share fully in our spiritual and social life. If you change your address or telephone number please tell Fr. Jack. Please also consider registering online at: www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com after which you will receive the newsletter by email each Saturday.

BIDDING PRAYER REQUESTS - We would like to pray by name for anyone in our parish community who is sick, in need or suffering in any way. If you or a loved one would like to be included in the Bidding Prayers at mass, you are warmly invited to contact: Fr Jack, or Sue Faulkner 07462394964 suzyfaulkner@icloud.com at Our Lady & St Peter, or Fr Jack or Nicky Daines 01342 870358 raymondaines@btinternet.com or Mary Watson 01342 836344 mbwatson@hotmail.com at St Bernard's. If you are requesting prayers for a loved one, please ensure that they have given their permission for their name to be included.

REQUEST PRIVATE PRAYER - If you would like to request prayer for your intention, whatever it might be, by members of the new parish prayer network, please contact Sue Faulkner, 07462394964 suzyfaulkner@icloud.com. Members will pray for your intention privately in their homes. Your name will not be mentioned in church, and you can be anonymous if you prefer."

LIVESTREAMING - We are pleased to have livestreaming of our services. Typically, this will be the 9am Sunday Mass at Lingfield and 10:30am Sunday at East Grinstead. Other masses and special services will be streamed as advertised in this bulletin.

REQUESTS - for livestreaming of weddings, funerals and baptisms should be made to Fr Jack or Jonathan Jenkins jamjenkins64@gmail.com www.eastgrinsteadcatholicparish.com to join us online.

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This Week is Holy Week

Friday is a day of fasting and abstinence

Collection for the Holy Places on Friday

ENQUIRIES CONCERNING BAPTISMS AND WEDDINGS - I am usually available to take enquiries on Saturday mornings, from 10am to 10:30am at Our Lady and St Peter's. Or call me to arrange a suitable time.

CONFESSION/RECONCILIATION - This is an essential part of our spiritual lives. As always I am available after mass on weekdays. Also on Saturday Morning from 10:30 to 11:00 and evening from 5:30 to 6:00. You may also phone me for an individual appointment if you wish.

READERS - (and anyone who would like to join this ministry) - Please sign up for Palm Sunday, Holy Week Services and Easter Sunday Masses. The sheet is now available at the back of the church.

PARISH 100 CLUB - Congratulations to winners in the March draw: 1st, £50, no 66, Mr & Mrs Lilley; 2nd, £25, no 16, Mrs de Caestecker; 3rd, £15, no 30, Mr & Mrs O'Driscoll.

CHURCH FLOWERS AT EASTER - Thank you for your generosity to last week's special collection when £407 was gifted. This will be used for decorating our churches at Easter and for supporting the church flowers fund that is used across the year.

EASTER OFFERTORY - Your donations at Easter are personal gifts to our Parish Clergy. If you attended the Parish Annual Meeting last week you will have seen the stipend figure that the Parish pays for the benefits of having Father Jack with us (and these figures will also be published in the newsletter shortly). And when donating, please do use your purple Diocesan Gift Aid envelope which will enhance your gift by 25%. Thank you.

WASHING OF FEET - Maundy Thursday. There is a sheet at the back of OLSP for volunteers to have their foot washed as part of the Maundy Thursday mass - please sign up.

SPECIAL COLLECTION - On Good Friday afternoon, there will be the traditional special collection during the service for the Holy Places in Palestine. This does not attract use of Diocesan Gift Aid envelopes.

GOOD FRIDAY WITNESS IN THE HIGH STREET - the procession with the Cross will leave Trinity Methodist Church at 10.30am. People can join outside Moat Church and opposite OLSP at 10.40am if they wish or at any place on the route to the Open Air Service at the top of town where the road will be closed. All welcome.

FAIRTRADE EASTER TREATS: - Easter Eggs, mini eggs and chocolate will be on sale in St Bernard's hall after Mass on Palm Sunday. Please come and see what Fairtrade has to offer.

PALM SUNDAY 2 APRIL AT 3PM: CONCERT OF HOLY WEEK MUSIC AT ST BERNARD'S - Cantors from the Catholic Parish of East Grinstead and Lingfield and St Peter and Paul's, Lingfield, invite you to join them as they perform a sequence of of inspiring music from the Hosannas of Palm Sunday to the Alleluias of Easter Sunday. Interval with Cream Tea. Free entry with no ticket required. Donations to the SVP South Sudan Baby Feeding Programme.

CHILDREN'S WAY OF THE CROSS AT ST BERNARD'S 10AM GOOD FRIDAY 7TH APRIL - Everyone welcome – grown ups too. For more information contact Mary Watson 01342 836344 or Nicky Daines 01342870358.

"JOIN HALE & HOUND" - this April at Our Lady & St Peter Church Hall to celebrate spring and create a beautifully festive living centrepiece, perfect for your Easter table. You will be taught, by Charlotte Hale (néé Blackledge) on how to create your own colourful arrangement using a variety of spring plants, bulbs and foliage along with decorative eggs all of which will be yours to take home. You will be provided with homemade refreshments, teas and coffees to keep your creative juices flowing. All flowers and materials will be provided. Spaces are limited so get in touch to book your place. £40pp. **Dates - Sunday 2nd April 1.30 – 4pm. For full details and booking please contact: Email - haleandhound@yahoo.com or Tel – 07714037730"**

CAFOD - please sign the petition online urging the World Bank to protect the rights of small-scale farmers to freely choose their own seeds. Over 4,500 people have already taken part in this Fix the Food System action but when it comes to campaigning, getting lots of people involved really matters! So if you could promote this action, Cafod would really appreciate it. www.cafod.org.uk Thank you.

MARY'S MEALS - would like to invite you to collect all your foreign currency* no matter how old or obscure. In 2 weekend's time there will be special envelopes at the back of church for you to take home and put all your foreign coins and notes into. Clear out your drawers and have a look under the sofa. Currently the charity feeds over 2.4 million young children one good meal every day in their place of education – by giving Mary's Meals your foreign coins and notes you can helpfeed the next hungry child. Mary's Meals feeds in over 18 countries. Because of our low costs we can do this for as little as £19.15 per child per year! *We will also take UK coins/notes that aren't legal tender.

MENTAL HEALTH TRAINING - The Diocese is pleased to be able to offer a range of courses to empower anyone involved in ministry to walk alongside those who struggle with mental health issues. We are delivering MHFA England Accredited Awareness, Champion and First Aid Courses in a variety of locations as well as online to make them accessible for everyone. Suitable for Catechists, Welcomers, Ministers of Consolation, in fact anyone who speaks to anyone else in the community! The next course is Mental Health First Aid (Adult) which is running both on-line, in April and in person, at The St Philip Howard Centre in Crawley. For further information contact E: formation@abdiocese.org.uk or go to the diocesan website events calendar W: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/diocese/events>

ARE YOU A WELCOMER OR WOULD YOU LIKE - to explore further what is involved in the Ministry of Welcome? Would you like to have an opportunity to reflect on this Ministry with others from your Parish or Deanery? Contact Margaret Fraher – Inclusion Adviser E: margaret.fraher@abdiocese.org.uk We have also created a news page for Formation Team Events W: www.abdiocese.org.uk/news/formation-team-courses-events which we will aim to keep live and updated.

CAROLYN WELL'S REQUIEM MASS - will be on Thursday 20 April at 11am at OLSP followed by a service at the Crematorium. Until recently Carolyn was a regular 10.30 Mass attendee she was without family, but many people knew her - please come and celebrate her life with the Parish. Worth Crematorium at 12.30pm. Light lunch after Mass in the Parish Hall - all welcome.

CAKE & PLANT SALE – 3/4th June at OLSP– The Gospel of Life Group is pleased to be planning this event again this year, with proceeds going to Down's Syndrome support charities. If you would like to donate any cakes or plants for sale we would be very grateful – please let me know, ideally before our next meeting on 22nd April. Many thanks, Les Whittaker 07502 274450 leswhittaker252@outlook.com.

CRAWLEY OPEN HOUSE - is urgently in need of donations as it has been giving out large numbers of food parcels since Christmas and stocks are low. Urgently required are tea, coffee, tins of soup, tins of meat, tins of tomatoes, rice pudding, long life milk, pasta, rice. Please leave at the back of both churches, or deliver to COH, Riverside House, Stephenson's House, Three Bridges, Crawley RH10 1TN, or send a financial contribution on line. Thank you.

EG FOODBANK - Last Friday 170 bags of food and Easter goodies were prepared and distributed via local schools to families in need. Thank you for your donations. Items now needed men's deodorants, instant mashed potato, jam, kitchen roll, shaving foam spray surface cleaner, tinned ham 325g/340g, tinned rice pudding, toilet rolls, bags of crisps and brown sauce. Please spread the word to people you may know who are facing increasing financial difficulties, that the Foodbank based at the Jubilee Centre (JC) in Charlwoods Road is there to help and will offer a warm welcome to those who come along for assistance (Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays 1pm-3pm). In addition to providing food (voucher system in place), it works alongside the Citizen's Advice Bureau and Christians against Poverty, to provide advice on debt, fuel poverty and benefits.

