

HOLY WEEK AND THE SACRED TRIDUUM

Holy Week is the most solemn and glorious week in Christianity, the pinnacle of the liturgical year. This is because Holy Week commemorates the final week of Our Lord's life, the very purpose for which Christmas happened. Holy Week begins with Palm Sunday (when Jesus made his final entrance into Jerusalem) and culminates with Easter Sunday. As Holy Week progresses to its final days the solemnity heightens. Sundown on Holy Thursday to sundown on Easter Sunday is considered the most solemn part of the liturgical year. This three-day period is referred to as the *Easter Triduum*, also known as the *Sacred Triduum*, or *Paschal Triduum*.

The word "triduum" comes from the Latin word *triduum*, which comes from *tris* ("three") + *dies* ("day").

The Sacred Triduum is one great festival recounting the last three days of Jesus' life on earth, the events of his Passion and Resurrection, when the Lamb of God laid down his life in atonement for our sins.

<u>CONFESSION</u> is available half an hour before each Vigil & Sunday Mass, during Saturday Morning Holy Hour and upon request. <u>WEDDINGS & BAPTISMS</u> may be discussed with the clergy following the Vigil and Sunday Morning Masses or by appointment. Most days the church will be open at approx. 8.30am and will remain open

until after the Angelus is prayed at 12pm and later if possible.

ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF CHRIST THE KING



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<u>Saturday 12th April:</u> BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ON SATURDAY 11am - 12pm: Holy Hour & Confessions / 12noon Holy Mass (Clergy Intentions) 6pm Vigil of <u>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD</u> (Mary Acock RIP) <u>SUNDAY 13TH APRIL:</u> <u>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF OUR LORD</u> 10.00am Holy Mass : (All Parishioners) 6pm: Holy Mass (Dave Price)

Monday of Holy Week 14th April:

9am Rosary / 9.30am Holy Mass (Michael Jarvis RIP)	12pm Angelus
Tuesday of Holy Week 15 th April:	
9am Rosary / 9.30am Holy Mass (Chris Jarvis)	12pm Angelus
Wednesday of Holy Week 16 th April:	
9am Rosary / 9.30am Holy Mass (O'Docerty family)	12pm Angelus
Chrism Mass 7pm at St Anthony's Wythenshawe	

HOLY THURSDAY (17th April) 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper (Joe Farnin) Followed by Waiting & Praying until Night Prayer at 10pm GOOD FRIDAY (18th April) 10am Children's Stations of the Cross (Weather permitting this will take place in the church grounds and will be followed by Hot Cross Buns in the parish hall) 3pm: Celebration of the Lord's Passion HOLY SATURDAY (19th April) 8.30pm Vigil Mass of Easter (All Parishioners) EASTER SUNDAY (20th April) 10am Mass of Easter Sunday (Mary & Peter Roberts & Melissa Callaghan)

Please note- No Evening Mass today

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY AT CHRIST THE KING

The Divine Mercy devotions will take place on Sunday 27th April 2025, starting in the Parish Hall. – Commencing at 1.30pm and concludes at about 5.30pm; it will include a film, the blessing of the Divine Mercy Image, a Holy Hour, Confessions & Holy Mass. All are welcome to attend

PARISH RETREAT TO LORETO CONVENT IN LLANDUDNO Monday 29th September to Thursday 2nd October 2025 Retreat Theme: Christ the King

This retreat is on a full-board basis costing £255.00 per person. Places and rooms will be limited so if you wish to join us early booking is recommended. This retreat will offer us the opportunity for a prayerful and social time as we reflect on the centenary of the feast of Christ the King.

Last few places - Please contact the parish office for further information.

LENTEN EVENING HOLY HOURS/ EXPOSITION & ADORATION: (8pm - 9pm)

An opportunity for time in silent prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. (This week, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday)

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED FOR HOLY THURSDAY

As always, we require volunteers for the feet washing at the 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper. Please add your name to the list at the back of church.

PARISH CHOIR: Would you like to enhance the liturgy with your singing? New members are always welcome and particularly required for Easter Sunday. For more details, please contact Judith on 07726965272 **All welcome**.

PARISH OUTREACH MINISTRY: In this parish ministry as we seek to offer help to those in our community in any kind of need, including in our school community. *If you require some assistance or know someone that does, please contact the Parish Office OR speak with one of the clergy.*

PARISH SCOTLAND TRIP: Monday 28th April – Friday 2nd May 2025 For those joining us, please note that the coach departs from CTK at 6am FOODBANK NEWS: Many thanks for your continued support for the foodbank.

PARISH OUTREACH LUNCH CLUB: Friday 25th April 12pm to 1.30pm

All are welcome to come and enjoy some good food, hot drinks and company.

<u>BAPTISM</u>: Please keep in your prayers all those preparing for baptism or reception into the Catholic Church.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & BEREAVED: Please pray for those suffering any illness at this time, especially: His Holiness Pope Francis. Des O'Gorman, Nora Elliot, Paddy Gilligan, Christine Foster, Mary Patton, Kevin & Catherine Hannigan, Julia Hastewell and Louise. We also pray for those struggling with the heavy cross of bereavement.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Edward Tarpey & Mary Lunstram RIP

CANONISATION OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS: Sunday 27th April

On this day the Church celebrates the canonisation of soon to be Saint Carlo Acutis. This 'Boy Saint' and first millennial saint is a great example to us all and an inspiration to our youth. At the 10am Mass on this Sunday we will be formally blessing our recently erected image of St Carlo and celebrating his canonisation. We especially encourage our young people and families to attend. There will be a social gathering in the hall after the Mass to continue our celebration of this occasion.

RIGHT TO LIFE AND ASSISTED SUICIDE BILL

Following on from last week's letter from the Bishops of England Wales, we urge you to contact your local Member of Parliament and urge them to vote against the progression of this frightening, poorly considered and immoral legislation. Justin.Madders.mp@parliament.uk Matthew.Patrick.mp@parliament.uk

GROWING IN YOUR FAITH & RCIA - Parish Programme Will now take a break and will resume in due course

FINANCES OF THE PARISH – A message from our PP, Fr Louis

You will no doubt be aware that, like for everyone else, our costs to run all aspects of the church and parish life have increased. Currently, we have also had a drop-off in collection totals and donations. I understand that many are experiencing financial challenges, and I do not like raising the subject of money. However, as parish priest I hold responsibility for the financial wellbeing, future and sustainability of the parish. As such I ask those who can, to consider what you currently give, and where possible to increase your donation. Also, after Easter, I will conduct a financial review to identify any areas where costs can be reduced or income increased. **Thanks – Fr Louis**

<u>NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES</u> The last few are available to collect. Any queries, please contact Brenda Frodsham on 334 1802. Standing order forms are available in the porch should you wish to move from using weekly offertory envelopes.

50/50 CLUB: RENEWALS Many thanks to everyone who has already renewed their membership in support of our Parish Hall. We still appeal for new members in time for our next draw which will take place during the next Lunch Club Friday 25th April. If you use the Hall for any reason, please consider supporting our 50/50 Club and maintain this vital parish facility.

LAST WEEK'S OFFERINGS AT MASS: £719.64 / ELECTRONIC DONATIONS £30 Thank you for your continued generosity and support towards the maintenance and mission of our Parish and the Church.

As we enter Holy Week, we keep all our parish family in prayer.

Fr Louis, Fr Humphrey & Deacon Tony