



# The Church of The Holy Souls'

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## Mass Timetable for week beginning "Palm Sunday"

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Intention
Sunday 5th April 2020	Palm Sunday of The Passion of The Lord	All Masses Suspended		
Monday 6th	Monday of Holy Week	All Masses Suspended		
Tuesday 7th	Tuesday of Holy Week	All Masses Suspended		
Wednesday 8th	Wednesday of Holy Week	All Masses Suspended		
Thursday 9th	Holy Thursday (Maundy Thursday)	All Masses Suspended		
Friday 10th	Friday of The Passion of The Lord (Good Friday)	All Masses Suspended		
Saturday 11th April	Holy Saturday	All Masses Suspended		
Sunday 12th April 2020	Easter Day of The Resurrection of The Lord	All Masses Suspended		

Please see below **web address** which contains posters in 34 different languages containing relevant information regarding Coronavirus aka COVID-19.

<https://www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk/coronavirus-information/#>

## Pope Francis 'Tweet of the Week':

'These days of pain and sadness are bringing many hidden problems in society to the surface. We ask St Teresa of Calcutta to re-awaken in us the sense of nearness to so many persons who are hidden in normal life, such as the homeless.'

**Please pray for:** Osvaldo Tirelli, Margaret Smith, Martin Wagner and all those who have died recently, may they rest in peace; for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound.

**The Pope's Prayer Intention for April 2020.**  
**Universal prayer intention - Freedom from Addiction.**  
We pray that those suffering from addiction may be helped and accompanied.

## Reflections for Palm Sunday 2020

The accounts of the Passion given by the four evangelists are not identical. The basic outline of these dreadful events was clear enough. It is confirmed by the contemporary Jewish historian Josephus, who tells us that Jesus was crucified by Pontius Pilate at the instigation of the Jewish leaders. The task of the gospel-writers is not to relay to us raw facts, but to help us understand their significance. Each stresses an aspect. For instance, John underlines that this was the triumph of Jesus; he shows his divinity already at the arrest-scene. He himself yielded up his Spirit only when he had completed his task. Matthew preoccupation with Judaism dictates that he shows in detail how the events accord with God's plan revealed in the scriptures. Almost every incident is told in such a way that hearers familiar with the scriptures would catch allusions to the biblical writings: nowhere is this more obvious than in the account of the death of Judas. Though Pilate the Governor must bear the final responsibility, Matthew also stresses the pressure on him by the crowd manipulated by the politically adept Jewish authorities, culminating in the horrific cry, "His blood be on us and our children" – an allusion to the sufferings undergone by the next generation during the siege of Jerusalem by the Romans. The significance of the events is further underlined by the apocalyptic earthquake at Jesus' death and by the immediate release of the blessed dead, who come at last into the Holy City. HW

## The Donkey (G K Chesterton)

When fishes flew and forests walked  
And figs grew upon thorn,  
Some moment when the moon was blood  
Then surely I was born.

The tattered outlaw of the earth,  
Of ancient crooked will.  
Starve, scourge deride me: I am dumb,  
I keep my secret still.

With monstrous head and sickening cry  
And ears like errant wings  
The devils walking parody  
On all four-footed things.

Fools! For I also had my hour.  
One far fierce hour and sweet:  
There was a shout about my ears,  
And palms before my feet.

## A DAILY PRAYER

*Please say this prayer every together with the Lord's Prayer, Hail Mary & Glory be. It has been adapted by Rev Andrew Cole from a prayer written by the Most Rev Mark Coleridge, Archbishop of Brisbane*

Almighty and all-merciful God,  
lover of the human race,  
healer of all our wounds,  
in whom there is no shadow of death,  
save us in this time of crisis,  
save us in this time of crisis,  
comfort the sick and the dying,  
the isolated and the afraid;  
be with us in our need.

Grant wisdom and courage to our leaders  
And all who are responsible for the common good.

Watch over everyone who is working  
in our National Health Service as they tend the sick,  
all who are supporting the vulnerable,  
and those who are working for a cure.

Stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;  
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.

By the power of your love  
destroy the virus of fear,  
that hope may never die  
and grant that the light of Easter, the triumph of life,  
may shine upon us and the whole world.  
may we, like the Paschal Candle  
marked with the sign of the Cross  
give of ourselves and burn yet more brightly,  
for love conquers everything, light transforms darkness.  
By welcoming Christ into our hearts each and every day,  
may we always spread your love far and wide  
by valuing in all in the name of Jesus the Christ  
and being the people you have made us to be.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit  
one God, for ever and. Amen.

Our Lady Immaculate, Our Lady of Walsingham, Our Lady Health of the Sick,  
pray for us.  
St Joseph, guardian of Jesus, guardian of us all,  
pray for us.  
St Hugh of Lincoln, Patron of the Diocese of Nottingham,  
pray for us.