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HOLY WEEK & EASTER 9TH -24TH APRIL

Saturday 9th		4:00pm	Holy Baptism of Audrey Jerry	
	Palm Sunday	6:00pm	Vigil Mass	Tom McNicholas RIP
8:30am		Mass	The Parish	
10:30am		Mass	Sr. Anne Kirwain RIP	
Holy Wednesday 13th		6:00pm	Stations of the Cross	
		6:45pm	Mass	Holy Souls
Maundy Thursday 14th		6:00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Barbara and Brandan
		7:00-9:00pm	Watch of Prayer	
Good Friday 15th		9:00am	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer	
		3:00pm	Liturgy of the Passion	
Holy Saturday 16th		9:00am	Office of Readings and Morning Prayer	
		8:15pm	Easter Vigil, Baptism & Mass	The Parish
Easter Sunday 17th		8:30am	Mass	Luigi Quintiliani RIP
		10:30am	Mass	John Ryan & Claire Darbyshire RIP
Easter Wednesday 20th		6:00pm	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	
		6:45pm	Mass	Holy Souls
Easter Thursday 21st		12:00noon	Mass	Paul & Jim Madden
Easter Friday 22nd		10:10am	Morning Prayer	
		10:30am	Mass	Tom Smith RIP
Easter Saturday 23rd		6:00pm	Vigil Mass	Mary Rabbitte RIP
Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy		8:30am	Mass	The Parish
		10:30am	Mass	Bernie Shepherd

CONFESSIONS: 5:00pm This Saturday 9th April Fr John Guest & Fr.Michael. April 23rd 5:15pm Fr.Michael

LITURGY FOR 9TH & 10TH

Entrance Hymn: No. 229 All glory laud and honour

Response to the Psalm: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me.

Recessional Hymn: No. 320 Hail Redeemer King Divine.

FROM FATHER MICHAEL –

Are you ready for Easter, Father? No, I am not! I am never ready for Easter!! At Easter we are celebrating the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ from the dead, celebrating our own Baptism, our own passing from death to life, celebrating the total victory of love over hatred.

I go to Confession. I try to keep a good Lent. I try to be a better human being. I make all the practical preparations as best I can, but still I am not ready.

For me, one of the most crucial parts of our celebration is the watch of prayer on Maundy Thursday night, being with Jesus in his final temptation in the Garden of Gethsemane. "Take this cup, from me! But not my will but yours be done." Here is prayer in all its rawness and pain. Is Jesus ready for Easter?

Every year the miracle of Easter **does** happen. A fire is lit, candles are lit, bread is broken. However unprepared we might feel, our inadequacies, our fears, our doubts are taken up into the mystery of the Resurrection, the mystery of total and unconditional love, the mystery of Heaven.

Carry you palm cross into the church this Sunday. Share in Jesus' Last Supper. Watch and pray in the Garden of Gethsemane. Climb the hill of Calvary and venerate the Cross. Come to church next Saturday night to pass from death to life.

How can we ever be ready? Happy Easter to you all.

VENERATION OF THE CROSS – Covid precautions - Please do not kiss or touch the Cross this year.

Simply come up to the Cross and express your devotion with a genuflection or a bow and a private prayer.

GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS - 10:15am from Holy Trinity to Aylmer Square

ACT OF WITNESS – 12:30 -1:30pm Outside St Mary's Biscovey

LENTEN ALMSGIVING – Helping our brothers and sisters in the Ukraine Donations can be made online to CAFOD <https://cafod.org.uk/News/Emergencies-news/Ukraine-crisis> They are working to support Caritas partners in communities that are affected. Helping our brothers and sisters at Fourways Youth Project in Par. Please use the box in the narthex.

A MESSAGE FROM OUR PARISH TREASURER – Dear Parishioners, I would like to remind everyone of the various payment methods for donating an Easter Offering, all donations go to our Parish Priest, Fr. Michael. Donations can be given in a number of ways. 1) Bank Transfer to PRCDTR St Augustines RC Parish Sort Code 54-41-12. Account no. 03422380. Please write Easter Offering as the reference. 2). Easter Offering Envelopes if you are on the envelope scheme. 3) Mass donation boxes in the Narthex. 4). Contactless payments using the contactless device in the Narthex. 5) If you would like to Gift Aid a cash donation there are one-off gift aid envelopes in the Narthex. Thank you. Rob Kendall.

SPRING FAYRE – SATURDAY 21ST MAY 2022 If you have any items for the Spring Fayre please start bringing them in so that they can be sorted. There is a donation basket in the porch. Please keen gardeners start to divide plants and take cuttings for the plant stall. Please contact Brian Byrne or Mary Shepherd for more details. Further information from Sue and Des Bell on 01726 810005. A list of stalls will go up in the Narthex shortly if you are able to volunteer. Thank you.

REFRESHMENTS AFTER SUNDAY 10:30AM MASS – After a long sojourn in the wilderness, refreshments after the Sunday 10:30am Mass will resume. Please sign up on the rota the foyer for either individual days or months. Sign up as a group or family or friends or ring Patricia for further details 01726 852 816. Thank you.

READING AT MASS –we would like to expand the list of people who read at Mass. If this is a ministry you would like to fulfil then please make yourself known to either Rosemary Jeffrey or Fr. Michael. Suitable training will be provided.

CHURCH CLEANING –We no longer need to sanitise the church after every Mass but we still need to keep our church clean. If you think you might be able to help in any way then please make yourself known to either Kathryn Houlihan (07506829992) or Fr. Michael

RED BOX HOLDERS – please collect your copy of the latest MISSIO magazine from the narthex.

THE REPOSITORY –Our Parish Repository lives in the Cuthbert Mayne Room, Please ask if you cannot find what you need. Copies of the current Sunday Missal can be ordered individually for £10:00. A new translation of the readings will be published in a few years time.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK and especially:- Bernie Shepherd, Bill Apted, Sheila Radler-Doyle, Frances, Rene, David Nugent, Fintan, Helen Ledwidge, Yvonne Bradbury, Sally Tabb, Cynthia Rosevear, Angela Alderman Joseph Poole, Fred Abraham, Sylvia Austin, Brendan Bowe, Teiaia Bradbury, Jesus Mauri-Oria, Paul Briscoe, James & Margaret Clapp, Sue Dugmore, Suzi Hill, Teresita Hill, Carmen Matthews, Sarah Mitchell, Mary O'Brien, June Parsons, Sylvia Ryan, Amanda Stickney, Paddy Wellington, Gerry and Daniel Good.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DEPARTED –Edwina Porter-Duncan. Her funeral Mass will be 10:30am Friday 29th April