PARISH OF THE SACRED HEART AND ST.MARGARET MARY, EAST DEREHAM, NORFOLK

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APRIL 1st 2012 : PASSION (PALM) SUNDAY

Sunday Masses

Saturday	6.0pm Int. +Nora Cox 9.0am Int. +Martin Doortry	
Sunday		
	11.0am Int. For the People	

Weekday Masses

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Monday	MONDAY IN HOLY WEEK		
10.0am Int.	Hilary Kyte & Barbara Horsley		
Tuesday	TUESDAY IN HOLY WEEK		
10.0am Int.	+Evelyn Campbell		
Wednesday	WEDNESDAY IN HOLY WEEK		
10.0am Int.	+ Clifford Beecroft, Priest		
Thursday	MAUNDY THURSDAY		
8.0pm	MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER		
Friday	GOOD FRIDAY		
3.0pm	THE SOLEMN LITURGY OF		
	GOOD FRIDAY		
Saturday	HOLY SATURDAY		
8.30pm	THE EASTER VIGIL MASS		
(No 6.0pm Mass today)			

Full details of all of the Holy Week Services will be found in the special Holy Week leaflet, available at the back of church.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Tuesday 10.30am and 2.0pm Thursday 10.0am and 3.0pm Good Friday 11.30am and 4.30pm Holy Saturday Noon, 2.0pm, and 5.30pm or by appointment. Forms for Examination of Conscience are available at the back of church.

Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Tuesday 10.30am; Benediction at 11.0am. The Divine Office The Office is said a quarter of an hour before the Mass on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday, using Psalter Week 2. On Maundy Thursday, Lauds will be said at 9.0am, and on Good Friday and Holy Saturday the Office of Readings and Lauds will be said at 9.0am. The Church encourages lay people to be present at these Offices, and indeed they form an important and valuable part of Holy Week.

The Mass today

The Masses today are all preceeded by the Blessing of Palms, which takes place in the Presbytery garden if fine. The prayers and the readings can be found on p. 177 of the new Parish Mass Book, which you should bring out with you, together with you palm. After the procession – in which we enter Jerusalem with our Lord, to keep Holy Week with Him – the solemn Mass of the Passion begins. The Passion is read, p.185, in place of the Gospel and Homily : please join confidently in the crowd parts, which begin with the letter 'C'.

At the 6.0pm Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 2	
Sanctus & Benedictus	Parish Mass Book p.25 Hymns	229, 237, 756
At the 9.0am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 2	
Sanctus & Benedictus	Parish Mass Book p.25	
Hymns	229, 237, 756	
At the 11.0am Mass	Eucharistic Prayer 2	
Sanctus & Benedictus	Parish Mass Book p.25	
Hymns	229, 237	

No *Angelus* today and no final hymn after the 11.0am Mass – we leave the church quietly after the Solemn Mass of the Passion, now that Holy Week has begun.

No Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before Mass this Sunday or next.

The Psalm Response for all of the Masses is printed at the bottom of the page.

Also in Holy Week

This afternoon, at 5.0pm **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** Led by SVP

Monday in Holy Week, Presbytery, 7.30pm QUEEN OF PEACE PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday, 7.30pm St. John's Cathedral **MASS OF THE CHRISM** Celebrated by HE Cardinal Murphy O'Connor A coach leaves the church at 6.30pm Put your name down on the list for a seat.

Good Friday, 10.30am GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE FOR CHILDREN AND YOUNG FAMILIES

Holy Saturday, 2.0pm

BLESSING OF POLISH EASTER BASKETS

PARISH NOTICEBOARD

Anniversaries Irene Barnes (2001), Thomas Delahunt (2009), Philomena Hutton (1996), Hubert Barker (2001), Winifred Gaylard (2003), and Tim Lynch (2002). May they Rest in Peace.

Money Matters Last week £434.55 was given at the offertory. This week there will be the usual collection for the work of SVP on Maundy Thursday, and for the Holy Land Shrines on Good Friday. The collection next Sunday goes to the Parish Priest, as a basic part of his annual income.

Last Friday, the final Lent Lunch – for which Gloria Lee kindly made the soup – raised £39 for CAFOD, which brings the total from the six lunches to £226.61. In addition, the St. Patrick's Day Supper (which had not been designed to be a money raising event) produced £65, which means that we are able to send a total of £291.61 to CAFOD.

Please will you bring your Lent Boxes back next Sunday, and then we can also send off some money to *Let The Children Live!*

A bequest Following the recent £2,000 bequest from Phyllis Howell, which enabled us to construct the brick path outside the church, and improve the surface of the car park, we have now received a further bequest of £2,000, this time from Peggy Malone. We are very grateful for this generosity, and the Parish Council will now have to think how we might spend Peggy's bequest. Hopefully we will be able to come up with something which will again be a permanent reminder of a great soul.

The foot washing ceremony is an important part of the Maundy Thursday Liturgy, but rarely are we able to attain the full complement of twelve men. This year, will men please not be bashful, but boldly put their names down on the list. I'd have thought that it is rather a privilege to take part.....

THE HURDLE MENTALITY

How easy it is to see life in terms of a series of hurdles which one has to get over - 'If only I can get through this', 'once this is over I'll be alright', 'If I can just get this over and done with'.... Certainly it's possible for a priest to feel like this as he contemplates Holy Week, with all its extra liturgical celebrations, ceremonies, and happenings, and maybe lay people feel the same, when confronted by a very full week indeed church-wise. One can easily look forward to Holy Week being over and done with.

But this would be sad, as regards both priest and lay people. For it is not in reality a week of hurdles, a week to somehow be got through. But rather a week whose events should be savoured, because they are so special, and only occur once a year. It is a week for spending with Our Lord, and coming to enter more deeply into his Passion, Death, and Resurrection. A week not of hurdles, but of opportunities.

So let's enter fully, purposefully, and together into Holy Week 2012, savouring each part of it, and allowing ourselves to be renewed and revitalized by it.