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Sunday 3rd April	FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT 10.00 am Mass: People of the Parish
Monday 4th April	of Lent (St Isidore of Seville) No Mass
Tuesday 5th April	of Lent (St Vincent Ferrer) 9.00 am Rosary 9.30 am Mass
Wednesday 6th April	of Lent 9.00 am Rosary 9.30 am Mass
Thursday 7th April	of Lent (St John Baptist de la Salle) 9.00 am Rosary 9.30 am Mass
Friday 8th April	of Lent 8.30 am Adoration 9.30 am Mass 10.00 am Way of the Cross
Saturday 9th April	of Lent No Mass
Sunday 10th April	PALM SUNDAY 10.00 am Mass: People of the Parish

Confessions are available before and after Mass, or on request.

Stations of the Cross

There will be Stations of the Cross after Mass on Fridays during Lent, at 10.00 am.

A Prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,
we pray for the people of Ukraine,
for all those suffering or afraid,
that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders,
for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world
that in this moment of crisis,
we may reach out in solidarity
to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways
so that peace and justice
become a reality for the people of Ukraine
and all the world.

Amen.

from CAFOD

NOTICES

Easter Triduum

Holy Thursday - 14th April

**7.00 pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
followed by 'Watching' until 9.30 pm**

Good Friday - 15th April

3.00 pm Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday - 16th April

7.00 pm Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - 17th April

10.00 am Mass

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

There will be two opportunities for Confessions on Wednesday 6th April from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm, and on Wednesday 13th April from 3.00 pm to 5.00 pm. As we are approaching Holy Week, it is time to prepare ourselves spiritually to celebrate the Paschal Celebrations.

Church Cleaning

Church cleaning is arranged for Tuesday 12th April from 10.00 am. Please do come and help to get the church ready for Easter. (Please bring a duster and polish.)

Easter Lilies

If you would like to donate an Easter Lily in memory of a loved member of your family or friend, please fill in one of the forms in the porch. Please **PRINT** the name, or names, on the slip, and put it in the basket provided with £2.00. The lilies will decorate the church at the Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday.

Lenten Alms Retiring Collections

Each Sunday in Lent the Retiring Collection will be donated to CAFOD to support their work in Ukraine and other areas of need

Confirmation Group

The next meeting is on Tuesday 5th April at 4.30 pm, when the subject will be **‘Witness’**.

First Holy Communion Group

The next First Communion Group Meeting will be on Tuesday 5th April at 6.00 pm.

Sacrament of Confirmation

Bishop Terry will be coming to St Anthony’s on Friday 27th May at 7.00 pm to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please keep our 15 young people preparing for Confirmation in your prayers.

Aid for Ukraine

Please donate to our brothers and sisters suffering in the Ukraine. New clothes, materials for children medicine etc. can be placed in the box at the front of the church.

Camino del Norte Sponsored Walk

Paul Revill will be walking the Camino, starting mid April. The route is along the North Coast of Spain, starting at Irun and finishing at Santiago de Compostela. It is 835 kms long (just over 500 miles), and expected to take five to six weeks. Paul will be dividing the money raised between St Anthony’s Church and Ukraine.

Sponsor Forms will be available on the table at the back of the church for anyone who would like to donate, and pay later. There will also be a basket inside the church for anyone who would like to donate by cash or cheque whilst the walk is in progress.

Paul is also fundraising nationally for CAFOD on:

www.justgiving.com/Paul-REVILL8

St Anthony's School Visit

On Tuesday 26th April the children from Year 2 and Year 5 will be coming to the church after the morning Mass to share their Celebration of the Resurrection with the parish. It will be a short service, and everyone is welcome to come along, or to stay behind after Mass. Please put the date in your diary.

Hospital Chaplain

If you, or someone you know, is in hospital and would like a visit from the Chaplain, please contact Deacon Bob on 470456.

Dates for your Diary

Mass of Chrism

The Chrism Mass will take place on Tuesday of Holy Week, 12th April, at the Cathedral.

Visit of the Papal Nuncio

His Excellency, Archbishop Claudio Gugerotti, will be visiting our Diocese from 24th - 27th March. It is hoped that he will be able to visit some parts of the Diocese.

Relics of St Bernadette

The Relics will be visiting the country in the early autumn. The Relics will be at the Cathedral for 24 hours between 2nd and 3rd October, and at Our Lady of Lourdes and St Peter Chanel between 5th and 6th October. More exact timings will be available later.