



Cornerstone Big Sleep Out 21st April 2017

After last year's great success Cornerstone will be hosting the Big Sleep-Out again on the night of Friday 21st April. Mary Farmer is representing the parish—does anyone want to join her? Please see the SPONSORSHIP Forms at the back of Church.



CAFOD Lenten Fast

The parish raised £1025.91 from 65 envelopes returned, added to this is £152 from the 31 Gift Aided donations. Very, very many thanks, Anne



The Sunday Gospel through School on Wednesday

Pope Francis writes:
"To experience Holy Week is to enter more and more into God's love and self giving. Jesus' love for us is not an

illusion. His cross is the price of true love. The Church is born from Jesus' supreme act of love on the cross." Will we be able to join in the celebrations of this Holy Week? After Palm Sunday, the celebration of the Last Supper, the washing of the feet, the agony in the garden, Jesus' arrest and crucifixion and his resurrection? Will we Make this Holy Week SPECIAL?

Ministers

April 9th

Liturgy of the Word

6.00pm M.Jefferis
 8.30am E.Davies
 10.00am S.Rudd

Liturgy of the Eucharist

S.Dyson
 S.Crewdson/M.Booth
 G.Leggat/C.Hall

April 16th

Easter Vigil 9.00pm Separate List

8.30am M.Jefferis
 10.00am J.Shard

S.Dyson
 S.Crewdson/M.Booth
 C.Ward/K.McKune

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

First: £433.04 Second £177.03 Shop £220.19 Thank You

CAFOD Lent Fast with GIFT AID £1,177.91p! Thank You

CAFOD World Gifts £750.00 (Community water supply) Thank You

**If you are making out a cheque please make it payable to
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Palm Sunday

April 9th 2017 Year A (Matthew's Gospel)

Times of Masses & Intentions

Saturday Vigil	6.00pm	Irene McEntree
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Nicola Jane Poulter
	4.00pm	Palm Sunday Reflection
Monday	9.30am	Private Intention
Tuesday	9.30am	James Burns
		No Taizé Prayer group this evening
Wednesday	11.00am	Chrism Mass - Leeds Cathedral
	12.00 noon	Service of the Word & Holy Communion
Holy Thursday	7.30pm	James Joseph Crewdson
Good Friday	12.00noon	Children's Stations of the Cross
	2.15pm	Ecumenical Walk of Witness
	3.00pm	The Celebration of the Lord's Passion
	7.00pm	Good Friday Reflection
Holy Saturday	9.00pm	Easter Vigil May Morton
Sunday	8.30am	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Teresa Walkinshaw

Confessions: After the 10.00am Mass on Saturday and on request
Exposition: 40 minutes before Mass each weekday

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Holy Week

“To experience Holy Week is to enter more and more into God’s love and self giving.” These words of Pope Francis are an invitation to all of us to enter more deeply into ‘The Greatest Story ever told!’ On Palm Sunday we have the joy and excitement of the crowds waving palms and singing Hosanna as Jesus enters Jerusalem, followed by the solemn reading of St Matthew’s Passion Narrative.

The Oils blessed and consecrated by the Bishop at the Chrism Mass will be brought to the altar on Holy Thursday when we will rejoice in the gift of Jesus himself given to us in the Eucharist under the forms of bread and wine. On Good Friday we walk to Calvary guided by the Passion Narrative according to John with its very special characteristics, and we venerate the cross which is not only the wood on which Jesus dies, but also the Tree of Life for all who believe. Holy Saturday the Church waits at the tomb in prayer and fasting, meditating on Our Lord’s death before celebrating his victory over sin and death by being raised from the dead by the Father.

“Jesus’ cross is the price of true love. The Church is born from Jesus’ supreme act of love on the cross.” Pope Francis



SINGING PRACTICE THIS SUNDAY

The second and final singing practice to rehearse the music for the Holy week Ceremonies, especially the Easter Vigil, will be this Sunday, April 9th, after 10.00 am Mass. All are welcome.



Practical Preparations

If you are willing and free, please come to the Church this coming **Thursday 13th April at 10.30am** to help clean the sacred vessels, prepare the Altar of Repose and whatever else needs doing to help us celebrate the Triduum and Easter. Thank You.



Scripture Reflections

There will be a guided scripture reflection on **Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday** of this week. The **same reflection** will be offered at **10.15am** in the morning and **7.30pm** in the evening. All welcome.

Maundy Thursday—Mass of the Lord’s Supper

As last year Mass will begin at **7.30pm**. One of the main features of this Mass is the Washing of Feet, for which we will need **12 people** to come forward after the Gospel and brief homily. This is a sign of our willingness to continue to serve one another and the wider community, also emphasised by the bringing up of the symbols of service with the gifts of bread and wine. Towards the end of Mass there will be a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to the Altar of Repose with the invitation to ‘watch and pray’. **This period of silent prayer will conclude with Night Prayer of the Church at 9.50pm.**



Good Friday



12.00 noon Stations of the Cross for our younger parishioners followed by refreshment and making the Easter Garden.

2.15pm Ecumenical Walk of Witness beginning outside the Methodist Church.

3.00pm Solemn Celebration of the Lord’s Passion.

7.00pm Good Friday Reflection



Easter Vigil 9.00pm

Please note the later time of the Vigil to ensure that we begin in darkness so that we fully appreciate the journey into the **LIGHT** and **LIFE** of the Resurrection.



The Oldham Project

Kari and those connected with the Oldham Project are in need of a baby's buggy and a push- along walker for ladies at the Project. If anyone has one, or knows of someone who may have one that is now surplus to requirements could they please let Claire or Heidi know.