

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

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St Joseph & St Mary (St. J)

La Couperderie, St Peter Port

Notre Dame du Rosaire (ND)

Burnt Lane, St Peter Port

Our Lady Star of the Sea, Delancey (OLSS)

Rue des Monts, St Sampson

Le Platon Home (LP)

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CONFESSIONS: PALM SUNDAY WEEKEND

Saturdays:

St Joseph 10.30am-11.00am

Our Lady Star of the Sea 5.30pm-5.50pm

Sunday:

Notre Dame Church 5.30pm-5.50pm

Or by appointment

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS:

Name: CDP Guernsey

Sorting Code: 309304

Account number: 00879070

PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord

13th APRIL 2025

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: MY GOD, MY GOD, WHY HAVE YOU FORSAKEN ME?

Sat 12th April	St. J	10.00 am	Mass: Anthony Waldron RIP
	ND	2.00 pm	Wedding: Michelle Upton & Neil Barrett
			FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY
<i>Organ</i>	OLSS	6.00 pm	Mass: Deceased members of the Prialux Family

Sun 13th April PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord *Psalter Week 2*

<i>Quiet Mass</i>	St. J	8.00 am	Mass: Josephine Plant RIP
<i>Music group</i>	OLSS	9.15 am	Mass: Manuel, José & Antonio Serrão RIP
<i>Sung/organ</i>	St. J	10.30 am	Mass: Jean Savage RIP
	ND	5.30 pm	Stations of the Cross
<i>Organ</i>	ND	6.00 pm	Mass: People of the Parish

Mon 14th	St. J	7.30 am	Mass: Sisters of Mercy Guernsey
	OLSS	11.30 am	Stations of the Cross

Tues 15th April	St. J	9.30 am	Mass: Chris Beale RIP
			<i>Exposition of the Blessed sacrament until 10.30am</i>

Wed 16th	St. J	9.30 am	Mass: Deolinda F Da Luz RIP
	St. J	7.00 pm	<i>Exposition, Rosary & Benediction for Vocations</i>

THE EASTER TRIDUUM

MAUNDY THURSDAY

St. J	7.00 pm	Mass: People of the Parish
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GOOD FRIDAY (Day of Fasting and Abstinence)

St. J/OLSS/ND	10.00am	Stations of the Cross
St. J	3.00 pm	Liturgy of the Lord's Passion

HOLY SATURDAY

St. J	11.00 am	Święconka - blessing of Easter baskets
St. J	8.30 pm	Mass: People of the Parish

Sun 20th April EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

Solemnity with Octave

St. J	8.00 am	Mass: People of the parish
OLSS	9.15 am	Mass: People of the parish
St. J	10.30 am	Mass: People of the parish
ND	11.30 am	Mass: People of the parish

Be reminded of the reason for the Easter season!

Amongst all the busyness that goes on reflect on Jesus and His resurrection.

May the Blessings of the Lord be with you on Palm Sunday and always!



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Holy Thursday

7pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper (SJ)

Good Friday

10.00am – Stations of the Cross (SJ) (OLSS) (ND)

3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lords Passion (SJ)

Holy Saturday

11.00am Święconka—Blessing of Easter Baskets (SJ)

8.30pm Solemn Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter (SJ)

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8.00am (SJ) 9.15am (OLSS) 10.30am (SJ) 11.30am (ND)

Live simply,

so that others may simply live

WELCOME

A warm welcome to all visitors who join us this week. Tea & Coffee is available after the **8.00am & 10.30am Masses in St Joseph's** and the **9.15am Mass in Our Lady Star of the Sea**.

LEGION OF MARY

Active Members of Our Lady of Victories Praesidium meet Saturday mornings, 11am in the Parish Rooms. Please come and visit us! New members are always welcome. For more information contact Mary Baldry; 07781 128462 (**please note no formal meeting on Holy Saturday**)

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit prayer Group will be meeting on Monday 14th April at 7.30pm in the Parish room at St Joseph's for praise, prayer and Bible sharing. Tea and coffee available from 7pm. Everyone is welcome.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

After Easter there will be another chance to attend the Life in the Spirit seminars, which have been encouraged by the Pope and supported by our bishop. This is a series of 7 weekly sessions designed to increase our awareness of the Holy Spirit and His gifts. **More details to follow.**

CHRISM MASS

Canon Chris will be off Island Monday 14th & Tuesday 15th April to assist with confessions in Jersey and then to attend the Chrism Mass at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth to collect the Oils of Chrism to be used in our own and Alderney's Parish.

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS ON HOLY SATURDAY

'ŚWIĘCONKA' meaning "the blessing of the Easter baskets" is one of the most enduring and beloved Polish traditions on Holy Saturday during Easter with roots dating back to the early history of Poland. Baskets containing a sampling of Easter foods are brought to church to be Blessed on Holy Saturday 11am St Joseph's. Please do tell any of your Polish acquaintances and friends about this.

ECUMENICAL EASTER SUNRISE SERVICE



for the 10th year running a celebration of the resurrection of Jesus by the cross on the lawn of Les Cotils by kind permission of the management. This as usual takes the form of observing the brilliant morning sunrise over Saint Peter Port reaching us in that uplifting experience of "gathering at the cross". This year please assemble if possible no later than 5:55 am

in order that we can prepare for the rising of the Sun scheduled for 6:08 am on the special date of the 20th April.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Wednesday 23rd April 2-4pm 10th Anniversary

Afternoon Tea Celebration at Shiloh Community Church, raising money for The Tumaini Fund. Bring along some cakes and biscuits to share.

Divine Mercy Sunday 27th April

Devotions at 2.45pm in St Joseph's Church followed by light refreshments in the Parish Room

Parish Befrienders Spring Tea Party

Sunday May 18th 2.30pm to 4.30pm at St Mary and St Michael School. Invitations will go out after Easter. If you know anyone who is housebound, elderly or isolated etc who would like to come and catch up with old friends, then please contact Angela on 07781 112 221.

EASTER BREAK

We would like to wish all the teachers and students a wonderful Easter break. This is a time when we rejoice in the new life Christ gave us through His death and resurrection. We wish every family a very peace-filled Easter and restful holiday.

Canon Chris, Fr Inna, Deacon Mark & Canon Hetherington.

THE LIBERATION 80 CONCERT

will involve local musicians who will perform with the Biberach Youth Orchestra. The performance on Saturday 10th May at 6pm in the Sir John Loveridge Hall, Beau Sejour, will celebrate the strong relationship that has been formed with Biberach, the town in Germany where more than 800 Islanders were deported during the war. The German Youth Orchestra will perform alongside the Guernsey Choral and Orchestral Society (GCOS), Guernsey Chamber Choir, Bel Canto, Guernsey Music Service students from Cantabile and the Youth Orchestra, and other local singers and musicians. The concert will also feature works by other local composers Lydia Sullivan-Pugh, Martin Cordall and songs written by Len Collins and Ernie Webster who were interned at Laufen Camp. This is a free concert and tickets are available from Beau Sejour

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

: Pope Francis, The Holy Father
: Le Platon Home & all in residential & Nursing Care
: The Sick and housebound of the parish
: For a deeper love of the Passion of Christ
: All Priests and Deacons in the Diocese
: Peace in the Holy Land
: All those who mourn

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

Samantha-Jane Holland and all those whose anniversaries occur around now. **May they Rest in Peace.+**

OFFERTORY £3154 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button)

CAFOD Myanmar Earthquake Appeal £1312.00

The retiring collection **this weekend** will be for Flowers to decorate our Churches for Easter.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

The Pontifical Good Friday Collection supports the Christian community in the Middle East. This last year has been particularly challenging for this small community which seeks 'to be the salt, light and leaven of the Gospel' in the region, often living in difficult circumstances.

"May this year's collection pro Terra Sancta be an opportunity for everyone not to ignore the difficult situation of our brothers and sisters of the Holy Places but rather to lighten their burdens."

Leonardo Card. Sandri

EASTER MASS OFFERINGS

are for the personal use of our priests and form a substantial part of their income. Please remember our priests and if you can give your usual offering for them this will be most gratefully appreciated. You may do so in one of four ways:-

- Easter Offering Envelopes (cash/cheque): available in the Churches please bring them along to the Easter Vigil/ Sunday Masses.
- DONA machines - 'Easter offerings'
- Online banking : Please reference 'Easter Offering' - See front for bank details
- By cheque to the Parish Office payee 'CDP Guernsey' Please reference 'Easter Offering' on back of the cheque.

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.