

THE MESSENGER

Serving the Parish of Our Lady and The Saints of Guernsey

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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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WHAT IS PASSION SUNDAY

Passion Sunday marks the beginning of Passiontide.

The feast commemorates Christ's triumphal entry into Jerusalem, an event

mentioned in each of the four canonical Gospels. Its name originates from the palm branches waved by the crowd to greet and honor Jesus Christ as he entered the city.

PASSION SUNDAY

24th March 2024 Psalter Week 2

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

Sat 23rd	St. J	10.00am	Mass: Special Intention
	FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY		
	<i>Organ</i>	OLSS	6.00 pm Mass: Yves Davy, Roger & Beulah West RIP
Sun 24th March	PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord		Psalter Week 2
	<i>Quiet Mass</i>	St. J	8.00 am Mass: Mary de Cruz RIP
	<i>Music Group</i>	OLSS	9.15 am Mass: Dereck & Lorraine RIP
	<i>Sung/organ</i>	St. J	10.30 am Mass: Ronaldo R Roberts RIP
		St. J	4.30 pm Sung Evening Prayer and Benediction
		ND	5.30 pm Stations of the Cross: led by Parish Groups
	<i>Organ</i>	ND	6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish
25th	St. J	7.30 am	Mass: Michael Marshall RIP (FM)
	OLSS	11.00 am	Funeral Service: Ann Ogier

Tues 26th

NO MASS AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Wed 27th

St. J 9.30 am Mass: Margarida Silva RIP

NO HOLY HOUR TONIGHT

Thur 28th

MAUNDY THURSDAY

St. J 7.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER followed by Watching for 1 hour

Fri 29th

GOOD FRIDAY (Day of Fast and Abstinence)

St. J - OLSS - ND 10.00 am: **Stations of the Cross**

St. J 3.00 pm **LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

Sat 30th

HOLY SATURDAY

St. J 11.00am Świąconka - Blessings of Easter Baskets

EASTER VIGIL and FIRST MASS OF EASTER

St. J 8.30 pm Mass: People of the Parish

Sun 31st March

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 11.00 am Mass: People of the Parish

St. J 12.00 noon **Baptism:** Noah Daniel Francis Le Huray

FM - Foundation Mass

PALM SUNDAY

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!

Canon Chris, Fr Inna & Deacon Mark .



HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

Holy Thursday

7.00pm: Mass of the Lord's Supper (SJ)

Good Friday

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

3.00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion (SJ)

Holy Saturday

11.00am Świąconka - 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) 11.00am (ND)



CONFESSIONS FOR EASTER TRIDUUM



Canon Chris and Father Inna will be available at the following times next week to hear confessions.

Please do make every effort to mark the beginning of this important season.

Sat 23rd	St. J	Confessions & Exposition 10.30 - 11.30am
Sat 23rd	OLSS	Confessions 5.15 - 5.50pm
Sun 24th	OLSS	Confessions 8.45 - 9.00am
Sun 24th	St. J	Confessions after 10.30am Mass
Sun 24th	ND	Confessions 5.30 - 5.50pm
Mon 25th	St. J	Confessions 7.00 - 8.00 pm
Tues 26th	St. J	Confessions & Exposition 6.00 - 7.00 pm
Wed 27th	St. J	Confessions & Exposition 7.00 - 8.00 pm

WELCOME

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

CHRISM MASS

Fr Inna and Deacon Mark will be off Island Monday 25th & Tuesday 26th March to attend the Chrism Mass at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth.

IMPORTANT: MONDAY 25th MARCH

Please note that both the St. Apolline Mass and Our Lady Star of the Sea Stations of the Cross will not take place this Monday. This is due to Canon Chris officiating at a Funeral at Delancey and Fr Inna attending the Chrism Mass in Portsmouth.

HOLY SPIRIT PRAYER GROUP

The Holy Spirit Prayer Group will be meeting on Monday March 25th. Instead of our usual monthly Adoration evening we will join the parish community for Adoration in St Joseph's church from 7-8pm. We will then go to the parish room for a short prayer group meeting (until 8.45) and will end the evening with teas and coffees.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

This is a series of 7 sessions on Monday evenings in the Parish room at St Joseph's, starting on April 15th. If you missed the Diocesan online Life in the Spirit Seminars last year, this is a chance to attend in person, and if you have attended these seminars in the past it is always beneficial to do them again as a renewal of our faith and of our relationship with the Holy Spirit.

COFFEE MORNING – This Wednesday

The Parish room at St Joseph's will be open for coffee/tea, cake and a chat on **Wednesday March 27th and on every 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month**. Drop in any time between 9.30-11.30am. This is a chance to enjoy a cup of coffee, meet up with others and keep warm in this cold weather! Everyone is welcome!

BLESSING OF EASTER BASKETS ON HOLY SATURDAY

'ŚWIĘCONKA' ięconka 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.

LENTEN TALKS

A big thank you to all who have supported the Lenten talks so wholeheartedly. It was good to see so many attending as part of our Lenten journey.

A special thanks to all our speakers and the ladies of the UCM who provided our refreshments on the final night.

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.

ACCESS TO ST JOSEPH'S CHURCH UNTIL 6th APRIL

Please note the entire junction of the Grange, Doyle Road and Vauvert is now shut until 6 April. Access to St Joseph's is via Vauvert against the one way system. Either travel through Trinity Square, George Street and then into Allez Street and turn right into Vauvert or travel up the Grange, turn left into Havilland Street and then right onto Allez Street and follow one way into Vauvert. Please take care when exiting the church car parks as the road is one way only towards Victoria Road.

THE ISLAND PRAYER SCHEME

This week asks prayers for St John's church & Wesley Methodist church & community centre.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR

- : For a deeper love of the Passion of Christ
- : All lectors & readers in the Diocese
- : All Priests & Deacons of the Diocese
- : Extraordinary Ministers of Communion
- : Peace in the Holy Land
- : The sick of the Parish
- : Le Platon Home & all in Residential & Nursing Care

FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED

We pray for **Ann Ogier** whose Funeral Service will take place at 11.00am Monday 25th March at Our Lady Star of the Sea.

ANNIVERSARIES

For all those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

May they rest in peace. +

OFFERTORY

17 March £3,032 (Inc. Standing orders, BACS & Donate Button)

RETIRING COLLECTION

The retiring collection **this** weekend is for flowers to decorate our churches for Easter.

GOOD FRIDAY

Good Friday Collection for Christians in the Holy Land - 29 March 2024. 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. Here is the link to the Give As You Live page for this Good Friday: <https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/good-friday-collection-for-christians-in-the-holy-land>. Thank you

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): are available in the Churches please bring them along to the Easter Vigil/ Sunday Masses.
- **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.
- **Online** by debit or credit card at [https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/portsmouth-diocese-\(the-parish-of-our-lady-and-the-saints-of-guernsey\)-easter-collection-2024](https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/fundraising/portsmouth-diocese-(the-parish-of-our-lady-and-the-saints-of-guernsey)-easter-collection-2024)

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.