

Palm Sunday

Entrance Antiphon:

Hosanna to the Son of David, the King of Israel. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

1st Reading: Isaiah 50: 4-7

Psalm 21 Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

1. All who see me deride me. They curl their lips, they toss their heads. "He trusted in the Lord, let him save him; let him release him if this is his friend.. (R)

2. Many dogs have surrounded me, a band of the wicked beset me. They tear holes in my hands and my feet. I can count every one of my bones. (R)

3 They divide my clothing among them. They cast lots for my robe. O Lord, do not leave me alone, my strength, make haste to help me!. (R)

4. I will tell of your name to my brethren and praise you where they are assembled. "You who fear the Lord give him praise; all sons of Jacob, give him glory. Revere him, Israel's sons." (R)

2nd Reading Hebrews 5: 7-9

Gospel Acclamation: Christ wads humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all names.

Gospel: John 12: 20-33Mark 14: 1-15: 47

Communion Antiphon: Father, if this cup may not pass, but I must drink it, then your will be done.

YSGOL MAIR NURSERY PLACES

If your child will be three years old on or before 31st August, 2018, you are invited to apply for a nursery place for next September. Please contact the school for an application form on 01745 350762

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Gwen Kenny, Peter Crossley, John Muldoon, Eddie Hughes, Dorothy Reid, Mary Tilt, Rhoda Gracey, Margaret (Peggy) Molyneux Eilien Light, Ronald Roach, Isabel Coward, Peter Curran, Maureen Roebuck, Bob Murphy, Eileen Richards, Kevin Walton, Patrick Hallissey, Mary Tovey, Edna Allen, Elaine Roberts, Teresa Nevitt, Doreen Patterson, Dennis McLaughlin, Susan Duck Margaret Owen, Philip O'Dwyer, Dolores Ann Brownley, Margaret Jones, Georgina Wright, Viv Greener and Wendy Hargreaves.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace, AMEN.

For the sick: Barbara and Frank Cottingham, Josephine Brady, James Warburton, Arthur Jones, Aileen Bull, Marion Roberts, Norrie and Bill Jones, Lisa Gawn, Brian Harris, Mrs. Whitely, Thomas Nelson, Edith Lowe, Val Byrne, Jack Doyle, Mary Peters, John, Corinna Edwards, John Burke, Frank and Kathleen Fox, members of the Mantova family John, Margaret and Anthony, Pamela Ramsay and all sick parishioners. *(Please let us know if you wish to add a name to the sick list, or let us know if people no longer need to be prayed for).*

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Wendy Hargreaves and Viv Greener, who sadly died this week, and for their families. Funeral arrangements to follow.



Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church

119 WELLINGTON ROAD, RHYL
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PALM SUNDAY

25th March 2018

(reading cycle B, year of Mark's gospel)

Mass time

Mass Intention

SUNDAY	10.00 am - Mass for the People
MONDAY	- No service -
TUESDAY	9.30 am - Georgina Wright RIP
WEDNESDAY	9.30 am - Richard Brittenden
Maudy Thursday	8.00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper Thanksgiving Domingo Family
Good Friday	3.00 pm - Commemoration of the Lord's Passion
Holy Saturday	12noon Blessing of Easter food
	8.00 pm - Easter Vigil Mass - Margaret Jones RIP
Easter Sunday	10am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation After Mass daily and also Saturdays 10.30am-11.15am and on call.

Open Office Day Thursdays 9.00am—4.00pm

For all enquiries or sacraments see as below

For **Baptism** tel 01745 354311

Please let Fr Charles know of anyone who is ill or housebound
Who would like to receive Holy Communion at home or the **Anointing of the Sick** for healing

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Parish Finances: The church collection for Sunday 18th March amounted to, £ , £230.72 'loose' and £248.00 Gift Aid. The CAFOD collection totalled £344.26p. Many thanks. All donations made at 4tc Guitar classes go to CAFOD too.

Good Friday Special Collection
Next Friday we have the special collection for the Holy Places.

Hospital Chaplains on call:
Glan Clwyd: Mrs. Sheila Johnson, 01745 354311 /07717182557 Llandudno Hospital: Fr Moses Amune 01492 877353 Ysbty Gwynedd; Bay Hospital: Fr Frank 01492 532670 group.

Invitation to Afternoon Tea on Saturday, 7th April, 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm.

This event is in aid of Endometriosis-UK, and in support of Emma (Maria Howes' daughter), who has organised this including Raffle and sales of Calendar, to raise awareness of this chronic condition. Emma and her brother Stephen served on the altar here in Rhyl for 11 years.

Tickets are limited and will be on sale after Mass on Sunday, 25th March, cost £5.00.



Thank you to **Fr Fretch Ballesteros** who celebrated Sunday Mass last week while Fr Charles was away. Fr Fretch received a warm welcome and his presence was greatly appreciated by everyone.

Musicians for homeless An enterprising group of musicians have made a CD of poems and music by different groups related to homelessness. The CD is on sale today for five pounds and all proceeds will go to the North Wales Homelessness Fund the coalition of people and agencies who help homeless people and undertake the Christmas Day meal. The fund will be administered from the parish here. See www.facebook.com/musiciansforhomeless for more.

The **4th community Youth Club** (ages 6—16) PS4, virtual reality games, pool, wii, board games, free food and drink and lots more. In church centre weekly Friday from 4pm - 6pm. All welcome.

JOKE A 72 year old. He loves to fish. He was sitting in his boat the other day when he heard a voice say, "Pick me up."

He looked around and couldn't see any one. He thought he was dreaming when he heard the voice say again, "Pick me up." He looked in the water and there, floating on the top, was a frog. The man said, "Are you talking to me?"

The frog said, "Yes, I'm talking to you. Pick me up, then kiss me and I'll turn into the most beautiful woman you have ever seen. I'll make sure that all your friends are envious and jealous because I will be your bride!"

The man looked at the frog for a short time, reached over, picked it up carefully, and placed it in his front breast pocket. Then the frog said, "What, are you nuts? Didn't you hear what I said? I said kiss me and I will be your beautiful bride." He opened his pocket, looked at the frog and said, "Nah, at my age I'd rather have a talking frog."

Weekly Guide to Daily Prayer

We enter into a week made Holy forever by the self-surrendering love of Jesus for us all. There is a solemn nature to this week. We might be tempted to be sad or conflicted. It is not easy to get close to the reality that we are sinners and our Lord and Saviour went through this betrayal, suffering and death for us all. So sometimes we avoid looking at this week closely, and praying with it, because we fear getting into our guilt.

The invitation this week is to come closer to the reality of God's profound love for us. Yes, we are all sinners. But we are loved sinners. We are being invited to be grateful, not to beat our breasts. We are invited, in this spirit to feel all that we can feel this week. Yes, we will feel some discomfort - after all, we feel discomfort when anyone puts themselves through some sacrifice for us. And the sacrifice here is the gift of his very self - so that we might always know how completely Jesus entered into the reality of our human existence - "even death, death on a cross".

All week, we remember how he loved us. What ever we do, not matter how busy or distracted we might be, we can let the power of this week be in the background of our daily reflections. He entered into our life - with its profound joys and its punishing evils - that we might never experience those struggles alone.

So no matter what we experience this week, we can let it become a "Holy" week, letting it all be touched by the graces of this week. From the humble, yet triumphant, entry into Jerusalem, to our standing together at the foot of his cross, this can be a week which helps us

bring all of the elements of our lives, all our experiences of sin and death, into the font of his redeeming, liberating death and resurrection.

Let us pray:

Grant we pray, almighty God, that though in our weakness we fail, we may be revived through the Passion of your Only Begotten Son. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

(From the Creighton universities website - used with permission)

Day on end of life decisions

The Diocese is holding a day conference looking at the issues surrounding end of life decisions and dying well on April 27th in Buckley church, with five very good speakers. For anyone working in the Health Care field. Information is available at the back of church.

Walk with me booklets for the Easter Season are on sale today priced at £1.



The **Sacrament of Reconciliation** (confession) is available each day after morning Mass during holy Week.