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**Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes**

**PALM SUNDAY of the Passion of the Lord- YEAR A**

	<i>Time</i>	<i>Place</i>	<i>Feast of the Day</i>	<i>Mass Intention</i>
Sat Mar 28	5:15 pm 6:00pm	St F	<b>Adoration &amp; Rosary MASS</b>	<b>Private Intention</b>
Sun Mar 29	09:00 am	OLOL	<b>MASS</b>	
	11:00 am	St F	<b>MASS</b>	<b>Philip Rowlands RIP</b>
Mon Mar 30				
Tues Mar 31	6:00 pm 7:00 pm	St F	<b>NO MASS</b>	
Wed Apr 1	9:30 am 10:00 am - 10:30 am	OLOL	<b>Adoration &amp; Reconciliation MASS</b>	<b>Bernadette Wilkie RIP</b>
Thurs Apr 2	6:00 pm 8:00 pm	OLOL St F	<b>MASS MASS MAUNDY THURSDAY</b>	
Fri Apr 3	12: 00 3:00 pm	OLOL St F	<b>MASS MASS GOOD FRIDAY</b>	
<b>EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - YEAR A</b>				
Sat Apr 4	8:00 pm	St F	<b>MASS HOLY SATURDAY</b>	
Sun Apr 5	09:00 am	OLOL	<b>MASS</b>	<b>For the People of the Parish</b>
	11:00 am	St F		<b>For the People of the Parish</b>

**The Popes Intention**  
**March**

**For disarmament and peace**

Let us pray that nations move toward effective disarmament, particularly nuclear disarmament, and that world leaders choose the path of dialogue and diplomacy instead of violence.

**Please give generously to Fr Zbigniew Easter Collection**

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## Reflection Sr Veronica Brennan

The readings at Mass today set the scene for the coming week, Holy Week.

The first Reading from Isaiah invites us to enter the suffering experienced by the "Suffering servant". We are shown how to face trial and suffering in our lives. Perhaps during today and this coming week, we can focus on those trials and difficulties we experience in our own lives. We seek to unite them with the suffering experienced by Christ in his Passion and death on the Cross which we hear in the reading of the Passion. Let us lay all such suffering, illness, family difficulties, economic worries at the foot of the Cross.

Perhaps we could focus on one character in today's Passion reading and journey with them during the coming week reflecting on our own journey to the Cross with them. St Peter who denies Christ, Pilate who washes his hands of what is about to happen, Simon of Cyrene who becomes an unexpected close witness of Christ's suffering, Mary mother of sorrows as she beholds her Son on the Cross, the weeping women who mourn for their sins. A practical way to do this would be to walk the Stations of the cross in your Church.

**The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm Parish Administrator Yvonne Eaton**

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**Please pray for Lily Brooke, Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Chris Dykes, Emma Dykes, Joe Emery, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Elizabeth Sage, Arthur Mitchell, Malcolm Higgins, Sofia Joseph, Corbert Joseph, Gillian Spencer, Krzysz Zablocki, Margaret McGuire, Sean Early, Tony Lavers, John Huckle and Eveleen Softley who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.**

Sunday 29th March **Palm Sunday**, blessing of palms at all masses

**Anniversaries Blessings**

Tuesday 31st March **Chrism Mass** at St. John's Cathedral Portsmouth at 1100

**Easter Triduum**

**Maundy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter Vigil. One service over three days**

**Maundy Thursday,**

Evening Mass of The Lord's Supper and washing of feet with watching at the Altar of Repose 8:00 pm until midnight

**Good Friday**

Children's Stations of the Cross at 1030

Celebration of the Passion of The Lord. OLOL at 1200, St. F de Sales at 3:00 pm  
Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm

**Holy Saturday,** Blessing of Bread at 12:00

**Easter Vigil.** Solemn Liturgy with Reception into Full Communion of Catechumens and Candidates 8:00 pm

**Easter Sunday.** Mass at OLOL at 9:00am and at St. F de S at 1100 am

**Please pray** for our Catechumens Ali and Rajan; our Candidates Lilly, Henry, Lucy, Cuan, Olivya, Sophie, Henrietta, Lesley Morwenna, Luciana, Bruno, Garry, Suzanne, Grace and Abigail being received into Full Communion of The Church at the Easter Vigil.

Sunday 12th April Divine **Mercy Sunday.** Liturgy of Divine Mercy at OLOL at 1500

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY at OLOL.** We look forward to welcoming the children to their own liturgy which will be available on the following Sundays during the 9.00am Sunday mass at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. Sunday 19th April 3rd & 17th May 7th & 21st June 5th & 19th July. There will then be a break until September. The liturgy is for children aged 5 to 10 years. Little brothers and sisters are most welcome to join us on the mezzanine, but please they must be accompanied by an adult to all sessions.

		<b>OLOL</b>	<b>St F</b>
Tuesday 24 <sup>th</sup> March	<b>Pastoral Area Penitential Service at</b>  St. Joseph's at 1930		
Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass  Stations of the Cross & Reconciliation		1930  1930
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> /Sun 29 <sup>th</sup> March	Mass with blessing of palms	0900	1800/1100
Palm Sunday	<b>Anniversaries Blessings</b>		
Tuesday 31 <sup>st</sup> March	<b>Chrism Mass</b> – St. John's Cathedral  Portsmouth at 1100		
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup> April	<b>Evening Mass of The Lord's Supper</b> and washing of feet with watching at the Altar of Repose to 2400  <b>Holy Thursday</b>	1800	2000
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup> April	CTNA Service & Walk of Witness  Children's Stations of the Cross  <b>Celebration of the Passion of The Lord</b>  Stations of the Cross	1200	1030 1000 1500 1900
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	Blessing of Bread  <b>Holy Saturday</b>		1200
Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Solemn Liturgy with Reception</b> into Full Communion of Catechumens and  Candidates		2000
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	Mass  <b>Easter Sunday</b>	0900	1100
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>Mass in Latin</b>		1900