



ST MICHAEL & ST GEORGE

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Sunday, 25th March 2018

PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION – YEAR B

Mass Intention: Albert and Phyllis Vanner RIP

Hymns for today:

Entrance Hymn: 320
Offertory Hymn: 229
Communion Hymn: 967
Recessional Hymn: 230

Mass Settings for today:

Kyrie: Said **Acclamation:** M40
Gloria: None **Great Amen:** M43
Sanctus: M39 **Agnus Dei:** M20

WELCOME

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

There will be a Children's Liturgy today. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, may be found hanging on the chairs at the back of church to be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace after use.

After Mass refreshments are served at the back of the Cathedral.

COLLECTIONS

The plate collection for last Sunday was **£128.80**. There will be a **Special Collection** on Good Friday for the **Holy Places**.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Readers: Mrs G Edwards; Mrs E Haddon
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Mr E Baldwin; Mrs J Hall; Mr A Howard; Mr J Thompson
Welcome Team: Mrs A Gosnell; Mrs G Hyman
Children's Liturgy: Mrs P Rossiter

SERVICES THIS WEEK

Wed 28th Mar: **Wednesday of Holy Week**
1145hrs – Midday Prayer & Angelus
1200hrs – Holy Mass
Kathleen Fernando RIP
Thu 29th Mar: **Maundy Thursday**
2000hrs – Mass of the Lord's Supper,
Washing of Feet and Watch until Midnight
Rose Sherry (sick)
Fri 30th Mar: **Good Friday**
1500hrs – Liturgy of the Day
Sat 31st Mar: **Holy Saturday**
2000hrs – Easter Vigil & First Mass of Easter
Nicholas Kavanagh RIP

MINISTRIES FOR SUNDAY, 1st APRIL 2018

Readers: Mrs G Edwards; Col P Thomas
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Mrs P Brooks; Mrs E Haddon; Mr A Howard; Mr J Thompson
Welcome Team: Mrs L Morton; Mrs S Cole
Children's Liturgy: Mrs P Ryan

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions, together with Christians throughout the world at this holy time who are persecuted for their faith.

TEACHING POINT

The last two weeks of Lent are a time of immediate preparation for the Sacred Triduum and the veils that cover the crosses and statues are a forceful reminder to get ready. The Church uses veils to produce a heightened sense of anticipation for Easter Sunday, drawing attention to the fact that something very beautiful is hidden from view. The veils are not meant to be there forever. The images need to be unveiled; it is unnatural for them to be covered. The unveiling before the Easter Vigil is a great reminder that we live in a 'veiled' world, in exile from our true home. It is only through our own death that the veil is lifted and we are finally able to see the true beauty of everything.

PRAYERFUL REMEMBRANCE

Memorial Cards for Bishop Frank Walmsley are available at the back of church for those who wish to take one.

SPRING CLEAN

The sprucing-up of the Cathedral in readiness for Easter will take place this Tuesday, 27th March from 1000hrs.

LITURGICAL VOLUNTEERS

Congregational members of all ages and sexes are asked to offer themselves for the Foot Washing and Watch until Midnight on Maundy Thursday by adding their names to the lists.

SPIRITUAL OPPORTUNITY

A course entitled 'The Gift – Life in the Spirit' will be running on Wednesday evenings in St Joan of Arch Church, Farnham. There is no charge, everyone is welcome but advance booking is required. Registration forms available at the back of church.

SPONSORED EATING

A team of volunteers, led by David Beal and Mary Casey, will be providing a cooked breakfast in aid of the Mercy Ships on Saturday, 7th April in St Joseph's Church Hall, Aldershot from 1000hrs to 12 noon. The cost is £5 (payable in advance) and all profits go to: www.mercyships.org.uk

PASCHAL OFFERING

Mass will be celebrated at 0800hrs and 1100hrs next Sunday. Attendance at any of the Easter Masses fulfils the obligation.

AND FINALLY ...

... life can be very much like an onion; you peel off one layer at a time and sometimes you weep.

With every blessing
Fr Nick