



CATHOLIC PARISH GUILDFORD

# TRIDUUM

*This email is by way of an invitation to be part of the Great Liturgy of the Church which we celebrate over the coming three days - with our celebration of the Resurrection of the Lord then continuing through the Octave next week and the whole **Easter** Season.*

*We keep in our prayers the 20 adult members of our community who will be baptised or received and then confirmed at the Easter Vigil.*

*It is with real sadness that Mgr. Tony has now to be away for the Triduum Liturgies - the Bishop has asked him to support another Surrey parish who would otherwise be without a priest - but he will be back for the Easter celebrations! Thank you for your understanding, and wishing you every blessing over these days.*



## Holy Thursday

*In the evening, entering the Easter Triduum, the Christian community relives what happened at the Last Supper in the Mass of the Lord's Supper. In the Upper Room, the Redeemer wanted to anticipate the sacrifice of his*

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*life in the Sacrament of the bread and wine changed into his Body and Blood: he anticipated his death, he freely gave his life, he offered the definitive gift of himself to humanity. With the washing of the feet, the gesture with which, having loved his own, he loved them to the end is repeated (cf. Jn 13:1), and he bequeathed this act of humility to his disciples as their "badge": love unto death. After the Mass of the Lord's Supper, the liturgy invites the faithful to pause in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament, reliving Jesus' agony in Gethsemane. And we see that the disciples fell asleep, leaving their Lord on his own.*

**Maundy Thursday 8pm**  
**- MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**  
at St. Mary's, St. Joseph's and St. Pius X



## **Good Friday**

*Good Friday, which commemorates the events between Christ's condemnation to death and his Crucifixion, is a day of penance, fasting and prayer, of participation in the Lord's Passion. At the prescribed hour, the Christian Assembly, with the help of the Word of God and liturgical actions, renews the history of human infidelity to the divine plan, which was nonetheless brought about exactly in this way; and it listens once again to the moving narrative of the Lord's sorrowful Passion. The Assembly then addresses to the Heavenly Father a "prayer of the faithful" which embraces all the needs of the Church and of the world. Subsequently, the community adores the Cross and receives the Eucharist, consuming the sacred species reserved from the Mass of the Lord's Supper on the previous day.*

**Good Friday 3pm**  
**- SOLEMN LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION**

at St. Mary's, St. Joseph's, St. Pius X and St. Edward the Confessor

**Holy Saturday 9am**  
**- THE OFFICE OF READINGS & MORNING PRAYER**  
at St. Edward the Confessor



## **Easter Vigil**

*Holy Saturday is the day when the liturgy is hushed, the day of great silence, and Christians are invited to preserve interior recollection, often difficult to encourage in our day, in order to be better prepared for the Easter Vigil. Finally, during the Easter Vigil the veil of sorrow which shrouds the Church because of the death of the Lord will be torn by the victorious cry: Christ is risen and has defeated death for ever! We will then truly be able to understand the mystery of the Cross, "since God also creates wonders even in the impossible," an ancient writer says, "so that we may know that he alone can do what he wills. From his death comes our life, from his wounds our healing, from his fall our resurrection, from his descent our uplifting" (Anonymous, Quartodecimano)*

**Holy Saturday 8.30pm**

**- THE SOLEMN VIGIL OF EASTER**

at St. Mary's (All the Readings), St. Joseph's and St. Pius X  
Followed by refreshments

## **EASTER SUNDAY**

**Mass times as Normal**

**(except no 5pm Mass Sunday Evening)**

There will be a celebration of Mass using the 1962  
Missal (Latin)  
at St. Edward's, 12.30pm on Easter Sunday.

**CHILDREN, YOUTH & FAMILIES**

Join us for Families Way of the Cross this Good Friday.



An interactive liturgy through Jesus' Passion, especially for families with children in primary school.

**Good Friday, 7th April, 10 am**

Taking place across the parish:

- > St Joseph's Church with live actors
  - > St Mary's Church
  - > St Pius X Church
  - > St Edward's Church

All with refreshments in the hall after.

Please let us know by clicking [here](#) if you are joining us so we can prepare the right number of resources. And bake enough hot cross buns for everyone!

## GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS

The Walk of Witness on Good Friday starts at 10.30 am (gathering and initial prayers at 10.15 am) in Friary Street at the bottom of North Street and proceeds to Holy Trinity. We are invited to join the other local Churches for this important act of witness.

Please note that this is suited to Adults - Families are invited to gather at 10.00 am in any of our four churches for a children's Way of the Cross - details above under **Families**.

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## EASTER WEEK

[MASSES EASTER WEEK - Monday 10 - Saturday 15 April](#)

The Mass of Easter will be celebrated Monday to Friday at 10am in St. Joseph's Church.

### EVENING PRAYER (LIVESTREAM)

There is no evening prayer then until Monday 17th April (because of the Sacred Triduum and Octave of Easter)

## EASTER OFFERING

The priests would like to thank you for the Easter Offering. As they do not receive a salary they are very grateful for your support through the Easter Collection.

### **Thank you.**

#### Contactless Giving

Parishioners are making good use of the contactless machines available in each of our churches, which reduces the volume of cash that needs to be counted and banked every week - thank you. The machines are however sometimes busy, so we have introduced a further option for online giving using the link <https://donate.mydona.com/st-pius-guildford> or the QR code below. This will provide an opportunity to give to all open appeals together with a facility to register for Gift Aid on eligible donations.

if you would like any further information, please [email contactless@cpg.church](mailto:contactless@cpg.church)



## FORMATION

[JOIN US THIS EASTERTIDE FOR BELONG & BELIEVE](#)



Let's come together and reflect on what community means for us as individuals and as a larger parish. Let's reflect on how we can grow in faith; on the role of the Spirit in our lives; our love for creation, and how we can put our faith and love into action in our lives, our parish, and the wider community of Guildford.

To help frame our conversations, we'll use a course, *Belong & Believe*, that draws on our Celtic spiritual heritage's immense wisdom and inspiration to help us find renewed faith and vision together. Sessions start the week of the 17th of April.

We are offering three opportunities in the week to join us for this exciting adventure:

- **Tuesdays 11 am-12.30 pm** at St Joseph's Church (GU1 4AZ)
- **Tuesdays 8 - 9.30 pm** on Zoom
- **Wednesdays 7.30 pm - 9 pm** at St Pius X Church (GU1 2TS)

We want everyone to be able to join in these conversations, no matter their background or how often they attend Mass. Every single person in the community's voice matters!

If you want to join us, click [here](#).

## CPG LIVESTREAM

SUNDAY MASS ONLINE: 10.30am and 5 pm | JOIN US FOR DAILY MASS  
ONLINE: Monday-Saturday - 10 am

## PARISH PRAYER

Looking into the signs of the times by the light of faith, almighty God, may we constantly devote ourselves to the service of the Gospel.

Keep us attentive to the needs of all, that, sharing their grief and pain, their joy and hope, we may faithfully bring them the good news of salvation and go forward with them along the way of your Kingdom.

Through Christ our Lord

AMEN



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