

# PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD YEAR C

**13<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2025: Mass Time**

Saturday 13 <sup>th</sup> April	11:00 am	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD	John Wheeler (+)
Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April	9:30 am	TUESDAY OF HOLY WEEK	Sharon Miles (Thanksgiving)

## TRIDUUM LITURGY TIMES

17 <sup>th</sup> APRIL	HOLY THURSDAY	7:00 pm	HOLY MASS	PRIVATE INTENTION
18 <sup>th</sup> APRIL	GOOD FRIDAY	9:00 am 3.00 pm	STATIONS OF THE CROSS PASSION OF THE LORD	
19 <sup>th</sup> APRIL	HOLY SATURDAY	9:00 pm	EASTER VIGIL MASS	PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
20 <sup>th</sup> APRIL	SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION	11:00 am	EASTER MASS	Sally Atkins (Thanksgiving)



*Fr. Nnam Obi's prayer for you this Holy Week is that each of us may be the radiant face of Christ, for He has promised that he will always be with us, to give us hope and to call each of us to rise with Him.*

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Please feel free to contact Fr. Nnam Di Obi to arrange confession

**If Father Obi is not available and a priest is required urgently, please call:  
St. Mary's: 01793 535089 / Holy Rood: 01793 522062 / St. Peter's: 01793871167**

## **St Joseph's Catholic Church, Wroughton**

We welcome visitors and anyone who is visiting us for the first time.

We pray for God's special blessing on you.

We wish you a very Happy and Holy worship with us.



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<b>Readings</b>	:	<b>Sunday Mass Cycle C: Lent Week 6 Year 1.</b>
<b>Eucharistic Prayer</b>	:	<b>Psalter 2 (or at Priest's Choice)</b>
<b>Entrance Antiphon</b>	:	Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!
<b>First Reading</b>	:	Isaiah 50: 4-7.
<b>Psalm Response</b>	:	<b>My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?</b>
<b>Second Reading</b>	:	Philippians 2: 6-11
<b>Gospel Acclamation</b>	:	<b>Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory:</b> Christ became for us obedient to the point of death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name that is above every name. <b>Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory:</b>
<b>Gospel</b>	:	Luke 22: 14-23:56
<b>Communion Antiphon</b>	:	Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it, your will be done.

### **THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS**

#### **1<sup>st</sup> Reading**

I hid not my face from disgrace, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading**

He humbled himself, therefore God has highly exalted him.

#### **Gospel**

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ, according to St Luke, begins by introducing the story of the trial, crucifixion and death of Christ in a 'passive tone.' "Jesus is brought to Pilate by the chief priests and elders of the people," being accused of inciting the people to revolt against the Roman authority.

Unlike the moral accusation of the woman presented to us last Sunday, he committed no sin; no guile was found on his lips; but he willingly and passionately embraced the cross to save humankind.

The drama isn't new. It has been re-enacted by Christians over and over again for many centuries. However, it is new every moment. The wounds of sin and inhumanity that go with it remain breath taking.

We are invited to follow, once more, the way of the cross. The characters in passion become yet again a mirror reflecting each one of us. Cross is cross, no matter how beautiful we would want to polish it or paint it. May our little crosses of life not overwhelm us. May we, by God's grace, be passionate about turning every cross into a sacrifice for the good of all.

#### HOLY WEEK OFFERTORY COLLECTION

**HOLY THURSDAY - ACHIEVE AFRICA**  
**GOOD FRIDAY - HOLY SEE**  
**EASTER MASSES - PARISH PRIEST**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS: We invite all parishioners to join us for the Stations of the Cross this Friday at 9:00 AM.**

**LENT CONFESSION: Priest will be available to hear your confession on Tuesday 15th April at 10:00 am soon after mass.**

**Saint Joseph's Catholic College, Lay Chaplain Vacancy** - for a Lay Chaplain effective to start from September 2025 which is a full-time role, but we'll also consider candidates interested in part-time and flexible working options. Please see the Eteach link here for the full recruitment pack <https://www.eteach.com/jobs?EmployNo=13362> or contact our HR team for further information at [hr@stjosephscollege.net](mailto:hr@stjosephscollege.net) or by phone on (01793) 236053. Deadline for applications is Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April.

**Clifton Diocese** is seeking to recruit a Diocesan Director of the National Schools Singing Programme (NSSP) for their diocese, which will also combine the role of Junior Choir Director at Clifton Cathedral. The NSSP scheme is a national scheme that seeks to encourage singing in schools and cathedrals in the UK, especially in Catholic state schools. The successful applicant would be expected to initiate the NSSP in schools across the diocese and be committed to both school and church choral music. More information available at: [music@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:music@cliftondiocese.com).

**CHRISM MASS:** The Chrism Mass is celebrated in Clifton Cathedral on Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 11:00 am.

**MARRIAGE HELP** - Retrouvaille helps couples find hope and healing for their marriage. **Next date: 20-22 June** [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) **Tel: 0788 7296983.**

**RE ADVISER FOR SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES DEPARTMENT** - The Diocese is looking for a part-time RE Adviser (2 days/week, term-time) to support Catholic education across our schools and colleges. Experience in RE teaching or advising, knowledge of the new RE and Prayer & Liturgy Directories, and the ability to lead training and school reviews are essential. Secondary/post-16 experience and CSI inspection experience are an advantage.

📍 Based in Bristol with travel across the Diocese.

📅 Apply by 9 May 2025

📞 More info: Working for Us | Clifton Diocese

📞 Contact: Mary Cox or Louise White – 0117 902 5590

**CONFIRMATION 2025:** The date for the Sacrament of Confirmation is on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 7:00pm. The next preparation session will be on Tuesday **29<sup>th</sup> April at 6:30pm - 8 pm.**

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** The date for First Holy Communion 2025 is on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 11:00 am and Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 2pm. The next preparation session is **26<sup>th</sup> April 2025 at 10:00am -11:00 am.**

**BIBLE ALIVE GROUP FOR LENT:** Are you thinking of making the best Lent this year? Why not join the Bible Alive group as we share a cuppa, pray and explore our Lenten book, Journey through Lent with Luke, by Nancy Koester, £4.99. Our friendly group meets at 2.30 in the Parish Room each week from Ash Wednesday, 5 March to 16 April (Holy Week). You will be very welcome, meet new and perhaps old friends, and over the weeks will draw a little closer to our Lord Jesus. If you can't join us, consider getting the book to read at home, it is available on Amazon for £4.99. To register for the group or ask any questions call me, Diana, on 07813940076.

**PARKING:** At busy times, such as Sunday Mass, do consider parking in the free public carpark in the Ellendune Centre, when the Church car park is full. Please keep the roads and pavements near the Church clear and avoid blocking people's residence and shops.

#### PARISH ACCOUNT DETAILS

Account Holder	Clifton Diocese
Account Number	66287197
Sort Code	52-10-03

**Anniversaries:** We pray for the dead, and those who have died recently and all whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.

**Diocesan Prayer Link:** *St. George/ St. Teresa of Lisieux, Taunton.*

*St. John Fisher, Wellington, with Wiveliscombe.*

**Pope's Message:** Pope Francis has released his prayer intention for the month of April. The intention is for the use of the new technologies. Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationship, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.