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Sunday 26th March 2023: The Fifth Sunday of Lent. The start of Passiontide

Masses and Services this coming week

DAY	WHALLEY	LANGHO	OSBALDESTON
Saturday 25th	5.30pm Vigil Mass: (DMY) <i>Elizabeth Bridgid Snape (A)</i>	10.30am Confessions: (LH)	
Sunday 26th <i>5th Sunday of Lent</i>	11.15am Mass: (DMY) <i>Pro-Populo</i>	9.15am Mass: (DMY/LH) <i>Fr Michael Coleman LD</i>	2.30pm Stations of the Cross
		1.30pm Baptism: (DMY)	3pm Mass: (DMY/JC) <i>Fr Michael Coleman LD</i>
Monday 27th		9am Eucharistic Service	
Tuesday 28th	10am Mass: (DMY) <i>Leo Wells (A)</i>	9am Eucharistic Service	
Wednesday 29th	10am Eucharistic Service	9am Eucharistic Service	10am Mass (DMY/JC) <i>Betty Forrest (A)</i>
Thursday 30th		12 Noon Rosary	
Friday 31st		9am Eucharistic Service	
Saturday 1st April	10.15am Confessions: (DMY) 11am Mass: (DMY) <i>Fred Milligan (A)</i>	10am Mass: (DMY) <i>Bill Edwardson (A)</i>	
		12 Noon: Stations of the Cross	
Sunday 2nd <i>Palm Sunday</i>	11.15am Mass: (DMY) <i>Thomas and Ellen Shuttleworth (A)</i>	10.30am Confessions (LH)	
		5.30pm Vigil Mass: (DMY) <i>Pro-Populo</i>	
		9.15am Mass: (DMY/LH) <i>Pro-Populo</i>	2.30pm Stations of the Cross
			3pm Mass: (DMY/JC) <i>Priest's Intention</i>

Grateful Thanks: to everyone who has contributed to the upkeep of our parishes.

	Whalley	Langho	Osbaldeston
Gift Aid	£162.90	£262.00	£166.00
Loose	£175.45	£235.00	£42.20
Other Income	£537.10	£697.10	£30.00
TOTAL	£875.45	£1,194.10	£238.20

Masses Received Barney Keena (A) (x2) For the work of the Equestrian Order of the Holy Sepulchre, Private Intention, Joseph Coleman (Sick) Arthur Pearson (A) Rhona Stott (A) Edward Reeder (A)

Fr Michael Coleman SM: Fr Michael's Funeral will take place on Tuesday 28th March in Middlesbrough. He will be remembered here at the Masses this weekend.

Holy Week: The times of Masses and Services for Holy Week and Easter will be in NEXT Sunday's Newsletter.

British Summer Time: Please remember that the clocks go forward one hour this weekend.

Communion Under Both Kinds: Please see the following statement from our Dean, Fr Mark Harold.

“For three years we have not been distributing Communion from the chalice due to the Covid pandemic. Since virtually all restrictions for Covid have now been removed, the Bishop’s Conference of England and Wales have announced that we may reintroduce receiving Holy Communion from the chalice from Maundy Thursday. It will be the duty of the Parish Priest to discern exactly when is the appropriate time to implement the re-introduction in each parish.

*This issue was discussed by the priests of our deanery this week and the consensus among the local clergy is that it would be good to use the Season of Easter to reflect on the gift of the Precious Blood: to do some catechesis on why we are encouraged to receive communion under both kinds; to recruit new Eucharistic Ministers if necessary, and to build up the confidence of both priests and people. The church has sought advice from senior medical professionals, and we have been assured that the risk of spreading infection is minimal. The fact the chalice is a precious metal, and the Precious Blood has a reasonably high alcohol content helps to minimise that risk. If we inform ourselves during the Easter season, we can then plan to re-introduce the practice of receiving from the chalice for the Feast of **Corpus Christi; the Body & Blood of Jesus, which this year is on Sunday 11th June.***

As always, **it will be a personal choice** as to whether to receive Holy Communion under both kinds; no one is obliged to receive; but we are encouraged to do so.”

ENGLISH MARTYRS, WHALLEY

Thank You: to everyone who helped with or supported our “Mothers’ Day Event” last Saturday. The sum raised came to £522.10. Your hard work and generosity is greatly appreciated.

Gift Aid Envelopes: The new boxes are available for collection at the back of church. Quite a few people have amended their Standing Orders, so please make sure to take your NAMED box rather than the number you had last year.

Easter Flowers: As we approach Easter, the flower ladies are making their plans for the floral displays which will enhance our church throughout the season. If you wish to help with the cost of purchasing the Easter flowers, then there is a box at the back of church for any offerings you wish to make. Thank you in advance for your generosity.

ST MARY’S, LANGHO

Gift Aid Envelopes: These are available at the back of Church.

CAFOD: Grateful thanks to everyone who supported the Family Fast Day (£485.00) and the Home Baking Stall (£162.10.) Your hard work and generosity is also greatly appreciated.

ST MARY’S, OSBALDESTON

Log Sale: These will be on sale today. Please contact Graeme Tootle.

Easter Raffle tickets: These will be sold after Mass. We would appreciate any Easter type gifts towards the hamper. Thank You.

Easter Lilies: We are, once again, asking for donations towards our Easter lily display. £1.00 towards each lily and a dedication. We will be collecting today, March 26th and April 2nd. Remember your deceased loved ones and those you wish to pray for in this special way.

Tea and Chat: The next meeting in the Heatley Rooms will be on Monday 17th April. All are welcome and transport is available if required.