Collections for Sunday 18th March

Parish	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass		
Immaculate					Sat 41		
Conception	£107.00	£39.00	£41.48	£187.48	Sun 11		
All Saints	No Mass						
St. John's	No Mass						
			Total	£187.48	52		

Grateful thanks to everyone for your generous offerings.

Parish Notices

Anyone who needs transport for **Maundy Thursday**, please see Robin or Sandra in Immaculate Conception or Vince in All Saints.

All Saints There will be church cleaning on Wednesday from 9.30am. Your help would be much appreciated.

Lenten Alms box at the back of the Church, in aid of Syrian Refugees.

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

GOOD FRIDAY there will be a special collection for the work of the Holy Land during the veneration of the Cross.

EASTER OFFERING On Easter Weekend, there will be only one collection. Easter Offering Envelopes are available at the back of the Church. Please give your Easter Offering generously to our Parish Priest.

WISHING YOU ALL A FRUITFUL HOLY WEEK LEADING TO A HAPPY AND GLORIOUS EASTER



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Palm Sunday	Mass Book P180		25th Mar 2018	
Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	David O'Connor & Riley family Betty Reeves (b'day)	
Palm Sunday	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Betty Austyn-Prys	
	10:30am	All Saints	Sid Withey RIP Mary & Bill Benger & Family RIP Rennie Stephen Hayes & Family RIP Ciggett Family Intention	
	5:30pm	St. John's	Barbara and Les Cushen (RIP) Mary and Gwyn Morgan (RIP)	
Monday 26th	10:00am	St. John's		
Tuesday 27th	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Darren Thomas (b'day)	
Wed 28th	11:30am	St David's Cathedral	CHRISM MASS	
Maundy Thursday Mass of the Lord's Supper	7:00pm	St. John's	Gordon Wilcox RIP	
Good Friday	10:00am	Immaculate Conception STATIONS OF THE CROSS		
•	3:00pm	All Saints	PASSION OF THE LORD	
Holy Saturday	3:00pm	Immaculate Conception	Blessing of Easter Food	
Easter Vigil	7:00pm	Immaculate Conception	David O'Connor & family Sheehy Family	
Easter Sunday	9:00am	Immaculate Conception		
1st April	10:30am	All Saints	Nell & Tom Hopkins RIP Eddie Scrivens RIP	

VIGIL LAMPS

St. John's

All Saints:Our LadyDerek's WellbeingAll Saints:Sacred HeartOur Pastoral AreaImmaculate Conception:Our LadyArchbishop StackImmaculate Conception:Sacred HeartFor the Pastoral area

12:30pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

All Saints: Daily from 10:30am until 6:00pm
St. John: Monday after 10:00am Mass
Immaculate Conception: Friday 12 noon until 3:00pm

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)

All Saints: After Mass on Wednesday / Saturday
St. John's: Before Mass on Sunday and Monday
Immaculate Conception: Before Mass on Saturday and Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION

For the sake of the future, he endured the cross.

There are two Gospel passages presented to us in the Sunday Mass this week – Jesus' triumphal entry into Jerusalem and St Matthew's account of the Passion of the Lord. The contrast between the two could not be greater.

In the first Jesus is fully in control, commandeering a donkey and a colt as transport, and being hailed by the crowds as a prophet. But in the account of the Passion Jesus seems powerless in the face of the authorities and almost everyone, even his closest friends, abandon him.

The challenge for us is to stick with Jesus in the good times - as well as the not so good ones. Though Jesus had been abandoned by most of his followers he did not give up. Though he was stripped and beaten he kept going. Though he was taunted and abused he did not retaliate.

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Mass Requests

The custom of requesting a Priest to celebrate Mass for a specific intention, even when one cannot be present at Mass, is a long-standing tradition in the Catholic Church, and in Scripture.

The faithful will usually make an offering, called a stipend, to the Priest in order to apply the Mass for a specific need or intention, ie:

- 1 Journey mercies
- 2 Recovery from illness (wellbeing)
- 3 Birthdays and anniversaries
- 4 Success in any project or studies etc

By making this offering and parting with something that is yours, the offeror associates him - or herself to the sacrifice of Christ that is offered on the altar.

Please pray for the Parishioners of our Pastoral Area

whose anniversary occurs at this time:

Elizabeth O'Connor, Mary Real, Florence McCarthy, Con Kelly, Eddie Bailey, Mary Jones, Joseph Flaherty.. Mary Elizabeth Griffiths, James Hendry Lennon, Catherine Mary James, Mary Morgan, Elizabeth Austyn-Prys, Winifred Moore, Louisa Gina Illari, Royston Matthews.

for the sick and housebound:

St John's: Mary Benjamin (Thomas), Margaret Jones, Maureen Morgan, Peter Cavendar

All Saints: Derek Kerwick, Maria Bevan, Maureen Matthews, John Godfrey, Norma Beecher, Kathleen Bennett, Margaret Williams, Joy Jones

Immaculate Conception: Kath Thomas, Pam Williams, Brian Garrett, Jeanette Badham, Yvonne Brown, Doris Norris, Kath Williams, Winnie Buckley, Louis Moorhead, Baby Isla, Mavis Garrett

Anima Christi

Soul of Christ, sanctify me
Body of Christ, save me
Blood of Christ, inebriate me
Water from the side of Christ, wash me
Passion of Christ, strengthen me
O good Jesus, hear me
Within Thy wounds hide me
Separated from Thee let me never be
From the malicious enemy defend me
In the hour of my death call me
And bid me come unto Thee
That I may praise Thee with Thy saints
Forever and ever Amen