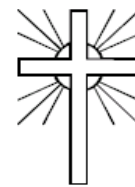


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SUNDAY 10TH APRIL 2022

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD 2022

Further relaxation of time saving measures

Fr Martin writes,

Many thanks to the people who responded to the questions posed in the newsletter supplement of 27th February.

Most people said they would feel comfortable if, when we celebrate Holy Mass, we bring back those elements we've been leaving out to make Holy Mass shorter so people spend less time indoors together; and at the same time, most people said, at that time, that they agreed those measures should continue for the time being. Six weeks have now passed, and my impression from conversations I've had lately with parishioners is that the time has come to start bringing more things back.

So, from Easter Sunday, we'll reintroduce these elements in the celebration of Holy Mass.

- *Entrance procession and more than one verse of the opening hymn*
- *The bidding prayers and Hail Mary*
- *The use of a variety of Eucharistic Prayers*
- *The sign of peace*

For the sign of peace, people are advised to use a non-contact gesture, since the person you're offering the peace to may not be comfortable in shaking hands.

Other elements will follow as Eastertide proceeds (including the procession of the gifts of bread and wine and waiting until the collection has arrived at the sanctuary before beginning the offertory prayers).

Fr Martin writes,

I think it might be time to revisit the question of Holy Mass on Sunday mornings in Glossop. There's two things that have provoked this thought.

One is a conversation I had with a faithful and committed parishioner after Holy Mass at St Mary's last Sunday, who told me that many older people aren't able to get up and active in time for Holy Mass at 9.15am. The other is learning that this weekend, Palm Sunday, and next Sunday, Easter Sunday, at St Mary Crowned there won't be an organist or other musician to accompany singing and (on Easter Sunday) play for us.

You remember that we considered these two options which were chosen by the pastoral

council from the many suggestions submitted by parishioners:

- *6pm Vigil Mass at All Saints, 9.15am Morning Mass at St Mary Crowned, and 11.15am Morning Mass at All Saints*
- *6pm Vigil Mass at All Saints, and 10.30am Morning Mass at St Mary Crowned*

Most people, at that time, judged the first option to be best, but it wasn't by a large margin.

In view of those two things that got me thinking, and also considering that both All Saints and St Mary Crowned have had experiences lately on a number of occasions of having no musician to play at the Sunday morning Mass, and that there are now no altar servers at All Saints, should we now move to the 10.30am option?

These are the advantages that I can see, and others might be able to identify additional ones

- *The Sunday morning resources of Catholics in Glossop will be concentrated in one Mass, making it less likely that we lack a musician, an altar server, or other people to undertake particular tasks at the Sunday morning Mass.*
- *10.30am is better suited than 9.15am for people who find it hard to get started in the morning*
- *10.30am is also better than 11.15am for people who host family gatherings on Sunday lunchtimes*
- *When there are special celebrations, like Palm Sunday, when Holy Mass takes longer than usual, there's no danger of some people finding that Holy Mass is late starting because an earlier Mass ran late*

Some people who presently celebrate Sunday morning Mass at All Saints will choose to take part at St Mary Crowned and others will choose to take part at the Vigil Mass at All Saints, not only adding to the numbers taking part in each of those these celebrations but also giving each celebration a larger pool of people to share particular tasks.

If we decide to make the change to one Sunday morning Mass in Glossop, this won't happen until 29th May.

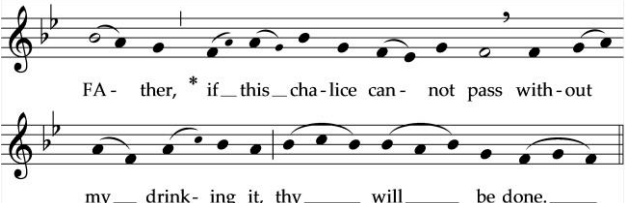
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The Week Ahead (ASC = All Saints Church, SMH = St Mary's Hall, SMC = St Mary's Church)

Parish Mass Book: This weekend's Readings: p.184, Gloria p. 9, Creed p.12

Saturday 9th 6.00pm,	Lenten Feria ASC Holy Mass with solemn procession from the green gates (Maureen Elliott RIP (LD))
Sunday 10th 9.15am, 11.15am,	Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord 34 days to go! Our week of special events starts on 14th May SMC Holy Mass with solemn procession from SMH (Terry Burns and John McLeish (Anniversary) RIP (BB)) ASC Holy Mass with simple procession from the church porch (The People of the Parishes)
Monday 11th 10.00am,	Monday of Holy Week ASC Holy Mass (Mass of Thanksgiving (SM))
Tuesday 12th 10.00am,	Tuesday of Holy Week ASC Holy Mass (Vitoria, Ada, George, Paul and John Sonczak RIP (AMB))
Wednesday 13th	Wednesday of Holy Week - 11.30am, Chrism Mass at St Barnabas' Cathedral
Thursday 14th 7.00pm, 9.30pm,	Maundy Thursday ASC Holy Mass – The Mass of the Lord's Supper (Patrick Shanahan RIP (GS)) ASC Night Prayer
Friday 15th 3.00pm, 7.00pm,	Friday of the Passion of the Lord – Good Friday SMC Solemn Liturgy ASC Stations of the Cross
Saturday 16th 10.00-10.30am 8.45pm,	Holy Saturday ASC Confessions , <i>Please come dressed for the weather as you may need to wait outside</i> ASC Easter Vigil Mass (Fr Martin's deceased relatives, friends and benefactors RIP)
Sunday 17th 9.15am, 11.15am,	Easter Day of the Resurrection of the Lord SMC Holy Mass (Special Intention (HR)) ASC Holy Mass (The People of the Parishes)

<p>Holy Week Announcements: Communion Antiphon for Palm Sunday:</p>  <p>FA-ther, * if this cha-lice can-not pass with-out my drink-ing it, thy will be done.</p>	<p>GLOSSOP ROSARY – Continuing on Monday 11th April with the Glorious Mysteries. St Mary's church cleaning on Wednesday 13th April at 10am, cleaning materials, gloves and aprons provided; Please bring your bells to Mass on Maundy Thursday and at the Easter Vigil on Saturday to ring at the Gloria; There will be a 'Bring your own bottle' celebration after the Easter Vigil Mass at ASC on Saturday;</p>
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The funeral details have now been announced for Anne Walsh RIP, whose death was reported in last week's newsletter. Anne's funeral Mass will be celebrated at St Mary Crowned at 10am on Thursday 21st April, God willing. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

Anne will be remembered by many for all her services to our community here in Glossop.
 A tribute to Anne from her family: "How we shall miss Anne's inspiring, faithful presence in our parish. She touched so many of our lives. Heaven will now be blessed by her as she blessed all of us."

Please remember in your prayers this week:
 Philomena Brennan who asks for prayers for healing and relief from a long standing problem.
CAFOD: Many thanks for your tremendous recent efforts and donations, full details of the funds raised will be given in the next week's Newsletter.