

Entrance Gospel

At that time: Jesus went on ahead, going up to Jerusalem. When he drew near to Bethphage and Bethany, at the mount that is called Olivet, he sent two of the disciples, saying, 'Go into the village in front of you, where on entering you will find a colt tied, on which no one has ever yet sat. Untie it and bring it here. If anyone asks you, "Why are you untying it?" you shall say this: "The Lord has need of it." 'So those who were sent went away and found it just as he had told them. And as they were untying the colt, its owners said to them, 'Why are you untying the colt?' And they said, 'The Lord has need of it.' And they brought it to Jesus, and throwing their cloaks on the colt, they set Jesus on it. And as he rode along, they spread their cloaks on the road. As he was drawing near — already on the way down the Mount of Olives — the whole multitude of his disciples began to rejoice and praise God with a loud voice for all the mighty works that they had seen, saying, 'Blessed is the King who comes in the name of the Lord! Peace in heaven and glory in the highest!' And some of the Pharisees in the crowd said to him, 'Teacher, rebuke your disciples.' He answered, 'I tell you, if these were silent, the very stones would cry out.'

Luke 19:28-40

First reading

The Lord GOD has given me the tongue of those who are taught, that I may know how to sustain with word him who is weary. Morning by morning he awakens; he awakens my ear to hear as those who are taught. The Lord GOD has opened my ear, and I was not rebellious; I turned not backwards. I gave my back to those who strike, and my cheeks to those who pull out the beard; I hid not my face from disgrace and spitting. But the Lord GOD helps me; therefore I have not been disgraced; therefore I have set my face like a flint, and I know that I shall not be put to shame.

Isaiah 50:4-7

Responsorial Psalm

My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Ps 22(21)

1. All who see me deride me;
they curl their lips, they toss their heads:
'He trusted in the LORD, let him save him;
let him release him, for in him he delights.'
2. For dogs have surrounded me;
a band of the wicked besets me.
They tear holes in my hands and my feet;
I can count every one of my bones.
3. They divide my clothing among them,
they cast lots for my robe.
But you, O LORD, do not stay afar off;
my strength, make haste to help me!
4. I will tell of your name to my kin,
and praise you in the midst of the assembly;
'You who fear the LORD, give him praise;
all descendants of Jacob, give him glory;
revere him, all you descendants of Israel.'

Second reading

Christ Jesus, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, by taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form, he humbled himself by becoming 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, so that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Acclamation

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.

Gospel

Luke 22:14-23:56

The Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Passion is found on **Page 88** of your Mass Book.

The **parts for the congregation** are in **BOLD PRINT**.

The Newsletter of the Parishes of St Alban's Pelaw & St Patrick's Felling



St Alban's at Pelaw



St Patrick's at Felling



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Palm Sunday Year C - 13th April 2025

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS					
Sat	12 th	Palm Sunday	St A	6.00pm	People of the Parishes
Sun	13 th		St P	10.00am	Ken & Brida Clay
Mon	14 th	Mon of Holy Week	St P	10.00am	Jim Farrell
			St P	1.00pm	Funeral Service: Elaine Lowery
Tue	15 th	Tue of Holy Week			No Service
Wed	16 th	Wed of Holy Week			Chrism Mass 11.00am at Cathedral
THE EASTER TRIDUUM					
Thu	17 th	Maundy Thursday	St P	7.00pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Fri	18 th	Good Friday	St P	3.00pm	Celebration of the Passion
Sat	19 th	Holy Saturday	St A	6.00pm	Easter Vigil
Sun	20 th	Easter Sunday	St P	10.00am	George Laurie
St A = St Alban's; St P = St Patrick's Weekday Masses at St Patrick's are Celebrated in the Parish Centre Weekday Masses at St Alban's are Celebrated in the Chapel in the Presbytery					

We pray for all those who are sick or unwell at this time. We pray for **Brian Cairns** and **Elaine Lowery** who died recently. A funeral service for Elaine will take place on Monday 14th April 1pm at St Patrick's, followed by burial at Heworth Burn Cemetery.

A Funeral service for Brian will take place on Wednesday 30 April at 12.30pm, followed by burial at Heworth Burn Cemetery. May they rest in peace.

The Order of Mass can be found on Page 200
in the middle of your Hymn Books indicated by the grey page markers.
During Lent the Gloria is not said and we use the Apostles Creed, on page 205.

Journeying with the Word of God
'Into your hands I commit my spirit'

This Sunday, we begin the holiest week of the Church's liturgical year. We read two passages from the **Gospels**, relating how the joyful entry of Jesus into Jerusalem, accompanied by crowds who acclaim him as Saviour and King, gave way to his betrayal and death, alone and abandoned by all. The other readings help us understand the meaning of these events of the Passion.

The **First Reading** is one of the passages about the suffering servant of God from the book of Isaiah. As Christians, we read this as showing how Jesus lived out his patient trust in God. It can help and enable us to bear our trials and difficulties. In **Psalms** 21 (22) we hear familiar echoes of the crucifixion narratives. You may like to find the whole of the psalm in your bible or online; its words of hope in the midst of great suffering, and profound trust in God, are the prayer of Jesus from the cross. St Paul's text is a hymn to Jesus's life and death (**Second Reading**). Christ's humility in becoming a human being was even more profound when he accepted to die a shameful death on a cross. But, as Paul writes, God raised him from death and gave him the highest name of all, so that all beings should bend the knee to Jesus and 'confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.'
This week we accompany Jesus; we pray for the grace of an awareness of our sinfulness, and for sorrow and true contrition in the face of the sufferings of Jesus. We also continue to pray for peace across the world, especially in Ukraine, Sudan and the Middle East.

RCIA: The next RCIA Meeting for the John Ingram Partnership will take place on **Tuesday 15th April, 6.30pm** in the parish centre at St Patrick's.

This year the Chrism Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Stephen in the Cathedral on **Wednesday 16th April at 11.00am**, so there will be no Mass at St Alban's that day.

Holy Thursday: There will be watching in prayer at the altar of repose in the church hall immediately after Mass until 9.00pm. If anyone would like to have their foot washed during this service, please let Fr Maritn know.

Good Friday: The Stations of the Cross will be celebrated at St Alban's on: **Good Friday at 10.00am**.

Easter Vigil: During the Easter Vigil we will Baptise Daniel Boyle and receive Bill Goodacre and Reece Lloyd in to full communion with the Catholic church.

The Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday are supplied by 'Palms for Africa' and help to fund the work of the Massai Community in Africa. Today there will also be a **collection to support the Christian Community in the Holy Land** (Which includes Gaza).

We will be cleaning St Alban's on Monday 14th April at 9.30 a.m. for Easter. All volunteers most welcome. We would also welcome **donations for flowers** to decorate the Church for Easter. A basket will be left at the back of Church for this..

St Alban's School News: Over this last half term we have followed Jesus' Lenten journey in school to prepare for the wonderful celebration of Easter. We wish you all a very happy and joyful Easter and we look forward to being in touch in the summer term. Please spread the word to all families with young children that we have a few places left in our school nursery for children who are 3 or 4 years old. Arrange a visit by contacting the school office on 0191 4693251 – after all, we are the best school in Pelaw!

The Parish Quiz Night will now be held after Easter. More details to follow.

Your offerings are our sole source of income: We ask you to please consider **making your offering by Standing Order**. This is by far the easiest way to donate, either on a weekly or monthly basis. (Details below). If you pay income tax **why not consider "Gift Aiding" your offering**. **At no cost to you, the parish receives 25p for every £1.00 you donate.** All you need is to complete a simple Gift Aid form which may be obtained from the parish office at stpatrik.felling@diocesehn.org.uk

For St. Alban's:

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Something Different? On the 11th, 12th and 13th of April the Last Supper by the Chosen is being shown in the **Cinema at Boldon**. It is worth going to see.

Alan Egdell will be off to Lourdes with HCPT on 20 April. If people wish to give petitions to take across to the Grotto, of any nature, he will be at Church on Good Friday and then the Easter Vigil service at St. Alban's to collect them.

Job Vacancies: The Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle is looking to appoint to the following vacancies: **Head of Human Resources**, based at the Diocesan Offices in Newcastle – full-time, permanent contract. Closing date: 27 April. **Chief Executive Officer** of the Youth Ministry Trust, based at the Emmaus Village, Consett – full-time, permanent contract. Closing date: 25 April. **Parish Secretary**, St Bede and Ss Peter and Paul, South Shields – 12 hours a week, permanent contract. Closing date: 21 April. Please visit www.diocesehn.org.uk/job-vacancies for full details or contact us on 0191 243 3301.

Please note the **CAFOD** Fast Day collection is now closed.