



Parish of Saint Columbanus, Loughlinstown



Pope Francis for Palm Sunday: 'Let us ask for the grace to live in order to serve.'

Dear brothers and sisters, what can we do in comparison with God, who served us even to the point of being betrayed and abandoned? We can refuse to betray him for whom we were created, and not abandon what really matters in our lives. We were put in this world to love him and our neighbours. Everything else passes away, only this remains. The tragedy we are experiencing summons us to take seriously the things that are serious, and not to be caught up on those that matter less; to rediscover that life is of no use if not used to serve others.

For life is measured by love. So, in these holy days, in our homes, let us stand before the Crucified One, the fullest measure of God's love for us, and before the God who serves us to the point of giving his life, and let us ask for the grace to live in order to serve. May we reach out to those who are suffering and those most in need. May we not be concerned about what we lack, but what good we can do for others.

Schedule For Holy Week

Penitential Services

Monday 3rd April

St. Anne's Church, Shankill at 7pm

Tuesday 4th April

Church of Our Lady of Good Counsel, Johnstown/Killiney at 7pm

Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th Mass as usual here at 9.30am

Holy Thursday 6th April - Mass 7.30pm

Good Friday 7th April

Outdoor Stations of the Cross 12noon - (Assemble at the Church)

Solemn Liturgy - 3pm - **Confessions after Liturgy**

Hour Before The Cross (**Seven Last Words**) 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Holy Saturday 8th April

Easter Vigil Mass at 9pm

Easter Sunday 9th April Mass 11am

The Way of the Cross - Led by Archbishop Farrell

The 18th annual Way of the Cross takes place in the Phoenix Park on **Good Friday at 12noon** Beginning at the Wellington Monument and finishing at the Papal Cross.

Palm Sunday

Blessed Palm will be available at Mass.

Please take one for anyone you may know who cannot make it to Mass.

Prayer For The Blessed Palm Cross

Thank You Lord, for sending Your Son and paving the way for our lives to be set free through Jesus' death on the Cross. Thank You for what this day stands for - the beginning of Holy Week, the start of the journey towards the power of the Cross, the victory of the Resurrection, and the rich truth that Jesus truly is our King of Kings. Amen.



Holy Week

