



# INSTITUTE OF CHRIST THE KING SOVEREIGN PRIEST

## WHAT IS PASSIONTIDE?



*Oratory of St. Philip Neri, Birmingham*

The 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Lent is called Passion Sunday, the two weeks between that Sunday and Easter is called Passiontide. The second week is Holy Week, while the first is called by the Latins "*Hebdomas Passionis*", by the Greeks "Week of the palms" (from the Sunday following). ... The rubrical prescriptions of the Roman Missal, Breviary, and "*Caeremoniale Episcoporum*" for this time are: before Vespers of Saturday preceding Passion Sunday the crosses, statues, and pictures of Our Lord and of the saints on the altar and throughout the church, are to be covered with a violet veil, not translucent, nor in any way ornamented. (Except the crosses and pictures of the Way of the Cross remain unveiled.) The crosses remain covered until after the solemn uncovering of the principal crucifix on Good Friday.

The statues and pictures retain their covering, no matter what feast may occur, until the *Gloria in Excelsis* of Holy Saturday. According to an answer of the Sacred Congregation of Rites of 14<sup>th</sup> of May, 1878, the practice may be tolerated of keeping the statue of St. Joseph, if outside the sanctuary, uncovered during the month of March, which is dedicated to his honor, even during Passiontide. In the Masses de tempore (Sundays and Feria in Lent) the Psalm *Judica* during the prayers at the foot of the altar is not said; the Gloria Patri is omitted at the *Asperges*, the Introit, and the Lavabo; only two orations are recited and the Preface is of the Holy Cross. In the Dominical and ferial offices of the Breviary the doxology is omitted in the Invitatorium and in the responses, whether long or short.

*'They took up stones therefore to cast at Him: but Jesus hid Himself, and went out of the temple.' John 8:59. Antiphony, in Latin, illuminated by Master B. F., Italy, Milan, ca. 1500''*

The crosses are veiled because Christ during this time no longer walked openly among the people, but hid himself. Hence in the papal chapel the veiling formerly took place at the words of the Gospel: "*Jesus autem abscondebatur se.*" (But Jesus did hide himself.) Another reason is added by Durandus, namely that Christ's divinity was hidden when he arrived at the time of His suffering and death. The images of the saints also are covered because it would seem improper for the servants to appear when the Master himself is hidden (Nilles, "Kal.", II, 188).

In some places the crosses were covered on Ash Wednesday; in others on the first Sunday of Lent. In England it was customary on the first Monday of Lent to cover up all the

crucifixes, images of every kind, the reliquaries, and even the cup with the Blessed Sacrament. The cloths used were of white linen or silk and marked with a red cross (Rock, *infra*, IV, 258). The two beautiful hymns of the season, "*Vexilla Regis*" and "*Pange lingua gloriosi*", are the work of Venantius Fortunatus, Bishop of Poitiers. On the Friday of Passion Week the Church very appropriately honours the Seven Dolours of Our Lady. On Saturday the Greeks commemorate the resuscitation of Lazarus.

*Based on an article in "Catholic Encyclopedia/New Advent"*



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## DAY OF RETREAT POSTPONED

Due to the coronavirus restrictions we will not be able to preach the Day of Retreat as planned on Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, we will have to postpone this important spiritual exercise to a later date which will be announced as soon as it will be possible to make new arrangements.

## PASCHAL TRIDUUM

The Triduum Paschale in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite will be celebrated at St. Winefride's church according to the following schedule:

**Holy Thursday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, at 5:00 pm**

**Good Friday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>, at 3:00 pm**

**Holy Saturday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 pm**

## Gift Aid Envelopes Arrived

The envelopes used for the weekly collection have arrived. In the back of the church, please pick up your box with the (green) envelopes which will be used this year and which carry your individual (Gift Aid) number. We apologize for the delay in bringing them to you. – If you are interested in joining the Institute's local Gift Aid Program, please contact Canon Wiener.

## SHREWSBURY WEEKLY SCHEDULE

DAY	DATE	TIME	MASS OF THE DAY	INTENTIONS	
				CANON WIENER	FATHER GRIBBIN
SUN	14 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	12:30 PM	FOURTH SUNDAY IN LENT "LAETARE"	GERTRUDE MOSELEY RIP	PI
MON	15 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	10:00 AM	FERIA IN LENT	E. CH. J. FROST	PI
TUE	16 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	6:30 PM	FERIA IN LENT	H.J. RIP (PRIVATE)	PI
WED	17 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	10:00 AM	FERIA IN LENT	ELODIE RAYMENT	PI
THU	18 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	6:30 PM	FERIA IN LENT	ROSE STEVENS	PI
FRI	19 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	10:00 AM	ST. JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN & PATRON OF THE UNIVERSAL CHURCH	JEFF MOE	PI
SAT	20 <sup>TH</sup> MAR	10:00 AM	VOTIVE MASS FOR THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE CORONATION OF THE SOVEREIGN PONTIFF, POPE FRANCIS	MR. F. K. MOE	PI
SUN	21 <sup>ST</sup> MAR	12:30 PM	PASSION SUNDAY	MALCOLM RAYMENT	PI

SUNDAY MASSES AT 12:30 PM AT ST. WINEFRIDE'S CHURCH, CROWMERE ROAD, MONKMOOR, SHREWSBURY, SY2 5RA

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