



PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY - THANET

**No Mass on Wednesday, 1st April**

Please note there will be no Mass here on Wednesday as all priests will be at the cathedral for the Chrism Mass.

**Palm Sunday Procession - 29th March (10am)**

Please note that we will begin the 10.30am Mass this Sunday 29th March at Birchington Town Square (in front of the Powell Arms) at 10am where our palms will be blessed. We will then process through the village and into the church. The other Mass times are as normal.

**Adults to be Initiated into the Catholic Church Easter Vigil 8pm**

Please support our new parishioners who will receive the Sacraments of Christian Initiation at the Easter Vigil, on the 5th April at 8pm. Please continue to pray for them, their families and sponsors:

**Colin Brown, Tatyana Dabanovic, Michele Whittlesea, Riley Andrews, Darren Prince and Jade Andrews.**

**Father Jackson's Visit**

At the 6pm Mass on Tuesday, 24th March, we were delighted to welcome our incoming priest Fr Jackson. He asks us to pray for him as he prepares to arrive in the parish on Monday, 6th April.

**Archdiocesan Award for Mr. Charlie Mara**

As mentioned last week our Archbishop, Most Rev. John Wilson, has granted the Archdiocesan award *Fideliter Servienti* to our parishioner Mr Charles Mara in recognition of his committed service to the Church. He has delegated Father Joe to make the presentation of this award which will happen at the 10:30am Mass on Easter Sunday, 5th April. Please join us as we honour Charlie.

**Farewell for Fr Joe**

Father Joe's last Mass with us will be the 10:30am Mass on Easter Sunday, 5th April. Please join us in the hall immediately after the Mass for a farewell refreshment which will also be a celebration of Charles Mara's award.

**Easter Collection**

As per the arrangement of the Archdiocese, your offering on Easter Sunday is your personal gift to your priest.

The offering on Good Friday is for the upkeep of the Holy Places: the places connected with the Lord's Passion which have been centres of veneration and pilgrimage. It also supports Christian schooling in the area.

**Walk of Witness - Good Friday**

You are invited to join with the Walk of Witness on Friday, 3rd April leaving our church after the 10am Stations of the Cross at approximately 10.30am to process down to the Town Centre for a joint service with Birchington Churches Together

**Parish Bereavement - Sr Veronica Howell, DJ, RIP**

We are sad to announce the death last Tuesday of Sr Veronica. She was about a month away from her 102nd birthday. Her funeral arrangements will be communicated when they are confirmed. For your charity, please pray for the repose of her soul.

**Please turn over for more notifications**

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Easter Edition - March 2026

**Saturday 28th March**

PALM SUNDAY OF THE  
PASSION OF THE LORD (A)

**Vigil 6pm**

*Colin Vincen, RIP*

**Sunday 29th March**

PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF  
THE LORD (A)

**Mass 8.30am**

**Mass 10.30am**

*Michele Arterton - Birthday Intentions*

**Tuesday 31st March**

Tuesday of Holy Week

**Mass 6pm**

*People of the Parish*

**Thursday 2nd April**

MAUNDY THURSDAY

**Mass of the Last Supper 7.30pm**

*David Shufflebotham, RIP*

**Friday 3rd April**

FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE  
LORD

**Liturgy of the Passion of The Lord  
3pm**

**Saturday 4th April**

THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY  
NIGHT (A)

**Vigil 8pm**

*Mercy Matthews, RIP*

**Sunday 5th April**

EASTER SUNDAY OF THE  
RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

**Mass 8.30am**

*Colin Vincent, RIP*

**Mass 10.30am**

*Michele Arterton - Birthday Intentions*

**Funeral Arrangements - Colin Vincent, RIP**

As mentioned last week, our parishioner Colin has sadly died. His funeral arrangements are now confirmed for Friday, 17th April at 1pm here in our church. All are welcome to attend. For your charity, please pray for the repose of his soul.



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(opposite Birchington Medical Centre)

**THE EASTER TRIDUUM 2026**

**Maundy Thursday - Thursday, 2<sup>nd</sup> April**  
**5.30pm - 6.30pm Confessions**  
**7.30pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER**

**Good Friday - Friday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April**  
**10am Stations of the Cross**  
**3pm LITURGY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD**

**Saturday, 4<sup>th</sup> April**  
**8pm THE EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT**

**Easter Sunday - Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> April**  
**8.30am & 10.30am MASS OF THE**  
**RESURRECTION OF THE LORD**

**Collections Last Weekend**

Collection Plate: £370.42 of which £159.00 was Gift Aided  
Digital Collection Plate: £70.00 of which £30.00 was Gift Aided  
Standing Orders: £200.00 of which £200.00 was Gift Aided  
Second Collection Poor Parishes : £164.56 was £40.00 was Gift Aided