

Diary of Services and Events February—April 2018

FEBRUARY 2018

Thursday 1	S. Ignatius	12.45 pm	Mass
Friday 2	Candlemas	7.30 pm	Blessing of candles, Procession and High Mass
The Feast of the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Presentation of Christ in the Temple, 40 days after his birth in accord with the Law of Moses			
Sunday 4	Sexagesima	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	<i>Asperges</i> and Sung Mass
Thursday 8	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 11	Quinquagesima	10.30 pm	Mass
Quinquagesima'—Latin, <i>fiftieth</i> . Today is the fiftieth day before Easter. Similarly 5 and 12 February are, roughly speaking, the seventieth and sixtieth days before Easter.			
Wednesday 15	Ash Wednesday	7.30 pm	Sung Mass & <i>Imposition of Ashes</i>
Thursday 16	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 18	Lent 1	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	Litany in Procession & Sung Mass
Thursday 22	Chair of S Peter at Antioch	12.45 pm	Mass <i>(followed by PCC meeting)</i>
S. Peter was arrested by Herod Agrippa I (who reigned from about 41-44 A.D. The Church prayed earnestly for his release, and so it was that the angel rescued him. Soon after his escape, he wisely left Jerusalem for Antioch. Here he founded the Church, preaching to the people, prior to going on to Rome, where he was based for 25 years before his death at the hands of The Emperor Nero, in the 14th year of Nero's reign.			
Sunday 25	Lent 2	10.30 pm	Mass
		5.30 pm	Sung Mass

MARCH 2018

Thursday 1	S. David	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 4	Lent 3	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	<i>Asperges</i> and Sung Mass
Thursday 8	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 11	Lent 4	10.30 pm	Mass
<i>Laetare</i>	(Mothering Sunday)		
		5.30 pm	Sung Mass
Thursday 15	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 18	Lent 5	10.30 am	Mass
	(Passion Sunday)		
		5.30 pm	Sung Mass
Thursday 22	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
HOLY WEEK			
The holiest week of the year and the climax of Our Lord's redemptive work			
Sunday 25	Palm Sunday	10.30 am	Blessing of Palms & Mass
		5.30 pm	Blessing of Palms, Procession & High Mass
<i>Sung Passion: The Clerkes of All Saints</i>			
THE PASCHAL TRIDUUM			
The Paschal Triduum or 'Great Three Days' is a celebration of even greater antiquity than Lent. The Three Days each begin at sundown, starting with Thursday night/Friday and ending with Saturday night/Sunday. They constitute the solemn celebration of the Lord's Passover from death to new life, in which we participate sacramentally to enter the new life in Christ			
Thursday 29	Maundy Thursday	7.30 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
Friday 30	Good Friday	12 noon	Stations of the Cross
<i>Music: The Clerkes of All Saints</i>		7.30 pm	The Solemn Liturgy
Saturday 31	Holy Saturday Easter Night	7.30 pm	The Easter Vigil and Solemn Mass of The Resurrection

APRIL 2018

Sunday 1	Easter Day	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	Vidi Aquam, High Mass, Procession and Benediction
Thursday 5	In Easter Week	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 8	Low Sunday	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	Vidi Aquam and Sung Mass
Monday 9	Annunciation	7.30	Procession and Sung Mass
"Lady Day", for centuries observed as New Year's Day, being the dawn of the age of salvation. Our Lady's 'yes' to God's call to be the mother of the incarnate Word enabled the Incarnation to take place. (This year Lady Day is displaced by Holy Week.)			
Thursday 12	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 15	Second Sunday After Easter Day	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	Vidi Aquam, and Sung Mass.
Thursday 19	S. Alphege	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 22	Third Sunday After Easter Day	10.30 am	Mass
	S. George— Patron of England	5.30 pm	Vidi Aquam and Sung Mass
The English Missal allows for the celebration of another festival after that of a First Order Sunday. Thus it is, that on the Eve of The Festival of the Patron Saint of England, St George, we celebrate him. St George has been commemorated in this building since at least 1330, when his image was included in the tracery lights of the new East Window—now in the Lady Chapel. St George is still a popular hero amongst the Palestinians (both Christian and Muslim alike) — the symbol of Good fighting Evil.			
Thursday 26	feria	12.45 pm	Mass
Sunday 29	Fourth Sunday After Easter Day	10.30 am	Mass
		5.30 pm	Vidi Aquam and Sung Mass