

# Holy Week and Easter at St. Joseph's

**2<sup>nd</sup> April Palm Sunday:** Please prepare palm branches for the blessing before Masses.

**3<sup>rd</sup> April Monday:** preparations of the church for Holy Week and Easter. Holy Hour (silence), Reconciliation time, Vespers (Evening Prayer) Benediction from **6:30pm – 7:30 pm**.

**4<sup>th</sup> April Tuesday:** church cleaning, homebound visitation, and in the evening Mass at **5:30pm** followed by the Novena. Reconciliation time (**6:30pm-7:30pm**) with some visiting priests. Vespers (Evening Prayer) Benediction

**5<sup>th</sup> April Wednesday:** tidying up surrounding Church grounds. Holy Hour (silence), Reconciliation time, Vespers (Evening Prayer) Benediction from **6:30pm – 7:30 pm**.

**6<sup>th</sup> April Holy Thursday:** No morning Mass. Chrism Mass in the Cathedral at **10.30am**. At St Joseph's; "Last Supper" Celebration at **6:00pm**. Adoration and prayers until **8:30pm**.

**7<sup>th</sup> April Good Friday:** **6:00am** Early Morning prayer "Tenebrae" (*is a church service observed during the final part of Holy Week commemorating the sufferings and death of Christ*).

**10:00am** Stations of the Cross.

**3:00pm** Liturgy of The Good Friday

**8<sup>th</sup> April Easter Saturday:** **10am** Blessing of Easter Food. **6:00pm** Easter Vigil (four liturgies)

**9<sup>th</sup> April Easter Sunday Masses:** **8:00am** and **9:30am**. Holy Anointing for the Sick after each Mass.

**16<sup>th</sup> April Divine Mercy Sunday:** **8 & 9:30am**, **3:00pm** Mass, Divine Chaplet and Benediction.