

**LITURGIES FOR
THE EASTER TRIDUUM**

HOLY TUESDAY 31st March

8pm Tenebrae at Molesey

HOLY THURSDAY 2nd April

8pm MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER

*& watch at the altar of repose until
Midnight in both churches*

GOOD FRIDAY 3rd April

**9am Office of Readings & Morning
Prayer in Molesey**

10am Stations of the Cross at Hersham

**10am Molesey Children's Stations of
the Cross** *followed by coffee and hot cross buns in
the Hall.*

**3pm THE LITURGY OF THE LORD'S
PASSION & DEATH** *in both churches*

6pm Stations of the Cross at Molesey

HOLY SATURDAY 4th April

**9am Office of Readings & Morning
Prayer in Molesey**

**8pm THE EASTER VIGIL & FIRST
MASS OF THE RESURRECTION** *in
both churches*

EASTER SUNDAY 5th April

8am Latin Mass at Molesey

9.15am Mass at Hersham

11am Mass at Molesey

6pm Mass at Molesey

**THE CATHOLIC
CHURCHES
OF
HERSHAM &
MOLESEY**

**LENT
HOLY
WEEK
&
EASTER
2026**



If you would like to know more about the Catholic
faith or simply meet with Fr Richard you are
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My dear Parishioners, dear friends,

A spiritual book for Lent with good reviews from good people is a way of marking the discipline of the Fast. We read a chapter a day and re-read and incorporate it's wisdom into our routine of prayer, fasting and giving. The book provides a bit of substance and gives us much to ponder as we seek to be challenged and encouraged to come closer to God.

Of course this substance doesn't necessarily have to come in the form of a book. We can take up a podcast or an on line Catholic course, we can follow the Pope's preaching and teaching or find some other resource which will feed us. This is always in addition to the reading of Holy Scripture and especially Sunday's gospel.

We might also consider keeping a journal for Lent, privately recording our experience of the day and particularly reflecting on the presence of God in our Lenten journey.

The important thing, it seems to me, is that we become more reflective, more prayerful, more conscious of who we are before God and our neighbour and seek to make that discipline radical – that is to say attentive to the root of things. We do not want to be superficial creatures tossed about by passing fads and quick fixes. We are worth more than that.

We are fortunate enough to have a large number of people receiving the sacraments of initiation at the Easter Vigil at Molesey and on Low Sunday at Hersham. Please keep this group in your prayers.

We are also fortunate to have the celebration of the Easter Triduum in both our churches. Fr Bill Muir will celebrate the Triduum at Hersham and I will celebrate at Molesey.

Meanwhile the specifics of Lent are prayer, fasting and almsgiving.

-We pray that our hearts may be open to the presence of Almighty God, bringing Him our deepest love in adoration, asking Him to hear our cry for forgiveness, offering Him all our thanks and all our needs.

-We fast and abstain, not to make ourselves thin or to prove that we can say no, but rather to find again a God given mastery of our own passions, living as those who know that ultimately we depend on God alone.

-We give and look beyond our own little worlds to the needs, not just to those less fortunate than ourselves, but also and especially to the poorest and most needy.

We do these things together, but also in solitary time, with Jesus who Himself fasted forty days and nights, alone and in the wilderness.

With my prayers and affectionate good wishes
Fr Richard

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confession

Every Saturday from 11am at Molesey

Every Saturday from 5pm at Hersham

AND ALL DAY

HOLY SATURDAY 4th April

With Holy Saturday Blessing of Food

at 10am & 12noon

HOLY ROSARY

Saturdays at Molesey at 9.30am
Wednesdays at Hersham at 10am

STATIONS of the CROSS

Fridays at Hersham at 12.30pm
with Mass at 12noon & Soup Lunch
following Stations

Sundays at Molesey at 4pm
with Benediction

ADORATION

Mondays at Molesey at 6pm

LENT BIBLE STUDY

Monday Evenings at 6.30pm

Bible Study – Monday evenings 6:30pm at St Barnabas Parish Hall

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