



HOLY WEEK

MONDAY MASS @ 7

TUESDAY MASS @ 7

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

@ 6.30 PM

WEDNESDAY MASS @ 10

MAUNDY THURSDAY

@ 8PM

MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER, FOOTWASHING & PRAYER VIGIL UNTIL MIDNIGHT

(COMPLINE @ 11.40 PM)

GOOD FRIDAY

THE LITURGY OF THE LORD'S PASSION @ 10 AM

HOLY SATURDAY

9 AM MORNING PRAYER FOLLOWED BY CHURCH CLEANING

EASTER EVE

8.30 PM LIGHTING OF THE NEW FIRE, BAPTISM & CONFIRMATION & FIRST MASS OF EASTER

EASTER DAY

8 AM MASS

10 AM MASS WITH BAPTISM AND CONFIRMATION

EASTER EGG HUNT & SHARED LUNCH IN THE LAMB

Dear All,

This is surely one of the great photos from our life together last year, as on Palm Sunday Christians came out of their own churches and gathered together to begin the intentional walk with Jesus into Jerusalem, marking the beginning of the Great Week. You might be able to make out hands raised in the air, each



holding a palm cross for blessing (or several to take home for others!). **The Cross is held up as the sign of hope and salvation in Brunswick!** You can't see Francesca the donkey who led our procession as she has done for a number of years now, but she is there in the midst of us all, just as her forebear was in the midst of those who first cried "**Hosanna to the Son of David. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**"

There will surely be no better place to be in Brunswick at 9.45 on Sunday morning as we gather in front of the church, then make our way to meet folk from the Uniting and Baptist communities when the Palm Sunday Gospel is proclaimed. There the crowd swells, and we make our way to the land at 260.

A four footed symbol of the way of the Lord...

After the blessing of the palms and prayers and song, with some regret we go our separate ways. We enter Christ Church for the remainder of the Eucharist. Even as the shadow of the Cross comes into view and Good Friday draws nearer, on this day we are praising, for the Prince of Peace is making his way to Golgotha on the beast who in the Bible is a symbol of service, suffering, peace and humility....

Meanwhile....

WE must be doing something right....

They say where God is working the devil is close behind distracting and discouraging. This very day the morning has been beset by rubbish from ours and the dentist's bins, including of course medical waste, strewn all over the place in front of the church because of careless rubbish collectors, and then by the discovery of a break in at The Lamb, the second in a matter of weeks. So much time and energy wasted dealing with such things. It's easy to get a little downhearted, but we keep on! Keeping cheerful, and blessing the Lord.

And how we will bless the Lord when two people (Tess and Emily) are baptised and confirmed at our Easter services next weekend, and Wen-Juenn is confirmed! And there might be more..There's always room for more!

There is a tradition that those receiving these blessings take on one or some saint's names. Between

them, the three candidates have come up with an impressive list: **Augustine, Teresa, Mary, Cecilia, Monica, and Stephen.** As they add them to their names and identity may those beloved heroes of the Faith encourage and pray for them!

What a family the Church throughout the ages is!

And now for something very different. Today the Council offered people the opportunity of a three dimensional 'goggle' look at how the park on 260 will appear. A good number of folk turned up including a group from the Community School. We warmed them up with hot chocolate! Go to the Council website and look up 'A park close to Home' to see the plans.



And finally... as we arrive at **Holy Week**, let me repeat the words, the invitation, on the leaflet sent out last week: '**SEE IT THROUGH..**' **Let's see the week through together.** Much love, +Lindsay