



NOTICES APRIL 5th - PALM SUNDAY



Holy Week Services

All will be live-streamed from Fr Ian's home in Devon: —

- Wednesday Lent course at 4pm
- Maundy Thursday liturgy at 7pm
- Good Friday liturgy at 12 noon
- Easter Day Eucharist at 9:30am

Annual Church Meeting

In view of the Coronavirus outbreak it is necessary to postpone the Annual Church Meeting, which was to be held on 26th April. The holding of such meetings and the appointments arising from them are subject to Canon Law and cannot simply be waved aside, no matter what the circumstances. Accordingly, Bishop Robert has issued a "Bishop's Instrument", a legally-binding document setting out arrangements for this year. It is a detailed document, but its principal points are that the Annual Church Meeting is to be held by 31st October and until that

meeting the current Church Officers (including Archdeaconry Synod representatives) and Council are to continue in post. Accordingly, in due course, I will be announcing a date during the month of October.

David Cranmer, acting Chair of the Chaplaincy Council
Lisbon, 2nd April 2020.

Palm crosses

For younger people (and not only) here is a link to a video with instructions on how to make palm crosses. A fun idea!

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Readings for next Sunday, 12th April, Easter Day

Colossians 3:1-4 John 20:1-18

A prayer

**"O our God...we do not know what to do, but our eyes are on you."
2 Chronicles 20:10**

Lord, in all times of fear
and dread,
grant that we may so
cast our burdens upon you,
that you may bear us on
the holy wings of the Spirit
to the stronghold of
your peace.

We pray for all who are affected by the coronavirus,
For those who are guiding our nation at this time,
For doctors, nurses and medical researchers,
For the vulnerable and the fearful,
for the gravely ill and the dying.

Lord, in your mercy
hear our prayer.
Amen

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Lift up your hearts

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Appeal to all Portuguese tax payers

The Portuguese law of religious liberty allows you to direct 0.5% of your income tax to benefit the Church. You pay the same, but the state receives only 99.5%.

The procedure is to:

- Complete the header page of the income tax return “Modelo 3, section 11 – Consignação de 0.5% do IRS”.
- Place an X in the box “Instituições Religiosas, art 32º n.º 4”
- Complete with the Church identity number 592005542 and place a further X in the box IRS.
- If you also wish to consign to the Church the small IVA benefit granted to you, then also put an X in the box IVA. This costs nothing to the higher rate taxpayer whose own credits are capped.

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Pessoas coletivas de utilidade pública de fins ambientais (art.º 14.º, n.ºs 5 e 7, da Lei n.º 35/98, de 18 de julho)	<input type="checkbox"/>	1102	
Instituições culturais com estatuto de utilidade pública (art.º 152.º do CIRS)	<input type="checkbox"/>	1103	

Your help is greatly appreciated.