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THE SUNDAY 10.30AM MASS AND ALL WEEKDAY MASSES ARE USUALLY LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday 16th April 2nd Sunday of Eastertide (Divine Mercy Sunday)	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Pat & Jim Webb, RIP Anniversary (R W) Suffering People of Turkey & Syria (G & B C) Parish Community
Monday 17 th	10.00am	Mass in Townhill
Tuesday 18 th <i>Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am	Christopher Clee, RIP (G & B C)
Wednesday 19 th <i>Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am 10.00 am	Stephen Power, RIP Anniversary (R P) Coffee Morning
Thursday 20 th <i>St Beuno, Abbot</i>	7.00pm	Eugenio Dimarco, RIP Anniv (S & T M)
Friday 21 st <i>St Anselm, Bishop & Doctor of the Church</i>	9.30am	James Kent, RIP (T P)
Saturday 22 nd <i>Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide</i>	10.00am	Doris Renninghoff, RIP (S V P)
Sunday 23rd April 3rd Sunday of Eastertide	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Maria Davies, RIP (M P H) Bob Hughes, RIP (T & A L) O/L Lamp: The Harte Family

CONFESSIONS: Saturday morning after 10am Mass, Saturday evening 6pm-6.15pm, and on request.

ADORATION AND BENEDICTION: Saturday morning after 10am Mass (Confessions also available)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Kaitlin Law

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: First Holy Communion classes every Monday 5.30pm-6.30pm. Starting Monday 17th April. If you need more information, please get in touch with Father Michael or Fr Matthew. Thank you.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sunday Children's liturgy will soon restart.

SVP: The next meeting will be on Wednesday 19th April in the Parish Hall at 7pm. All welcome.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting will be on Wednesday April 19th at 2pm in the Parish Hall; the theme will be 'Our Journey to Swansea'.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week on Zoom. Please join our next meeting on Tuesday 2 May at 7pm. **Zoom meeting ID: 585 166 8513.** All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: Monday, 17th April at 7pm. Text: Matthew 25. **Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.**

HOOR OF GRACE: 6pm - 7pm every other Wednesday. Led by Fr Matthew Achunine OP, this is a solemn moment of prayerful encounter with Jesus in the Exposition and Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. It will include an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Adoration, Talk, Worship Songs, Intercessions for Various Intentions, and Benediction. **Next on Wednesday 26th April.**

PRAYER INTENTION ENVELOPE (HOOR OF GRACE): If you would like us to pray for an intention during the Hour of Grace (Eucharistic Adoration), please collect a brown prayer intention envelope in the porch. It is NOT a Mass intention envelope. Thank you.

CATHOLIC FAITH ROUNDTABLE: The next meeting is on Thursday, 20th April, from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall. **Theme: What the Bible says about the Blessed Virgin Mary.**

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Isabelle Gilfedder, Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Michael Guerin, Theresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances Taylor, Mary Brearley, Audrey Robinson, Angela Matthews, Millie Richards, Janet Blackburn, Yvonne Richards, Peter McPherson, Heather Ellis, Bill Gill, Jim Sander, Jimmy Taylor, Tristan Carroll, Janice Jones, Maurice Rees, Joy Stafford, Wendy Graham.

WE REMEMBER THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR ABOUT THIS TIME: Shirley Brown, Michael Walsh, Thomas Riordan, Fr Paul Sartori, Agnes Manley, Anne & Peter Drew, Rhian Clay, Mary Harris, Dina Di Francesco, Gavin de Combes, Mary E Probert, Freda Williams, Leonardo Grattarola, Peter Francis, Fiona Gallagher Rickson, Bill Davies, Esperia Evans, Eugenio de Marco, Janet James, Thomas Little, Doris Ratcliffe, Denis Crowson, Hazel Rees, Gerald Joseph Bishop, Tom Bridie, Eamon O'Sullivan, Peter Lane, Bernadette Hutchings.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

THE CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Eastertide, we are invited to pray for: Survivors of Abuse; New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

EASTER OFFERING: Thanks for your very generous donations.

EVANGELISATION (DOMSEC) DONATIONS:
Thanks to all who donate to support the work of evangelisation.

From the Parish Events Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(April – May 2023)

Tuesday 25 April 6.30pm	Mass of Thanksgiving for Fr Michael's 20th Ordination Anniversary	Refreshment after Mass
Friday 19 May 7.00pm	PARISH MUSIC QUIZ	Details later.

On Divine Mercy
St John Paul II

Believing in the crucified Son means "seeing the Father," means believing that love is present in the world and that this love is more powerful than any kind of evil in which individuals, humanity, or the world are involved. Believing in this love means believing in mercy. For mercy is an indispensable dimension of love; it is as it were love's second name and, at the same time, the specific manner in which love is revealed and effected vis-a-vis the reality of the evil that is in the world, affecting and besieging man, insinuating itself even into his heart and capable of causing him to "perish in Gehenna.

Here is the Son of God, who in His resurrection experienced in a radical way mercy shown to Himself, that is to say the love of the Father which is more powerful than death. And it is also the same Christ, the Son of God, who at the end of His messianic mission - and, in a certain sense, even beyond the end - reveals Himself as the inexhaustible source of mercy, of the same love that, in a subsequent perspective of the history of salvation in the Church, is to be everlastingly confirmed as more powerful than sin. The paschal Christ is the definitive incarnation of mercy, its living sign in salvation history and in eschatology. In the same spirit, the liturgy of Eastertide places on our lips the words of the Psalm: *Misericordias Domini in aeternum cantabo.*

John Paul II, Encyclical *Dives in Misericordia*, 30 November 1980, nn.7, 8.

DIVINE MERCY PRAYER

Eternal God, in whom Mercy is endless, and the treasury of compassion inexhaustible. Look kindly upon us and increase your Mercy in us, so that in difficult moments, we may not despair nor become despondent but with great confidence, submit ourselves to Your Holy Will, which is Love and Mercy itself. Amen.