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

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intention
Sunday, 7th April 2024 2nd Sunday of Eastertide (Divine Mercy Sunday)	8.30am 10.30am	Pat Falvey, RIP (T & D J) Parish Community / Pat Falvey, RIP (M M) Tony Lane, RIP (M & A O'C)
Monday 8 th The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)	9.30am	Margaret Pettifer, RIP (A L)
Tuesday 9 th <i>Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am	Norman Thomas, RIP (A L)
Wednesday 10 th <i>Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am 10.00am	Pat Falvey, RIP (A L) Coffee Morning
Thursday 11 th <i>St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr</i>	7.00pm	Enrico Minchella, RIP (T O'D)
Friday 12 th <i>Weekday, 2nd Week of Eastertide</i>	9.30am	Tony Lane, RIP (M M)
Saturday 13 th <i>St Martin, Pope & Martyr</i>	10.00am	Gerald Nolan, RIP (SVP)
Sunday 14th April 3rd Sunday of Eastertide	6.30pm (Vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Claire Clancy, RIP Anniversary (A L) Francis Gilfedder, RIP Anniversary (C B)

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: Geraldine Fane.

PARISH FILM NIGHT (with Fish and Chips): Friday, 19th April at 7pm. Please sign up in the porch. Thank you.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT: We are there for anyone who needs support following a bereavement – whether it's recently or some time ago. It may be the need for someone to talk to, someone to listen, someone to pray with – or maybe just company for a coffee and chat. Please call 07813157296. We are waiting for your call.

PARISH LADIES' GUILD: Next meeting on Wednesday 17th April at 2pm.

PARISH PRAYER GROUP: Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting at **7pm on Tuesday 9th April**. All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: **Monday, 8th April at 7pm.** Text: John chapter 4. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.

HOOR OF GRACE: 6pm - 7pm every other Wednesday. Led by a Dominican priest, 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 17th 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 ROUND TABLE: Explore Catholic teachings from a biblical background. The next meeting is on **Thursday 11th April** at 7.30 to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall. **Theme: Treasures of the Catholic Faith.**

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Teresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances T aylor, Mary Brearley, Angela Matthews, Janet Blackburn, Yvonne Richards, Bill Gill, Jimmy Taylor, Janice Jones, Wendy Graham, Maureen Williams, John Mannion, Jill Griffiths, Rachael Naylor, Michael Kinrade, Karolina Ashton, Andy Payne, Allan Jones, Noreen Hyden, Rita Power, Mary Richards, Pauline Howard.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the souls of **Peter Macpherson and Millie Richards.**

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

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

**From the Parish Events Planning Team
UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS
(April 2024)**

Friday 19 April 7.00pm	PARISH FILM NIGHT (with Fish and Chips)	£8 per person (for fish and chips, and Joe's ice cream)
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**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.