



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Let us be content and happy always in the hands of the Lord who is close to us and lives in us. Let us accustom ourselves to His presence and be aware of Him. He will give increase to our charity, because He is essentially all love.

(Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading Second Sunday of Easter (23rd April 2017)

Gospel – John 20:19-31

When it was evening on that day, the first day of the week, and the doors of the house where the disciples had met were locked for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." When he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained."

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples, which are not written in this book. But these are written so that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Messiah, the Son of God, and that through believing you may have life in his name.

Prayer for the Parish -

Almighty God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of your people. Grant to our parish all things needful for its spiritual welfare and, through the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, may we be of one heart and mind in the fold of Your Holy Church. To the honour and glory of Your Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Vocation -

O God, you are the Lord of the harvest. We pray to you that men and women may hear the call of Christ your Son, to work in your vineyard. May they answer the call generously. May we, with them, serve you faithfully all our days so that your faithful people may grow in numbers and favour in your sight. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Week starting 15th April 2017

Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collection – Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1378.25

Offerings for the Easter Vigil and Sunday – will be for the Rosminian Clergy. If you are a tax payer, please take the White envelopes for the 'Institute of Charity' at the porch. Thank you

Monday Exposition – There will be no Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament this Monday it will resume on Monday 8th May. There will be **NO** Monday Evening Mass during this period of closure.

Children's Liturgy – There will be no Children's Liturgy this Sunday, recommences on Sunday 30th April.

Spire Easter Cake Stall - This Sunday 16th April after 10a.m. Mass. Please leave you donations of cakes in main porch. Thank you

Spire Restoration Fund – Monies raised to date **£33,700**

Church Spire – Ecclesiastical Steeplejacks are due to commence work on our Spire on Monday 4th September. It is being delayed because we are waiting for grant applications approval. Please pray that we get positive answers. There have been a few rejections from some big funders which is worrying at this time.

Life Ascending Meeting - this Thursday (20th) in the Coach House, after 10 a.m. Mass. Anyone interested in joining us is very welcome to come along. Please contact Angela Harries on 01788 817236 for further details.

Novena to the Divine Mercy - On Sunday 23rd April at 2:45p.m Divine Mercy Chaplet will be said in the Church. Please do come along to celebrate the Divine Mercy.

UCM - meeting at 7 p.m. on Monday 24th April in the Coach House

Life Ascending - will be having a Day of Recollection at Mater Ecclesiae Convent, Street Ashton, near Rugby on Thursday 11th May. There will be a talk by one of the Sisters and time for reflection It will start at 10.30 a.m. and end at 3 p.m. Any one who would like to join us will be most welcome. Tea and coffee will be provided but please bring a packed lunch. Transport can be arranged. For further details please contact Angela Harries on 817236.

Hibbert's Hall – Eva-Marie Marson & Kelly Merrigan are launching a new initiative **in catering**. They will be looking after all your catering needs, should you book Hibbert's Hall for Christening, Birthday Party's or any other get together party's... To launch this new initiative, Eva-Marie & Kelly will be hosting Lunch/Brunch from 11a.m. to 1 p.m. on Friday 28th April. All welcome. Please note that this will not be a Church Spire Fundraising. For more information please contact Eva- Marie on 07879881467 or Kelly on 07864929412.

1st of July Summer Festival – we are looking for raffle prizes/bottles/unwanted gifts from parishioners for this event. Please leave your items in the sacristy, where they will be stored in the convent.

International Food Stalls 1st July Festival - if you are interested in setting up your own International Parish Food Stall please contact May Bannigan on 813879 or Louise Mallot on 07876656398, we already have Phillipino and Indian Stalls.

Welcome!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office open from 09.00 – 12.30 on Tuesday Wednesday Thursday and Friday

IN THE PARISH continued...

Spire Restoration Grand National – Please check your tickets, **Winner:-** One for Arthur **Second:-** Cause of Causes **Third:-** Saint Are. Your prizes are waiting to be claimed in the office.

Seder Meal – Thank you to all who came, with special thanks to our cook, helpers and singers.

Winter Shelter - The winter shelter project has now closed for another year. Many thanks to all who have volunteered and turned out so cheerfully to help the homeless of Rugby. We could not run the shelter without your support. We are having a get-together on Friday 5th May at the Rugby Hotel for those who have helped and those who would like to join up for next year. Details to follow. Any queries to Deacon Gerard on 541705, or Kathy Smith on 01788 891940

Rugby LIFE Group - The Life shop is now in its fifth year and doing very well thanks to your generous and continued support. But, like all groups, we need a little more volunteer help please. Do consider coming along for a few hours, possibly weekly but perhaps less often, to lend a hand. It is satisfying, enjoyable and very positive. There are jobs to suit all talents from sorting donations to selling, from doing the displays to checking them. **You** really can make a difference! Do call in to see our managers, Lorna and Helen, for a chat at the shop in Sheep St. (10 a.m - 5 p.m Monday – Saturday). Donations of all sorts of stock, but especially ladies' and children's wear are also always most welcome; please call in or phone 567435. For anyone interested in the wider work of LIFE, please look at the website lifecharity.org.uk/getinvolved to see all the other forms of volunteering which make Life's work possible.

Lent Lunches - We have just finished our series of Lent lunches for this year and would like to thank you all for having hosted a lunch for us. We raised £937 to be shared between Christian Aid and CAFOD so please thank all your all your members who have attended the meals and given so generously. We wish you a very Happy Easter, Steve and Angela Crisp
Stefan Peter – For parishioners who knew Stefan Peter, I have been asked to advise you, that sadly Stefan Peter died in January of this year. His funeral took place in Austria a few weeks ago. We will hold a service for him in the Church. I will let you know the details when arranged.

Holiday - While Fr. Tom is away on holiday, please contact Fr. Justus for all your Pastoral & Church needs.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK 15th April - 22nd April 2017

SATURDAY 15th April – Vigil for Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

Easter Vigil Mass at 8.00 p.m. for Edward & Ina McKenna R.I.P. (Starting out side the Church with Easter fire)

SUNDAY 16th April – Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord

Dawn Mass at 8 a.m. for Alan Morgan R.I.P. and at **10 a.m. Mass Solemn high Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord.** for All Parishioners

NO 6 p.m. Mass

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

MONDAY 17th April - Easter Monday, Solemnity

Mass at 10 a.m. Private Intentions for Mark Deery

Polish Mass at 12:30 p.m.

NO 7.00 p.m. Mass

TUESDAY 18th April – Easter Tuesday, Solemnity

Mass at 10 a.m. for Shirley Deery R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 19th April – Easter Wednesday, Solemnity

Mass at 10.00 a.m. Private Intentions for Bethanie Pelloquin

THURSDAY 20th April - Easter Thursday, Solemnity

Mass at 10 a.m. for Dr. Karl Peter R.I.P.

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 21st April - Easter Friday, Solemnity

Mass at 10 a.m. for Marie Pelloquin R.I.P.

SATURDAY 22nd April - Easter Saturday, Solemnity

Confessions 10 to 11a.m. and from 5.30 to 5.55p.m.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Mass at 6 p.m. Private Intentions for Grace Marie Pelloquin

† PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: †

Tom Donnelly, Lucy Thackray, Elsie Johnson, Jade Lambert, DeeDee Flint, Edward Buckley, Piotr Fior, John Ritter, Luisa Tello Perez, Gladis Rienaecker, Alfredo Valderrama, Kerry Livesey, Eddie Lewandowski

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Mary Lillicrapp, Lilian Kiely, Martin Murphy, Mary Morgan, Patricia Kummerlowe, Mary Moyney