



# St. Joseph's, Warndon & Holy Redeemer, Pershore Parish Newsletter - 17<sup>th</sup> April



## 3<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (JUBILATE SUNDAY)



Sat. 17 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	People of our Parishes
	6:00 pm	St Joseph's	George Kunnathalayil. R.I.P. By Gincy Jose.
Sun. 18 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Anne Garrett. R.I.P By Paula Gordon.
	11:00 am	St Joseph's	Johan Dodgson's Int.

Mon. 19 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Peter & Paul's Ints.
	12:00 Noon		Requiem Mass for Mr. Ken Allen R.I.P. (Invite Only)

Tue. 20<sup>th</sup> Apr. Private Mass for Ronald Oakley. R.I.P.

Wed. 21<sup>st</sup> Apr. 10:00 am Holy Redeemer Mitlida Santhosh Thanks giving Mass

Thur. 22<sup>nd</sup> Apr. Private Mass for Maria D'Souza. R.I.P. [A]

Fri. 23<sup>rd</sup> Apr. 10:00 pm Holy Redeemer Mini & Sunny Family's Ints.

## 4<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER (GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY)



Sat. 24 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Rev Fr Maria Arokiyam. R.I.P.
	6:00 pm	St Joseph's	George Kunnathalayil. R.I.P. [A] By Gincy Jose.
Sun. 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr.	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	People of Our Parishes
	11:00 am	St Joseph's	Mark Shearsby's Ints. - 40 <sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**Confessions - Holy Redeemer and St. Joseph's:** Confessions, during the restrictions, are now being heard by appointment only so please telephone **Fr. Amal (01905 454352)** if you wish to receive the

**Special Year of St Joseph:** At St. Joseph's Church, during the remainder of this year we will be commemorating the "Year of Saint Joseph". After each mass we will be reciting the daily Novena Prayer to St. Joseph. If you are unable to attend due to the Corona restrictions, please try to find time each day to recite the prayer.

### Celebration of the Mass – Safety Guidance

- It is reaffirmed that **the obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.**
- **A limited number of "bubbles" can attend a service** (30 - St. Joseph's and 50 - Holy Redeemer).
- **On government advice on "track and trace" a contact phone number will be kept, for a period of 21 days, for people who comes to Mass.**
- The **toilet facilities** will be closed at all locations.
- Given there is **no Sunday obligation**, we ask you to consider attending **Mass on a weekday.**
- Churches are opened based upon the **1 metre plus social distancing rule.**
- **All people attending church services are now legally required to wear a face covering.**
- The use of **Hand Sanitizer** when entering and leaving the Church must be observed.
- Any **"one way" system** in force in churches must be observed.
- Strict observance to the **seating arrangements** is in force as monitored by the "stewards".
- All people must always observe at **least 1 metre separation.**
- Members of the congregation should not exchange the **sign of peace.**



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**Useful Links:** the following links are to On-line mass, prayer and other resources.

<a href="#"><u>Celebration of Mass, (Live Streams)</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Parishes With Live Streams</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Universalis Sunday Mass Reading</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>3rd Sunday of Easter</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Universalis "Todays" Mass Readings</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Mass Readings for "Today"</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Picture Meditation</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Picture Meditation</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>The God Who Speaks: Echoes of God</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Echoes of God</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>The Domestic Church:</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Domestic Church Resources.</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Prayers in a Time of Illness:</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Liturgy Office Prayer in Time of Illness</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>CAFOD Children's Liturgy:</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>CAFOD</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>Holy Redeemer Primary School</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>Holy Redeemer School</u></a>
<a href="#"><u>St. Joseph's Primary School Website</u></a>	<a href="#"><u>St Joseph's School</u></a>

**Perfect Contrition and Spiritual Communion:** There will still be many people who cannot attend Mass in person, both for those who remain shielding and vulnerable, and also for those unable to leave home because of advanced age or illness. In such cases it is unlikely that you will be able to receive the sacraments as normal. In these circumstances, there are devotions through which you can receive absolution for your sins, (under certain conditions), and the consolation of Eucharistic grace.

**Act of Perfect Contrition:** Through this act you receive pardon for your sins outside of confession, even mortal sins, **on condition that you determine to amend your life and make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as this becomes possible for you.**

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift "My God, grant me perfect contrition for all my sins". Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent of your sins because you love God and are sorry for offending Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have brought our Lord to His sufferings on the Cross. Promise him, that with His help, you will not sin again.

**Act of Spiritual Communion:** My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

### **Daily Novena Prayer to St. Joseph**

Oh St. Joseph whose protection is so great, so strong, so prompt before the throne of God, I place in you all my interests and desires.

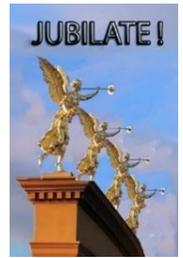
Oh St. Joseph do assist me by your powerful intercession and obtain for me from your divine son all spiritual blessings through Jesus Christ, our Lord; so that having engaged here below your heavenly power I may offer my thanksgiving and homage to the most loving of fathers.

Oh St. Joseph, I never weary contemplating you and Jesus asleep in your arms. I dare not approach while he reposes near your heart. Press him in my name and kiss his fine head for me and ask him to return the kiss when I draw my dying breath. St. Joseph, patron of departing souls, pray for us. Amen.

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# PARISH NOTICES

**Jubilate Sunday.** The third Sunday of Easter, being so named from the first word of the Introit at Mass - "Jubilate Deo omnis terra" ("Shout with joy to God, all the earth") (Psalm 65). In the liturgy for this and the two following Sundays, the Church continues her song of rejoicing in the Resurrection. Throughout the whole of Paschaltide both Office and Mass are expressive of Easter joy, Alleluia being added to every antiphon, responsory, and versicle, and repeated several times in the Introits and other parts of the Mass. The Introit for this day is an invitation to universal joy; the Epistle exhorts all, especially penitents and the newly baptized, to obey loyally the powers that be and to show themselves worthy disciples of the Risen Christ; and the Gospel gives similar advice, encouraging us to bear patiently the trials of this life in view of the heavenly joys that are to come hereafter.



**H.R.H. The Prince Philip, Duke of Edinburgh:** We were all deeply saddened to hear of the passing of Prince Philip, the Duke of Edinburgh. He selflessly lived for his adopted country and filled many roles with grace and splendour. Our deepest and sincere condolences and thoughts are with the Queen, the Royal Family, and the people of this great nation at this sad time.

**New Offertory Envelopes:** The boxes of 2021-2022 Offertory envelopes are available in the porch. Anyone who would like to have new Offertory Envelopes or "Gift Aid" their current donations please contact Fr Amal - Email: [Holy Redeemer](mailto:HolyRedeemer) or [St Joseph's](mailto:StJosephs) or phone the office with your name and address. - Thank You.

**Where does your money go?:** Every organisation needs money including the Church. However, in recent years income to parishes has been steadily reducing and costs continue to increase. The pandemic has and will have a significant impact on that situation. So, what better time for us to understand our financial situation as we draw closer to a return to normal life.



On **Sunday April 18th 2021 at 1.45pm for 2pm Start** the Rev. David Palmer, Deacon and Former Treasurer of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, will hold an Online Conference entitled "**Where does your money go?**" To register for the Zoom Meeting and to send any questions you would like asked at the meeting Email: [actabhm@gmail.com](mailto:actabhm@gmail.com)

**Pershore Food Bank** donations can be delivered straight to the Food Bank at St Andrews Centre on Tuesday mornings (11am-1pm) or Friday afternoons (1-3pm). Thank you for your support.

**200 Club – St Joseph:** If possible, would all members please bring their subscriptions up to date, if they have not already done so. Thank you.

**Boiler Replacement at St. Joseph's:** Contributions towards the cost of the new boiler at St. Joseph's – This week donations £50.00. Total Contributions to date **£2,875.00**. Thank you. Anyone who wishes to contribute contact Fr. Amal. God bless you all.

**Condolences:** We offer our condolences to the family and friends of **Kenneth Raymond Allen (Ken)**. Please keep them in your prayers. His Requiem Mass will take place at **12.00 noon this Monday 19<sup>th</sup> April** at Holy Redeemer, followed by service at the Chapel - The Vale – Evesham which will be live streamed on **19-Apr-21 at 1:00 pm** on <https://www.obitus.com/>. Please use username **juze7713** and password **774240**.

You can login to the website at any time to view a test connection (and we strongly recommend you do this) but you'll only be able to view the Live Webcast approx. 5 mins before the service start time. Please be aware this is a public building and the timing of the Live webcast is semi-automated to allow for services running early or late – please use your discretion if you can see activities not applicable to the service you are here to watch. Once the service has finished, it will take us up to 3 working days to get the 28-day Watch Again onto the website.

**Mass at Holy Redeemer Monday 19<sup>th</sup>:** The **10 am mass** at Holy Redeemer will be held for the public as normal followed at 12 noon by a private Requiem Mass.

**Newsletters:** We are grateful to those who print off newsletters and deliver them to those not on the internet. Please consider doing this if you know a parishioner in this situation.

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<b>Safeguarding</b>	Mr. Sinoj Sebastian 07882 754832	Ann-Marie Wallbank 01684 294040
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### The Word this Week:

Today's first reading shows us St. Peter addressing the crowd in Jerusalem on the day of Pentecost: he takes them through recent events, highlighting the important point, that he and the disciples can witness to the raising of Jesus from the dead, and calling them to repent and turn to God, so that sins may be wiped out. The second reading brings this into our lives: the resurrection is not just a historical event, which we remember. By baptism (which we renewed at Easter) we become part of Jesus in his dying and his rising, as he becomes the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

### Spiritual Matters

In Sunday's Gospel Jesus appears to the disciples again, and proves that He is completely alive; by showing them His wounds and even eating their food. Jesus' Resurrection is not just a happy story though, no, He is alive and with us, right now! We know that during The Sacred Act of Communion, we share His actual Body, but He lives in our hearts constantly too. Indeed, we feel Him with every beat and, if we really listen, we can hear Him whispering our name on the breeze. He is with us in all our feelings, thoughts, and words and, even if we forsake Him, He will patiently wait for us. So, let us close our eyes and quietly ask Jesus to help us feel Him truly alive within us today. Then let's pray to be refilled with His love and promise to share this with other people.

(Louise Bowen)

### For Your Prayers:

Continue to pray for all those who are sick at this time, those at home and in hospital, **Sheila Powell, Monica Wild, Susan Vial, Mary Hill, Peter Oshea, Lynda Horne, Elena Petta, Mary Waring, Mary Jenkins, Hannah Bratt, Rachael Nielsen, Sarah Cole, Helen Abbott, Richard Milnes, John Allison, Sandra Bryer, Hazel Tester and Siobhan Stillwell.** We also remember their carers and the sacrifices they humbly offer.

We pray to the merciful Heart of Jesus for those who have died, especially those whose anniversaries occur this week. **Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine.....**

**If you would like someone to be prayed for by the parish, please complete a privacy consent form.**

*"No one can be excluded from the mercy of God; everyone knows the way to access it and the Church is the house where everyone is welcomed, and no one is rejected."* - **Pope Francis**

**Thank You to Our Volunteers:** Without their support, we would be unable to open our churches for Masses. Their help is really appreciated. Please keep them all in your prayers.

### Volunteers at Holy Redeemer and St. Joseph's

Sat. 17/04	H.R. 4 pm	Christine Dodd,	Pat Haines,	Jane Morgan	Anne Halliday
	S. J. 6 pm	David Vas	Sharon Vas	Martin Fletcher	
Sun. 18/04	H.R. 9 am	Christine Dodd	Bernard O'Keefe	Sheila Oldman	Jenny Masser
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