



*St. Joseph's, Warndon &
Holy Redeemer, Pershore
Parish Newsletter - 30th April*



3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER



30th Apr.	Sat.	11:00 am	St. Joseph	1st Holy Communion Mass for School.
		4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Michael & Manonmani. R.I.P.
		6:00 pm	St. Joseph	20th Wedding Anniversary Linas & Shiji
1st May	Sun.	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Thanks giving Mass For Fr. Amal
		11:00 am	St. Joseph	Bernard & Catherine Hendrie. R.I.P. [A]

Mon. 2nd May	10.00 am	Holy Redeemer	No Mass
Tue. 3rd May	9:00 am	St. Joseph	School Mass
	6:00 pm		Laura Fernholdt's Birthday
Wed. 4th May	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Ordination day of Fr Amal, Thanks giving Mass
Thur. 5th May	Private Mass		
Fri. 6th May	9:30 am	Holy Redeemer	Adoration.
	10:00 am		Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
	6:00 pm	St. Joseph	Adoration.
	6:30 pm		Lee Price's Birthday
	7:00 pm		Divine Mercy Chaplet

4th SUNDAY OF EASTER



7th May	Sat	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Private Intention.
		6:00 pm	St. Joseph	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
	*** Sun.	8:30 am	Holy Redeemer	Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
8th May		10:00 am	St. Joseph	Natasha & Lee Price's 15th Wedding Anniversary.

***** NOTE CHANGE OF MASS TIMES –SEE “HOLIDAY AND CHANGE OF MASS TIMES” ON PAGE 3.**

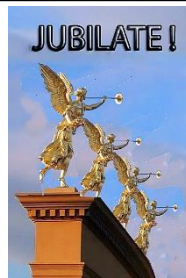
Holy Communion can be brought to the Sick and Housebound on the First Friday of the month by Deacon Pat or a Eucharistic Minister. Fr Amal is also available to administer the Sacrament of Reconciliation. **Please contact Fr Amal or Deacon Pat or Deacon Kevin.**

May the Month of Mary: The month of May is the month which is especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady, and it is the occasion for a “moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world pray to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God’s mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance” *(Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1).* **During the month of May we will pray the Rosary 25 minutes before every weekday Mass / Eucharistic Service.**

A Prayer for Ukraine: Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them, and may you guide world leaders, to find compassion, strength and wisdom in their choices.
May we reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need in this moment of crisis and walk in your ways. so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.

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" ("Cry out 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 Paschal tide 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.

First Holy Communion: The children of St. Joseph's are going to receive 1st Holy Communion this **Saturday 30th April 2022** at a special 11am Mass at St. Joseph's. Please keep them in your prayers.

Easter House Blessing: Anyone who wishes to receive the Easter House Blessing should contact Fr. Amal with address details on 01905 454352 or e-mail on stjoseph.worcester@rcaob.org.uk

Parish Pilgrimage to the Basilica of Our Lady of Walsingham (CANCELLED):
Regrettably the Pilgrimage has been cancelled as we have not sufficient people expressing an interest.

Secrecy and Subterfuge - Catholic Life in Early Modern England: The Archdiocese of Birmingham History and Archives Commission is pleased to present a History Day at Harvington Hall, Worcestershire this **Tuesday 3rd May 2022**. See poster for details.


Archdiocese of Birmingham Synodal Pathway Synthesis: The Synodal Pathway Committee has written to thank you all for your enthusiasm and support as we "Walked Together" in the diocese. They are grateful for your work submitting reports on behalf of your parishes and small groups. To view, visit www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk

Flowers in Holy Redeemer: We desperately need Parishioners to help in "doing the flowers" on a fortnightly Rota commencing after Easter. Floral arrangements can be as simple or as complicated as you wish and **YOU DEFINITELY DO NOT NEED TO BE A PROFESSIONAL ARRANGER !!!!**
SIMPLE IS BEAUTIFUL !.



Would you be prepared to help? *Please speak with or 'phone Jenny Masser on 01386 555131 who will gladly chat to you about what is involved and will give friendly guidance to those who have never done flower arranging before. "Church Flowers" is a very important and fulfilling ministry. See poster at the back of church for details.*

Pershore Food Bank are short of the following items: long life milk, fruit juice and squash, canned goods (especially vegetables, sauces & condiments, cleaning products, toilet rolls and basic toiletries. The bank has plenty of chocolate biscuits and chocolate goodies. Thank you for your support.

Ukraine Disaster Appeal: CAFOD, as a member of the Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) in the UK is supporting the appeal. They have specifically asked for financial assistance rather than donations of goods. It is through CAFOD that the Catholic community can give practical assistance to Ukraine. To donate go to: <https://cafod.org.uk/donations/> or follow the link. 

Holiday and Change of Mass Times: I am going for my holiday from 8th May until 5th June. During my absence, if there is a need to contact a priest, please call St George's Catholic Church on 01905 23688 / Mob 07950 655 941.

During my absence service time will be subject to change as follows (from Sunday 8th May till Sunday 5th June inclusive).

<i>HOLY REDEEMER</i>			
Sunday May 8 th	8:30 am	Holy Redeemer	Holy Mass (Note change of time)
Mon. (May 9/16/23/30)	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Eucharistic Service
Wed. (May 11/18/25, Jun. 1)	10:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Eucharistic Service
Fri. (May 13/20/27, June 3)	9:00 am	Holy Redeemer	Adoration & Eucharistic Service
Sat (May 14/21/28, Jun. 4)	4:00 pm	Holy Redeemer	Holy Vigil Mass
Sun. (May 15/22/29, Jun. 5)	-----	Holy Redeemer	NO SUNDAY MASS

<i>ST. JOSEPH</i>			
Tues. (May 10/17/24/31)	-----	St. Joseph	No Mass or Eucharistic Service
Fri. (May 13/20/27, June 3)	6:00 pm	St. Joseph	Adoration & Eucharistic Service
	7:00 pm		Divine Mercy Chaplet
Sat. (May 14/21/28, Jun. 4)	6:00 pm	St. Joseph	Holy Vigil Mass
Sun. (May 8/15/22/29, Jun. 5)	11:00 am	St. Joseph	Holy Mass

New Readers List: A new readers list is now available at the back of church. Readers please sign up. We would love to have some new readers so if you would like to read, but have not done so before, please see Deacon Pat or Christine [Pershore]. Deacon Kevin at St Joseph.

This week 2nd Collection For Cathedral Maintenance.

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The Word this Week:

Today we continue to dwell on the resurrection of Jesus and the growth of the Church. The Gospel has many themes: the failed fishing trip, the inability of Peter to recognise the risen Jesus, the miracle of the 153 fish and the simple, powerful reassuring words of Jesus to his confused disciples: "Come and have breakfast". We can all find ourselves a place in this Gospel story, as we continue to wonder at the

Spiritual Matters

In Sunday's Gospel the disciples are having an unsuccessful fishing trip, until Jesus helps them. They then have a huge catch, and understand that He is the Risen Lord. After eating, Jesus asks Saint Peter whether he loves Him more than the other disciples. In fact, the Lord asks him this three times and Peter seems a little irritated by these questions. He soon realizes, however, that the Lord is giving him a life-long mission to care for the people. Despite being warned that this work will eventually result in his death, Peter accepts the challenge; but what does this Gospel say to us? We are Jesus' modern-day disciples and we are called to care for His people too. We need Jesus' grace to achieve this though, so, let us ask for this today. Then let's pray that we will radiate the Lord's loving goodness, bringing His light into the world's darkest corners.

(Louise Bowen)

For Your Prayers:

Continue to pray for all those who are sick at this time, those at home and in hospital, **Alan Smith, Stephen Hales, Susan Vial, Peter Oshea, Lynda Horne, Elena Petta, Hannah Bratt, Rachael Nielsen, Sarah Cole, Helen Abbott, Ann Milnes, 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.

"We were old sinners - but when we came to Christ, we are not sinners anymore".

Joel Osteen

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