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**Welcome to this House
of God:**

Talk to God before Mass

**Listen to God during
Mass**

Talk to others after Mass

Today's Mass Readings

Acts 10: 34, 37-43;

Psalm 117;

Colossians 3: 1-4;

John 20: 1 - 9

This Week 1st April - 8th April	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Sunday 1st April Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord Year B Easter Offering for the Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers	8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Holy Mass No Evening Mass	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Traidcraft Stall in the hall
Monday 2nd April Easter Monday	10.00 am Claire Langston RIP (I & MM)	
Tuesday 3rd April Easter Tuesday	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Wednesday 4th April Easter Wednesday	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Mary Hanson RIP (AM)	10.00 am - 9.00 pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday 5th April Easter Thursday	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	7.00 pm: Wedding Rehearsal
Friday 6th April Easter Friday	9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am Holy Communion Service	
Saturday 7th April Easter Saturday	10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am George Hancock - sick	12 Noon: Wedding Service
Sunday 8th April Second Sunday of Easter Year B	8.30 am Chris & Bill Powell - Thanksgiving for Golden Wedding Anniversary (SM) 10.30 am Holy Mass 6.00pm People of the Parish	After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall in the hall

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

**8.30 am & 10.30 am: This day was made by the Lord; we
rejoice and are glad.**

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, John Blackman, Monica Campbell, Christopher and Mary Campbell-Johnston, Barbara Conway, Bernadette Violet Duffy, Alan Francis, Natasha Hake, Beryl Hill, Louise Hill, Marie Hopkins, Julia Howles, Alan Hurst, Michael James, Mike Jennings, Eileen Kilminster, Billy Lydon, Kevin McCorry, Jackie McLean, Agnes May, Rob O'Sullivan, Liz Prakash, Rosemarie Preece, Barbara Quigley, James Regan, Michael Sheridan, Bob Shuck, Jacky Smith, Anne & Philip Smith, Sarah Trueman, Ann Turton, Jim Tustain, David Veale, Mary Wallace, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman, Brigid Yates and Fr. Tom's sister, Maura.

FATHER VINCENT

Father Vincent has travelled back to India to be with his mother, Mary Arulandhu, who is not very well. He has thanked parishioners for your kind thoughts and prayers during this time. Details of Masses and Services will be in the newsletter and on the parish website. **These will change each week.** In Father Vincent's absence, please contact Father Brian or Kate Dalgleish. To arrange a Mass Intention, please contact Kate Dalgleish.

EASTERTIDE JOURNEY

The "Walk with Me" booklet for the Eastertide journey is available at the back of the church. Please consider taking a copy home. These are free; any donations will go to the Missions. Thank you.

ASHRAY:OUR MILLENIUM PROJECT

Thank you for your support after the recent appeal. It may be that due to the bad weather you missed the appeal for donations to help fund our school in Varanasi, India. If this is the case, there are envelopes at the back of church in which you can make a one off donation and leave at the presbytery or use the details to set up a standing order to make regular bank payments. Thank you again for your support. For further information John and Gina Pilley can be contacted on ashraydroitwich@gmail.com or on 07914 920298

DROITWICH SPA FOODBANK

The Droitwich Spa Foodbank have recently collected items from the boxes in the entrance way to church and they have passed on their gratitude for the amount of donations. Thank you to all for your continuing generosity.

GIFT AID

For those parishioners that gift aid their weekly offerings, the new envelopes are at the back of church. Please can you take the box with your name on for use in the Tax Year starting Friday 6th April 2018.

READERS AND EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS

There is a new rota available for the period from Sunday 22nd April until Sunday 29th July that has been distributed via email. A few copies are available at the back of church for those who are not on the distribution list. If you are unable to take your turn on the rota, please arrange to swap with someone else. If there are any problems or if anyone would like to join the Readers' and Eucharistic Ministers' Rota, please contact the Parish Office. Many thanks.

HALL PLATES

If anyone has any plates from the Parish Hall, please could these be returned to the Presbytery as soon as possible. There are currently 20 missing and if these cannot be located we will need to replace them.

REFUGEE KNITTING & UNDERWEAR, HAT, SCARVES AND GLOVES COLLECTION

Thank you for your continual support of these appeals, your kindness is so appreciated by the organisers as well as the recipients. The next collection will be on Friday 6th April, and no doubt it will be as special as ever. Wool, needles and patterns are available at the back of the church to help defray your costs and donations of the same are so welcome.



Happy Easter!

MASSES

There is no evening Mass today. There will also be no Anointing Mass during April.



THANK YOU

CAFOD have written to thank parishioners for your donations to Lent Fast Day. This letter is on the noticeboard if you would like to read it.



CONFESSIONS

There will be no Confessions on Saturdays whilst Fr. Vincent is in India. Confessions will be by appointment only. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to arrange an appointment.



Main Collection:

£333.34

Gift Aid: £305.00

Mass Attendance

Last Sunday: 340

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

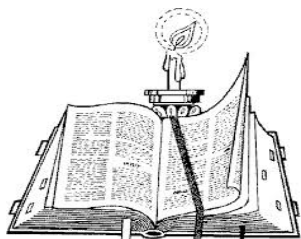
The retiring collection for Easter Flowers raised: £309.69

Thank you for your generosity.



DROITWICH SVP

Sacred Heart SVP can be contacted on 0777 292 7535 or at droitwichsvp@googlemail.com.



Next Sunday's Mass

Readings

Acts 4: 32-35;

Psalms 117;

1 John 5: 1-6;

John 20: 19-31

Welcome to everyone at Mass today, especially if you are new to our church or haven't been to Mass for some time.

If you are of another Christian denomination or non-Christian you are warmly invited to approach the priest or minister and ask or signify your wish for a blessing.

NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM

SUNDAY 22ND APRIL: 10.30 AM UNTIL 5.30 PM

A warm invitation to the first, annual pilgrimage for Catholic men. Meet, talk and share the faith with other men; listen to speakers, celebrate confession and Mass, pray for families and for the country; process to the old Abbey grounds for Benediction. We welcome lay and religious, single and married, young and old, fathers and sons. "When England returns to Walsingham, Our Lady will return to England" (Pope Leo XIII, 1887). For more information visit www.catholicman.co.uk.

RiDL

The next Retreat in Daily Life support group will be on Thursday 12th April at 7.30 pm, focussing on Luke 24: 36-48. All are welcome. If you would like to attend or need more information please contact Debbie Prigg on 01905 771288 or dprigg@btinternet.com.

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TWO BIG PROBLEMS:

2 - LIMITATIONS OF SCIENTIFIC PROGRESS

Yes, the value of progress in science and technology may be great, and a tribute to the creative powers of human beings. There can also be adverse effects which must be taken into account. For instance, great value in GM crops, but which may also result in driving out small producers, produce uniformity instead of diversity, concentrate wealth in the hands of a few, and threaten the existing structure of natural local eco-systems. These things need discussion, resulting in balanced decisions. So also with experimentation of human embryos "when technology disregards the great ethical principles, it ends up considering any practice whatsoever as allowable". A comprehensive approach by all parties is needed.

