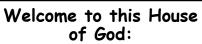


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Talk to God before Mass Listen to God during Mass

Talk to others after Mass



Today's Mass Readings Acts 10: 34, 37-43; Psalm 117; 1 Corinthians 5: 6-8 John 20: 1-9

| This Week 21st April - 28th April | Holy Mass & Services | Other Events |
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| Sunday 21st April Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord Year C Easter Offering for the Sacred Heart Fathers and Brothers | 8.30 am Holy Mass 10.30 am Holy Mass No Evening Mass | 6.30 am: Sonrise Service at St. Augustine's, Droitwich After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall |
| Monday 22nd April Easter Monday, Solemnity | 10.00 am Miss M. Pope (EK) | |
| Tuesday 23rd April Easter Tuesday, Solemnity | 9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am David Veale RIP (AM) | |
| Wednesday 24th April Easter Wednesday, Solemnity | 8.45 am Morning Prayer 9.00 am Rita Horne RIP (MR) | 10.00 am - 9.00 pm: Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 7.00 pm: Lent Retreat |
| Thursday 25th April Easter Thursday, Solemnity | 9.00 am Morning Prayer9.15 am Holy Mass11.30 am Requiem Mass | |
| Friday 26th April Easter Friday, Solemnity | 9.00 am Morning Prayer 9.15 am David Veale RIP (BB) | 7.00 pm - 8.00 pm: Adoration and Devotion to the Sacred Heart |
| Saturday 27th April Easter Saturday, Solemnity | 10.30 am Holy Rosary 11.00 am Rita Horne RIP (AM) | 11.00 am Mass with the Sacrament of Anointing |
| Sunday 28th April Second Sunday of Easter Year C | 8.30 am Michael Trow RIP (MM) 10.30 am Rita Horne RIP (Sacred Heart Ladies) 6.00 pm People of the Parish | After 8.30 & 10.30 Mass: Coffee and Tea in the Hall Piety Stall available 12 Noon: Baptism |

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

8.30 am: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are

glad.

10.30 am: The stone which the builders rejected has become the

corner stone, alleluia, alleluia, has become the corner

stone.

6.00 pm: No evening Mass

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Please pray for all our parishioners, and/or their friends and relatives, who are unwell:

Ralph & Milly Arnold, Mary Arulandhu, Barbara Conway, Patrick Cussen, Eileen Dalton, Delores Delaney, Alan Francis, Beryl Hill, Alan Hurst, John Jennings, Rosemarie Preece, Michael Sheridan, Aidan Skinner, Jacky Smith, Breda Wightman, Mark Wightman, Richard Wightman, Monsignor Graham Wilkinson & Brigid Yates.

Due to the new data regulations (GDPR), the Archdiocese have requested that we do not list names unless we have the consent of the individual. If you would like your name to be included in this list please contact Fr. George SCJ or Kate Dalgleish. Please note that the newsletter is also placed on the parish website. Thank you for your understanding.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Your prayers are asked for **Bernadette Duffy** and **Rita Horne** who died recently. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God rest in peace. The Requiem Mass for Rita Horne will be at 11.30 am on Thursday 25th April followed by a Cremation at Worcester Crematorium at 1.00 pm. Please also remember their family members and friends in your kind thoughts and prayers.

FR. GEORGE MATHEW SCJ

Fr. George is away from the Parish on Sunday 28th April to make an appeal on behalf of the Sacred Heart Missions. In his absence Fr. Enrico will be saying all Masses on this date.

PARISH SECRETARY

I am out of the office until Tuesday 30th April. For any urgent queries relating to the hall, please contact Caroline Healy on 01905 779437. For any other urgent queries, please contact Fr. George SCJ. Everything else will be dealt with on my return.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

After many years in the role, Shelagh Young is stepping down as leader of the Children's Liturgy groups. We would like to thank Shelagh for leading the Children's Liturgy Groups and her dedication to the young people in our parish. If anyone is interested in taking over this role, please contact Fr. George SCJ.

LENT RETREAT 2019

Please keep in your prayers the Jesuit online Lent Retreat that is now taking place. The final meeting is on Wednesday 24th April at 7.00 pm in the Elgar Room.

DROITWICH SPA FOODBANK 2018/2019 REPORT

We have just completed our year-end and would like to thank everyone who has either placed an item in our collection boxes or made a cash donation; without you we would not be able to help the people in our community who have found themselves in a desperate situation. Between April 2018 and March 2019 we fed 2189 people of which 833 were children. This is an increase of 34% on the previous year. The most concerning trend is the increase in families who have sought our help. Most clients come to us because of delays in benefits, changes in benefits or low income and they are referred to us by agencies such as the job centre, Age UK, Fortis housing, doctors, social workers and schools. Last year we had 17,800 kg of food and toiletries donated by people who live in and around Droitwich, people like you who take time to put a tin in a box. Thank you so much.

REFUGEE ITEMS

Thank you so much for the exquisite knitted and crocheted items donated this month. Also, once again a special thank you to the ladies who sent in the gorgeous blankets, scarf and glove sets and packaged them so beautifully. Also another very special thank you to the ladies who regularly knit such vast quantities of beautiful hats and scarves. These items will be so treasured by the people in the camps. As mentioned previously there will be no May collection; please keep knitting for the collection on Saturday 1st June.



Happy Easterl

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

A HUGE thank you for the wonderful response to our appeal last weekend. We have £894.39 from this collection that can now be used in order for us to help those most in need in our town. Thank you for your continued support.

HARVINGTON HALL JOB VACANCY

Harvington Hall are looking to appoint a new manager. Please see the poster on the noticeboard for full details. The closing date for applications is Friday 26th April 2019.

FOODBANK

The April wish list from Foodbank is on the noticeboard. Items can be placed in the box at the entrance to church. Thank you for your generosity.



Main Collection: £321.70 Gift Aid: £245.57 Mass Attendance Last Sunday: 357

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

The retiring collection for Easter Flowers raised: £283.31 Thank you for your generosity.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM NEWSLETTER

There are two copies of the latest newsletter from the Archdiocese at the back of church.

DROITWICH SVP

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



Next Sunday's Mass Readings

Acts 5: 12-16;

Psalm 117;

Apocalypse 1: 9-13,

17-19

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.

DIRECTION FOR OUR TIMES

You are invited to read and meditate upon the locutions for Passiontide given to Anne, A Lay Apostle. Copies are available at the back of the church. Any enquiries to lain and Marie Martin on 01905 798130.

SAVE THE DATE! SATURDAY 11TH MAY

March for Life UK is happening in London. Join thousands of other pro-lifers in creating awareness of the hurt and damage abortion causes and helping to promote a culture of life. Inside festival (LifeFest19) from 9.30 am until 1.30 pm. Booking is required. March starts at 2.00 pm (no booking required). For more information please see the poster on the noticeboard or go to marchforlife.co.uk or call 07773 501721/07885 505116.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER NON-RESIDENTIAL WEEKEND AT ST. MARY'S ON THE HILL, WEDNESBURY

This is an enrichment weekend on the 29th and 30th of June 2019 for normal, ordinary marriages (NOT counselling). M.E. weekends have proved time and time again to be of immense value to couples however long they have been married. All discussions are private to the participating couples; there is no group work. Take advantage of a fairly local weekend! For further information go to www.wwme.org.uk or contact Phil & Rita Jackson on 0121 2447762 or email wackojacko456@hotmail.com.

DROITWICH SVP: WAITROSE GREEN TOKEN SCHEME

The Droitwich SVP are one of the three charities Waitrose, Droitwich is supporting this month. When shopping in Waitrose throughout April, please place your green tokens in the SVP box so we may benefit from a share of £1,000 to boost our funds to help those in need locally.

BDES COURSE

The Birmingham Diocesan Education Service are offering a course on Saturday 11th May entitled *A day for practising Catholics aspiring for a leadership role in our schools in the Archdiocese of Birmingham*. The course is at Birmingham Diocesan Education Service, Don Bosco House, Coleshill. B46 3EA from 8.30 am until 3.30 pm. To book please go to http://w.pfrms.co/bj4jc or visit www.bdes.org.uk

SAVE THE DATE

Please note the following date in your diaries:

Saturday 22nd June 2019

First Holy Communion Mass at 11.00 am

Friday 28th June 2019

Parish Centenary Celebrations begin

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