

**Notices for week beginning 5<sup>th</sup> April 2020**

Sat 4<sup>th</sup> 6.00pm Eva McGrath RIP YH  
Sun 5<sup>th</sup> 10.15am Patrick & Kathleen O'Driscoll RIP  
6.00pm Shibu Thomas RIP  
Mon 6<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Dec of Reed Fam. Helene R  
Tues 7<sup>th</sup> 7.00pm Paul Brady RIP DC  
Wed 8<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Paul Brady RIP GW  
School 9.45am No Mass  
Thu 9<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Cannon & Quinn Fam. living & dead  
Fri 10<sup>th</sup> **3.00pm** Liturgy of the Lord's Passion  
**7.00pm** Stations of the Cross  
Sat 11<sup>th</sup> 9.00am No Mass  
6.00pm Trina Flynn RIP D  
Sun 12<sup>th</sup> 10.15am Catherine Finucane RIP  
6.00pm Holy Souls Parishioners

**CHURCH WEBCAM: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv> (mass can be viewed from St Edward's Church on this website, mass will go ahead at the above times without congregation)**

**Lockdown Gift Aid - during the lockdown, if anyone would like to change their donations to a bank standing order, please let Brendan Campbell know and he'll send the details that you will need. You can email him at [bren.campbell@hotmail.com](mailto:bren.campbell@hotmail.com) or call on 07887 915373.**

**New Church Biro's** in the Piety Shop £2 each.

**Pope's Mission Statement for April:** May those suffering from addiction be helped and accompanied.

**Legion of Mary – Statue Visitation** To celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Legion of Mary in 2021, we are inviting 100 parishioners to accept the statue of Our Lady into their homes. The idea is to promote prayer and in particular the Holy Rosary in the homes of our parish. If you would like to be involved, please sign your name and phone number on the Legion of Mary noticeboard in the porch or give your name to Rita Ocho (07980 107834).

**FAMILY OFFERINGS** - Thank you for your presence among us, for your prayers, and for your generous monetary offerings that we know are sometimes given in great sacrifice. We promise to be good stewards with the contributions you entrust in our care last week *Offertory*

*2<sup>nd</sup> collection. Many thanks*

**MASS ATTENDANCE: Sat(vigil) Sun(10.15am) Sun(6pm)**

**MASS READERS FOR NEXT WEEK: Sat (vigil) none**

**Sunday (10.15am) none (6pm) none**

**EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS for next week – Sat (vigil) none**

**Sun (10.15am) none (6pm) none**

**CASHIERS** for next week:

**CLEANERS FOR NEXT WEEK PLEASE** none

**CLEANERS:** Anyone who would like to help keeping the Church clean, please contact Dirk Hermans (0121 689 0831, [dmjpkb.hermans@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:dmjpkb.hermans@blueyonder.co.uk))

**SICK:** Fr Denis, Fr Eugene, Rose Hyland, Peter Pamba, Caroline Holland, Marie Flynn, Felix McCann, John Masterson, Ollie Hemming, James Neild, Megan Foley, Peter Power, Keith Dunsby, Rita (Dunsby) Miles, Eileen Murray, Vickie Keating, Roger Hooke and all the sick and housebound of the Parish.

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Rev Thomas Cockburn, Canon Brian Withers, Rev Matthew Sheridan, Rev John Callaghan, Mgr Canon Daniel Leonard, Rev Laurence King. Also Thomas Queenan, Mary Daly,

Michael Connolly, Jerry Cronin, Peggy Dunne, Kitty Boyle, Aggie Finucane and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.

**WALK WITH ME – A DIOCESAN PRAYER:** Lord God, our light and our salvation, we praise you for your gifts of life and faith. We thank you for the desire that you have planted in our hearts, our yearning to see your face. Help us to meet you in prayer, to walk in your ways, and to speak to others of our joy and consolation in your presence. Give us faithfulness in this present life so that we may come to know and praise your beauty with all our brothers and sisters in the life to come. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

**PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT:** O Holy Spirit, beloved of my soul, I adore you, enlighten me, guide me, strengthen me, console me – tell me what I should do. I promise to submit myself to all that you permit to happen to me – let me only know your holy will. Amen.

**ANIMA CHRISTI:** Soul of Christ, sanctify me. Body of Christ, save me. Blood of Christ, inebriate me. Water from the side of Christ, wash me; passion of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus hear me. Within thy wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from thee. From the malignant enemy defend me. In the hour of my death, call me and bid me to come to thee, that with thy saints, I may praise thee for ever and ever. Amen

**DIOCESAN PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS:** Lord Jesus, send labourers into your harvest. Inspire in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Bless our families with a spirit of generosity. May those whom you call to the priesthood and religious life have the courage to give themselves to your Church as co-operators in your work.

St John Vianney – *Pray for Us.*

**PRAYER TO SAINT JOHN HENRY NEWMAN** Almighty and eternal God, we offer heartfelt thanks and praise for the life and witness of Saint John Henry Newman. In him You have given us an inspiring example of a priest and teacher heroically devoted to the pursuit of holiness and the salvation of souls. Through his intercession and his teaching we ask You to pour out Your blessings on all Your children who seek Your truth, so that all may come to know and love You in the one fold of the Redeemer, our Lord Jesus Christ Your Son, Who lives and reigns with You in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen

**ADOREMUS – PRAYER FOR CORPUS CHRISTI** O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption. Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL** St. Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle, be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly host, by the power of God, cast into hell Satan and all the evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**O Sacrament Most Holy, O Sacrament Divine, All Praise & all Thanksgiving, Be Every Moment Thine (to be said three times)**

**Talk to Jesus, let Jesus talk to you, then talk to family & friends**

*“Heaven doesn’t value what you have but what you give.” Pope Francis*

**Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Have mercy on us (say 3 times)**

**THE ANGELUS**

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary;

**R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit, Hail Mary....**

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord;

**R. Be it done unto me according to thy word. Hail Mary...**

V. And the Word was made Flesh;

**R. And dwelt among us. Hail Mary....**

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God

**R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray

Pour forth, we beseech thee, O Lord, your grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ, your son, was made known by the message of an Angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection, through the same Christ our Lord. **R. Amen.**

May the divine assistance remain always with us, and may the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. **R. Amen.**

**Official Family Prayer for World Meeting of Families**

**God, our Father, we are brothers and sisters in Jesus your Son, One family, in the Spirit of your love. Bless us with the joy of love.**

**Make us patient and kind, gentle and generous, welcoming to those in need.**

**Help us to live your forgiveness and peace.**

**Protect all families with your loving care, especially those for whom we now pray:**

*[We pause and remember family members and others by name]*

**Increase our faith, strengthen our hope, Keep us safe in your love, Make us always grateful for the gift of life that we share.**

**This we ask, through Christ our Lord. Amen**

**Mary, mother and guide, pray for us.**

**Saint Joseph, father and protector, pray for us.**

**Saints Joachim and Anne, pray for us.**

**Saints Louis and Zélie Martin, pray for us.**

**THE DEEP END – ‘In truth this was a son of God’**

**What was it that prompted this exclamation from the Roman centurion? In the Passion account we hear today, these words are spoken just after Jesus dies on the cross.**

**Matthew’s Gospel tells us that great signs accompanied his death. The veil of the Temple is torn, the earth quakes, and tombs are opened – all signs that point to who Jesus really is.**

**But when we look at what preceded these signs, the words of the centurion take on new meaning. Jesus has suffered the most horrific and degrading death possible, only a few days but a million miles away from the celebrated figure who entered Jerusalem to the cheers of the crowd. The broken body on the cross does not look like a saviour. The man who quietly submits to mockery and torture does not act like a worldly king. The abandoned man who cries out, ‘My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?’ does not appear to have any power. In the world’s eyes, he is a failure.**

**Yet, this broken figure is God. When God became human, he allied himself with the weakest and most vulnerable – from his humble beginnings in poverty to his death as a criminal. When we talk in the church about having solidarity with those who are poor or**

**vulnerable or abandoned, we are directly following the example of Jesus. Not only did he extend love and compassion to all those at the margins of society, he became a marginal person himself.**

**And it is at his very lowest point that he is first recognised as ‘son of God.’ It is worth asking ourselves: if Jesus were here today, where would we find him?**

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