

Notices for week beginning 18th April 2021

Sat 17 th	6.00pm	Tom Costello RIP BC	
Sun 18 th	10.15am	Ita (Eta) Doyle RIP Catherine	
	6.00pm	No Mass	Gluten free hosts
Mon 19 th	9.00am	Abigales Birthday – Judith	available in the Sacristy
Tues 20 th	7.00pm	Alex Schroeder RIP 4 th Anniv Catherine	before Mass
Wed 21 st	9.00am	Rosary	
School	9.30am	Peter Smallbone Int	
Thu 22 nd	9.00am	Margaret Lennon RIP J & AK	
Fri 23 rd	9.00am	Ann O’Sullivan RIP J & AK	
Sat 24 th	9.00am	No Mass	
	6.00pm	Pat Fagan RIP K & TM	
Sun 25 th	10.15am	Tom & Elizabeth Dunne RIP Tom	
	6.00pm	No Mass	

Do not be afraid, come to church & pray the Mass in person & receive the hand Jesus in Holy Communion

Envelopes are available for those who use them & are available to for others to use, also direct debit forms.

CAFOD Update Sr Anna O'Connor wishes to express her sincere thanks to all who sponsored her for the "Walk for Water" £1,500 was sent to Cafod, see the acknowledgement letter displayed at the back of the Church. I am enormously grateful to all who sent donations by cheque, cash or online. I was deeply moved by the response to this worthy cause. I know that the lives of so many of our brothers and sisters will be changed for the better as many more will have access to clean water in their local areas. Warmest wishes to you and your families and with every blessing and remembrance in prayer. God Bless. Sr Anna O'Connor

Marriage Care www.marriagecare.org.uk offers marriage preparation, relationship counselling and more.

Missio Red Boxes Secretary We are looking for a new Local Secretary as Anne Sayers has retired from this position. Money from the Red Boxes is collected four times in the year and the job of the Local Secretary is to organize the collections with the help of the existing Collectors and to bank the money. Red boxes have been in St Edward's Parish for many years and we hope we can continue this work for the Missions into the future. If you can help please contact Fr Denis.

How to access the picture/webcam in the Upper Room

Go to the parish website and follow links for the upper room Parish Website: <https://stedward.org.uk/> Go to You tube <https://www.youtube.com/> and type in St Edwards, Selly Park Or type the following into your browser <https://camstreamer.com/redirect/d8e46be62ebbf3/S-41947>

CHURCH WEBCAM: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv>

Church website <https://stedward.org.uk/>- the website has been updated and the weekly bulletins can be found online here.

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.

MASS ATTENDANCE: Sat (vigil) 35, Sun (10.15am) 70

Off Collection £269.42 **W.W.M Books** £54.16

Church donations - 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 or call or text on 07887 915373.

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

ANNIVERSARIES: Rev Peter Moore, Rev Patrick Downey, Rev Anthony Conlon, Rev Hugh Griffith, Rev Andrew Kenny, Rev Oswald Joyce, Rev Liam Boucher, Deacon Peter Seeney. **Also** Tony Brannelly, Kathleen Coleman, Isabel Harkin, Peter Heavy, Ita Doyle, Mary Reddington, Mary Owens, Daniel Noel Doyle, Peter O'Neill, Margaret Moore, Martin Kane, Theresa Smith **and for all whose anniversaries occur about this time.**

Pope's Mission Statement for April: We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting to uphold fundamental rights under authoritarian regimes and in democracies in crisis.

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 ST. JOSEPH Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; in you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. 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.

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

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.*

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

THE DEEP END – ‘You are Witnesses of these things’

Today’s Gospel is one of the resurrection accounts from St Luke’s Gospel. It begins with the disciples recalling their experience on the road to Emmaus and how they recognised Jesus in the breaking of the bread. The Gospel continues into another account of the Risen Jesus with his disciples. Jesus interrupts the disciple’s story and greets them with ‘Peace’ (Shalom) yet, in this account, they are terrified by this. Jesus shows them his wounds and Luke tells us that they are full of joy, but they still can’t believe it and think it is a ghost. Jesus shows them that he is no ghost as he asks for food and eats fish with them. Jesus then journeys with them back through the scriptures in order to open their minds. He speaks to them compassionately, trying to relieve their anxiety and fear.

Jesus tells the disciples that ‘you are witnesses of these things’. Luke wants to establish an important point, that these disciples are witnesses to the Resurrection, they ate with Jesus after his death and he opened their minds. The Resurrection accounts in the Gospels are not fantasy, they are the actual experiences of Jesus’ disciples. So often in Luke’s Gospel Jesus conveys his message through food and banquets, moments of celebration. The Risen Christ brings compassion and joy into difficult spaces. Today let us share with Jesus the situations in our lives which need an injection of compassion and Easter joy.

‘Every year the dull and dead in us meets our Easter challenge: to be open to the unexpected, to believe beyond our security, to welcome God in every form, and trust in our own greening.’

(Joyce Rupp)

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Third Sunday of Easter

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