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24th April 2022

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

2nd SUNDAY OF EASTERTIME

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Sat 23 Apr	5.30 pm	St George's	Kath Keenan RIP
Sun 24 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	People of the Parish
	11.15 am	Holy Spirit	Patricia Brown RIP
	6.00 pm	St George's	Mary Morgan RIP, Anniv. 21 years
Mon 25 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	For all parishioners and their families who are not well and in need of our prayers.
Tue 26 Apr	9.30 am	St George	Priest's own intention. Mass of St George (transferred from 23 rd April.)
Wed 27 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	Jai Dewani for good health
Thu 28 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	Cynthia Augustus RIP, birthday memories
Fri 29 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	In thanksgiving, St Anthony
Sat 30 Apr	9.30 am	St George's	For the recently dead of the parish
	5.30 pm	St George's	Tom O'Reilly RIP
Sun 01 May	9.30 am	St George's	People of the Parish
	11.15 am	Holy Spirit	Priest's own intention
	6.00 pm	St George's	For all the dead of the war in the Ukraine.



HAPPY EASTER TO ALL: Thank you to all of you who have supported and prepared our church for Holy Week and Easter Liturgies. It was great to see more parishioners returning to join us. Also, thank you for all your lovely gifts. I hope you enjoyed a wonderful joy filled and blessed Easter break.

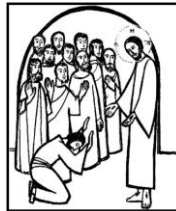
Fr Alan, Fr Peter & Fr Jude

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's reading from the Gospel of John, is proclaimed on the second Sunday of Easter in each of the three Sunday Lectionary cycles. This should alert us to the significance of the encounters with the resurrected Jesus described in this reading. This Gospel combines two scenes:

Part of the mystery of Jesus? Resurrection is that he appeared to his disciples not as a spirit but in bodily form. We do not know exactly what this form was like. Earlier in John's Gospel, when Mary of Magdala first encountered the risen Jesus, she did not recognise the figure standing before her until Jesus spoke her.

Thomas, the disciple who doubts, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of disciples. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. It is part of our human nature to seek hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death is, indeed, the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative who obtains this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who had died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed for we have not seen and yet have believed.



OUTREACH & MISSION

Refugees: A property has now been acquired by Derby Cares for a family, a project initiated by the Derby Deanery with parish support from Mariann and Phillip. We have offered to finance the furnishing of a child's bedroom. If you wish to give a small donation please hand to Fr Alan directly.

Food Bank: Thank you to all for your donations to support the food bank – your donations go to families in need.

Synod: Diocese of Nottingham Synodal Submission is now available and can be found on our parish website and the diocesan website.

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY ONLY: 10:15 – 10:45

SAINTS THIS WEEK:

Mon 25th April: St Mark, Evangelist

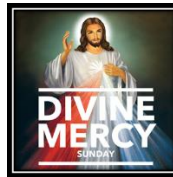
Fri 29th April: St Catherine of Siena, Virgin & Doctor of the Church, Patron of Europe

PRAY FOR THOSE WHO HAVE DIED:

Please pray for Mrs Una Parr who has died recently. Una's funeral service is at St Georges on Thursday 5th May at 10:30 am.

Also, Mrs Ellen Mitchell whose funeral will take place at St Georges on Friday 6th May at 12.00 noon.

Please pray for their families and may they rest in peace.



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Please join this Sunday 24th April at 3pm at St Georges Church to celebrate The Divine Mercy.

In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that

feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonisation of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000.

As in the prayers that form the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, there are three main themes to the Divine Mercy devotion: to ask for and obtain the mercy of God, to trust in Christ's abundant mercy, and finally to show mercy to others and act as a conduit for God's mercy towards them.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Join with Bishop Patrick on Pilgrimage to:

Melwood: Takes place on Saturday 7th May in honour of Saint Augustine Webster. The Rosary begins at 12.00noon on the road about 400m from the farm, and ends where Mass will be celebrated. Please bring a chair, and a picnic which can be eaten outside.

Beauvale: Takes place on Sunday 8th May at Beauvale Priory, New Road, Moorgreen, NG16 2AA, in honour of St John Houghton and St Robert Lawrence. Mass is celebrated at 3.30pm. For further information contact Fr Alan

Rodsley: Takes place on Sunday 26th June, assembling at the Corner Barn, Rodsley Crossroads at 3pm, and processing a short walk to the field for concelebrated Holy Mass at the birthplace of St Ralph Sherwin (DE6 3AP).

Walsingham: Takes place on Saturday 11th June at the National Shrine of Our Lady to pray for vocations, peace in our world, and evangelisation. The Derby Deanery Coach departs from St Hugh's in Borrowash at 7.45am (arrive for 7.30am) and leaves Walsingham at 5pm. Please remember to bring your "Picnic". To book a place, please put your name/s, email address, mobile number, emergency contact number and the name of your parish on a note in an envelope along with a cheque made payable to St Alban's RCP (Adults £20 & Children under 16 £13)

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please keep in your prayers our FHC children and their families. The programme is coming to an end in the next few weeks with FHC Mass on 14th May at 11:30. All parishioners are welcome to join us on the day. I extend my thanks to Sinead, Karan, Tammie and Mrs Mooney who have remained committed to the children and the programme for many years. Fr Alan.

