



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Christ's death was a credit of such infinite value that it not only paid for the debt due by fallen humanity to Divine Justice, but it also merited for men indescribable gifts of great price. This is why Holy Scripture attributes the salvation of the world to the Resurrection of Jesus Christ.

(Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading

Third Sunday of Easter

(15th April 2018)

Gospel – Luke 24:35-48

Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he had been made known to them in the breaking of the bread. While they were talking about this, Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." They were startled and terrified, and thought that they were seeing a ghost. He said to them, "Why are you frightened, and why do doubts arise in your hearts? Look at my hands and my feet; see that it is I myself. Touch me and see; for a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you see that I have." And when he had said this, he showed them his hands and his feet. While in their joy they were disbelieving and still wondering, he said to them, "Have you anything here to eat?" They gave him a piece of broiled fish, and he took it and ate in their presence. Then he said to them, "These are my words that I spoke to you while I was still with you—that everything written about me in the law of Moses, the prophets, and the psalms must be fulfilled." Then he opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, "Thus it is written, that the Messiah is to suffer and to rise from the dead on the third day, and that repentance and forgiveness of sins is to be proclaimed in his name to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses of these things.

Prayer for Vocations -

O God, you are the Lord of the harvest. We pray to you that men and women may hear the call of Christ your Son, to work in your vineyard. May they answer the call generously. May we, with them, serve you faithfully all our days so that your faithful people may grow in numbers and favour in your sight. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

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Week starting 7th April 2018 Second Sunday of Easter

IN THE PARISH

Easter Offerings – Many thanks for your generous donation of £2732.81 in support of your Rosminian Clergy.

Good Friday Collection – A total of £182.77 was collected for the upkeep of Holy Places. Thank you.

Next Week-end – Peter Spencer will be speaking after all Masses next week-end, appealing for more Volunteers for the RUG Group.

Feast Divine Mercy – this Sunday (8th) at 2:45p.m Divine Mercy Service led by Fr. Tom The service will include Chaplet, Reflection, Veneration of Divine Mercy Image, Benediction and Confessions, followed by light refreshments in the Coach House afterwards.

Children's Liturgy – There will be no Children's Liturgy this Sunday. Resumes on Sunday 22nd April.

Restoration Funds - total raised to date £92,300

Information - There are plans to change the Church lighting to LED as the present lights do not last very long and is quite expensive to keep bringing the electrician in to keep changing them. I am working with Tom Hargadon to get three company quotes and present them to the Finance Committee for approval.

Sound System - There have been a lot of suggestions regarding our sound system in the church, since it is not audible a lot of the time. I have called on the sound engineer numerous of times, to which he has always been very responsive. I have now asked him to look at updating the system in making it more audible. At the moment I am not sure of any costs involved. I will update you after his visit.

Stations of the Cross by the North Porch - cost of repair £1390+ VAT, Travel £180+VAT, two nights accommodation.

Hibbert's Chapel Ceiling Repair: £2800 + VAT, Travel cost £180+VAT, accommodation for two people over three nights, plus scaffolding hire costs.

I look forward to hear your suggestions and plans. Fr. Tom
Church Spire Restoration – We hope to finish the fundraising when we hit £100,000. Repairs are needed on our South Wall, Stations of the Cross, Chapel Ceiling, Lighting inside the Church, Boiler, Organ, and also Hibbert's. You can still sponsor Half a brick for £50, a Full brick for £100, or sponsor one Angel Wing for £750. The name of the sponsor can be added to the brick. **We need** as many Sponsors as possible. Thank you

Fundraising Event - this Friday (13th) at 7 p.m. in Church, Lively Sacred Music from the local Vamoosery Band followed by Tea and Cakes in Hibbert's Hall. Adults £5 Children £3, Tickets on sale after all Masses this week-end.

Fundraising Events:- Dates for your Diary.

Saturday 28th April - Slovakian Evening at 7pm

Friday 4th May- Ladies Night at 7pm

Liturgy Meeting – this Wednesday (11th) at 7 p.m. all those who are interested to offer their suggestions and recommendations are welcome to join at Gentili House.

Life Ascending – Meeting this Thursday (12th) after Mass in the Coach House. New members are very welcome.

Life Ascending - We will be having a Day of Recollection at Grace Dieu Lodge with Father Denis on Saturday 14 April. If anyone would like to join us you will be most welcome. Please contact Angela Harries on 817236 for more details.

Lent Lunches – A total of £693.50 was raised, to support Christian Aid and CAFOD Many thanks to everyone who took part and supported these events.

Welcome!

Have you joined us for the first time?

Please complete a card from the main porch and hand it to the clergy.

Come and meet other parishioners for coffee or tea in the Parish Hall after Sunday morning Mass

NB Please remember to inform the Parish Office if you move house or change your contact details.

Parish Office open from 09.00 – 12.30 on Tuesday Wednesday Thursday and Friday

UCM Mass - on Monday 30th April at 7 p.m. followed by a talk in the Coach house by Olivia Bowskill, who is the Community Engagement Manager for Myton Hospice. This is the charity our President Mary Hales has chosen for her year in office . Once again we would warmly welcome ladies from the Parish to join us.

Day of Reflection- is on Saturday, 21st April at the Rosmini Centre at Ratcliffe. We will be reflecting on - *Keeping your spirituality whilst following Christ in a Liberal Society and Witnessing Christ in the Parish Community.* Lunch will be a shared table and it would be good to share transport. If you would like to come please let Kathy know on 01788 891940 or email

kathyellen.smith56@gmail.com and please encourage others to join us. Thank you

The Gift of Years – Volunteer Training:- The Gift of Years Rugby, Volunteers work in residential care homes for older people offering pastoral care, visiting & befriending, worship and some activities. We will be running a training course for those interested on Tuesday evenings beginning on 1st May for 8 evenings until 19th June 7pm- 9pm. There is a **Celebration Supper-** on Tuesday 17th April in Hibbert's Hall for those who are interested. For more information please contact Lindsay Pelloquin on 07842993847or giftofyearsrugby@outlook.com

Winter Shelter - St Marie's hosted the Winter Shelter for our final night of this season on 26th /27th March. Overall the shelter helped 59 of Rugby's homeless population during the four months from December to March, with a grand total of around 1400 spaces filled in the seven venues. Many thanks to our own 44 volunteers who gave their time and energy to this annual venture. Kathy will be organising a get-together in the near future.

Rugby LIFE Shop - A huge thank you to the parishioner who put up our new fitting cubicle. It is already invaluable. Now, we need to find someone interested in doing **Portable Appliance Testing (PAT)** to help the Life shop on an approx. fortnightly basis. Please call in for a chat about it, or telephone Rugby 567435. **Full training will be given** as required and the volunteer will be based in our shop at 24 Sheep Street, Rugby. As ever our thanks and gratitude to the volunteers who go the extra mile to support the LIFE charity and the local shop.

Thank You - thank you to all who helped to prepare the Seder Meal. Gould Family Cooking, Angela Stretton for Baking and Angela and Lindsey for the Music. Mary Shoebrigde and team with all the Beautiful Flower Arrangements. Joanne Morgan and all in the Choir for the excellent Singing. Kathy Smith for arranging all the Readers and Ministers of Holy Communion. Readers were very good. A huge thank to all our Altar Servers and Sacristans for your help and support in the Celebration of Easter and all Liturgical Celebrations in the Parish. To all who Cleaned the Church. Thank you all.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

7th April - 14th April 2018

SATURDAY 7th April – Vigil for Second Sunday of Easter

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Edward & Ina McKenna R.I.P.

SUNDAY 8th April – Second Sunday of Easter

Mass at 10 a.m. for Stefan Peter and at 6.00 p.m. for Deceased Members of O'Driscoll Family R.I.P.

Confessions from 9.30 a.m. - 9.55 a.m.

Polish Mass at 12.30 p.m.

Coffee/Tea after 10 a.m. Mass in the Parish Hall

Parish Shop open in Coach House after 10 a.m Mass

MONDAY 9th April - Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

Mass at 10 a.m. for Danny Friel R.I.P.

NO 7.00 p.m. Mass

TUESDAY 10th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Mary Perks R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 11th April – Memorial of St Stanislaus

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Alfred Cooke R.I.P.

THURSDAY 12th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Intentions for Carmel & Eamon Reynolds

Choir Practice - 7:45 p.m. in Church.

FRIDAY 13th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Eileen McCormack R.I.

Requiem at 2 p.m. for Janet Doyle R.I.P.

SATURDAY 14th April - Easter Feria

Confessions 10 to 11a.m. and from 5.30 to 5.55p.m.

Mass at 9:30 a.m. for All Parishioners

Mass at 6 p.m. for Alelina D'Souza R.I.P.

✦ PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK: ✦

Tom Donnelly, Elsie Johnson, Jade Lambert, DeeDee Flint, Piotr Fior, John Ritter, Kerry Livesey, Paul Kelly, Patrick Hannifin, Baby Freddie Fereday, Bert Ritossa, Lenny and Marie Niner, William Hearne, Alfredo Valderroma, Octaovio Granja, Mary Mills,

✦ RECENTLY DIED ✦

Theresa Payne, Christopher Smith

✦ FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: ✦

Frederick Saunders, Theresa Kealey, Eileen McCormack, Margaret Fairey, Michael Hynes, Rona Clynes, Margaret Young, Alma Prymaka, Eileen Hamill, Christopher Beards, Lucy Thackray