



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Cut off from Christ, man is dead in relation to the life of grace, which is his ultimate end. If he is one with Christ, he receives from Christ His supernatural life, and attains the fullness of life (Antonio Rosmini)

Next Week's Gospel Reading Fourth Sunday of Easter (22nd April 2018)

Gospel – John 10:11-18

“I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep. The hired hand, who is not the shepherd and does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and runs away—and the wolf snatches them and scatters them. The hired hand runs away because a hired hand does not care for the sheep. I am the good shepherd. I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father. And I lay down my life for the sheep. I have other sheep that do not belong to this fold. I must bring them also, and they will listen to my voice. So there will be one flock, one shepherd. For this reason the Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me, but I lay it down of my own accord. I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again. I have received this command from my Father.”

Prayer for the Parish -

Almighty God, Who governs all things in heaven and earth, mercifully hear the supplications of your people. Grant to our parish all things needful for its spiritual welfare and, through the guidance of Your Holy Spirit, may we be of one heart and mind in the fold of Your Holy Church. To the honour and glory of Your Name. Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Prayer for Vocation -

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 14th April 2018 **Third Sunday of Easter** IN THE PARISH

Sunday Collections - Thank you for last Sunday's offertory collection which amounted to £1201.71

This Week-end – Peter Spencer will be speaking after all Masses this week-end, appealing for more Volunteers for the RUG Group. **RUG Meeting** - at Gentili House this Tuesday (17th) at 7pm.

Next Week-end – Second Collection will be for the Clergy Training Fund, please give generously.

Next Sunday- is also Vocations Sunday.

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

Restoration Funds - total raised to date **£94,700**

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 and Mike Borg to get three 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. The Sound Engineer has always been very responsive to the many call outs. 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

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

The Gift of Years – Volunteer Training:- 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- this Tuesday (17th) in Hibbert's Hall** for those who are interested. For more information please contact Lindsay Pelloquin on 07842993847 or giftofyearsrugby@outlook.com

Slovakian Evening – Saturday 28th April Tickets on sale after Sunday Masses.

Ladies Only, Fancy Dress Night - on Friday 4th May at 7 p.m. in Hibbert's Hall Tickets £10 with food included. Music plus open bar. Tickets on sale after all Masses.

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

Princethorpe College - Public Speaking Competition this Sunday (15th) at 2 p.m organised by the Catenians. Refreshments and a chance to tour grounds and visit chapel. All are welcome.

Fundraising Events:- Dates for your Diary.

Saturday 28th April - Slovakian Evening at 7pm

Friday 8th June – Music, Dance & Food at Harries School Hall.

Saturday 14th July – Summer Market 10 a.m. - 2p.m.

Day of Reflection- is next 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

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.

Winter Shelter - St Marie's hosted the Winter Shelter for our final night of this season on 26th /27th March. Many thanks to our own 44 volunteers who gave their time and energy to this annual venture. Get together is on the 11th of May in Hibbert's Hall.

St Marie's 500 Club - The April draw winners are **[1]41 at £30; [2]2 at £20; [3]223 at £10**. Cheques on their ways to the three winners, with warm thanks to all of you for your continued support. Any queries to Margaret on 541705.

Volunteers needed for St Cross - Volunteers are needed to visit wards on Tuesday mornings. Also to work within a new project based at Myton Hospice on a Monday called 'Breath Easy in Rugby'. This is a project for people with breathing problems i.e. COPD. It offers support, socialisation and mutual support for patients; this is led by the chaplaincy team. Please use my contact details below if you need any further information, Direct Line 02476967515 (ext.27515) Bleep 2133 e mail: paul.holmes@uhcw.nhs.uk

Parish Priest Diary -

Fr. Tom will be away to visit his sister from Wednesday 18th April to Thursday 3rd May. He will also be away for a retreat in Ireland from Sunday 6th May to Saturday 12th May.

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

14th April - 21st April 2018

SATURDAY 14th April – Vigil for Third Sunday of Easter

Confessions 5.30 to 5.55 p.m.

Mass at 6.00 p.m. for Alelina D'Souza R.I.P.

SUNDAY 15th April – Third Sunday of Easter

Mass at 10 a.m. Private Intentions for Mark Deery and at 6.00 p.m. for Tomothy O'Driscoll 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 16th April – Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Audrey Foulds R.I.P. and at

7.00 p.m. for Bernadette Ward R.I.P.

Adoration 8 a.m. -7 p.m. in the church. (Morning Prayer at 8:50am)

TUESDAY 17th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Pat & Gwen Lynch R.I.P.

WEDNESDAY 18th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10.00 a.m. for Well-Being of Edie Croucher

Funeral Service 1 p.m. John Steven Maloney R.I.P.

THURSDAY 19th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Owen Duffy R.I.P.

Requiem 11:30 a.m. Mel Cahill R.I.P.

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

FRIDAY 20th April - Easter Feria

Mass at 10 a.m. for Eddie Lewandowski R.I.P.

Requiem 10:45 a.m. Andre Couloute R.I.P.

SATURDAY 21st 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 Shirley Deery 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 †

John Steven Maloney

† FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME: †

Lilian Kiely, Martin Murphy, Mary Morgan, Patricia Kummerlowe, May Moyney, Lucy Thackray, Bridget McGrath, Jerzy Borowski, Edward Lewandowski