

MASSES AND SERVICES

Solemnity of the Resurrection of the Lord – 20th April 2025

This weekend the collection is your Easter offering to the Parish Priest.

Saturday	8.30pm	Easter Vigil	People of the Parish
Sunday	8.45am	Rita Cummins	RIP (Moroney family)
	10.30am	Cathy MacLeod	RIP Anniv (MH)

Weekday Masses & Services

21.4 Mon	10.00am	Easter Monday	Priestly and Religious vocations in our parish and schools (R&J G)
22.4 Tue	11.30am	Requiem Mass Patrick Doyle	RIP
23.4 Wed	10.00am	Easter Wednesday	Mary & Stuart Spencer Int (MH)
24.4 Thu	10.00am	Easter Thursday	Judith Wilson RIP, Sr Mary Lyons wellbeing (MH)
25.4 Fri	10.00am	Easter Friday	Thanksgiving (MW)
26.4 Sat	10.00am	Easter Saturday	Edward & Gweneth McAuley RIP (MM)

Second Sunday of Easter – 27th April 2025

This weekend the collection will be for the Church Maintenance Fund

Saturday	5.30pm	Rosemary Secules	RIP (Musgrave family)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish	
	10.30am	Isabel Cusack	RIP (MH)

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Saturday 9am-9.50am,
Rosary – Monday to Friday 9.35am Saturday 10.30am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	M Fitzpatrick	A Robinson	
Next week	R Price	S Simpson-Heath	
READERS	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
This week	TBA	TBA	TBA
Next week	B May	G Seymour	M Heap

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Jubilee Year 2025 Pilgrims of Hope

Easter Sunday 20th April



Dear Parishioners,

Today is Easter Sunday and we celebrate the Resurrection of Jesus from the dead. This event took place to the amazement of the apostles and disciples who we know were uncertain it would happen. Jesus had told them of it but having seen Jesus dying on the cross and placed in a tomb their minds had followed the logic of the way things are. Jesus was dead, their hopes and dreams went into the tomb with him. It was all over.

From the silence of death came first the light in the darkness, this was the light of life itself. It is the light which brings life. In the story of the creation of the world and in our lives too we understand the significance of the light. As the sun rises, the dark of night disappears. The light brings the hope of a new day. It fills us with joy and after a long night, it is a relief to see the light once more.

The resurrection of Jesus from the dead is at the very heart of our faith. The birth of Jesus was when he entered our world for the purpose of our salvation. He gave us his word and his life as he followed the will of God and the resurrection from the dead was the moment when he gave us eternal life. In Baptism we rise from the dead with him. Our life and our Baptism is the light of Christ rising from the dead, giving us the gift of true life. Christ Jesus gives us everything we need to enter into the fullness of his gift of life. It is this gift which we celebrate on Easter Day and every Sunday. Sunday is the day of the resurrection. This is why Sunday always takes precedence. Nothing is more important than remembering the sacrifice of Christ at our Sunday Mass. This is when the church (the Body of Christ), that is you and me, is manifested to the world by our unity of presence and prayer. Our hope is the invitation of Christ to be with him in paradise. Christ Jesus has risen from the dead.

Alleluia ! Alleluia ! Alleluia !

There is an Easter card for everyone. Please take one. My gift to you.

Every Blessing,

Fr John

Your Easter Offering is greatly appreciated. There are extra envelopes in the narthex.

Thank you: To all who participated and contributed to the Lent, Holy Week and Easter Services. There are too many people to thank individually. We could not do it without your generosity, your talent and self-sacrifice.

Counters: Thank you to the five people who volunteered, we could still do with three more, the list is in the narthex.

SVP Lent Appeal for Toiletries & Cleaning Products: Many thanks to everyone who has supported this initiative and so far we have received over 600 items which is fantastic and they have been sent to St Vincents school in Nechells and also some to St Chads Sanctuary. We had a great response for cleaning products over the last couple of weeks and for our final push perhaps we could switch back primarily, but not exclusively, to toiletries if possible please. Whilst Easter and the end of Lent will shortly be upon us we will be having our final delivery to St Vincents w/c 28/4, when the school return from their Easter break, so if you fancy continuing on until then, then please feel free to do so! Thank you again for your very generous support.

Congratulations to our 200 Club Winners:

January winners: £15 each to A Turner, D Williams and B May.

February winners: £15 each to R Bishop, S McGill, A P Scott.

March winners: £50 to N Robinson and £15 each to T Lester, D Walker and P McGeever.

Cheques can be collected from the sacristy.

Makes me smile (Double the usual number as promised last week!)

Quite a few French words have found their way into the English language. There's "hors d'oeuvres" for starters.

Have you read the book called "Fear of the Sunlight" by Gladys Knight?

My mate just phoned to say he has changed his name to 'Spinal Column'. I said, "Can I call you back?"

I visited a beekeeper to buy a dozen bees. The beekeeper gave me 13 bees. I asked why 13 bees? "The thirteenth bee is a freebee," he said.

I went to the dentist. After examining my teeth he said, "there's something wrong with your taste bud." Concerned, I said, "what is wrong with it?" So he said, "well for starters those shoes are hideous!"

What do you call someone with a nose but no body? Nobody knows.

I broke my arm on a plane. It was only an airline fracture

Congratulations A, Congratulations B, Congratulations C. Congratulations are in order.

Which singer sends you to sleep? Celine d'yawn.

I am writing a story about a tornado. At the moment it is just a draft.

Did you hear about the man who bought a sleeping bag? He spent 2 hours trying to wake it up.

A man rushes into a hardware shop and asks for a mousetrap .”Can you hurry please because I have to catch a bus.” Sales assistant. “I’m sorry sir but our traps are not that big!” At Heathrow airport the check-in assistant asked. “Has anyone put anything into your bag without your knowledge?” I answered, “If anything was put in my bag without my knowledge how would I know?”

I bought a baby frog and decided to do a DNA test. It turned out to be mostly French, a little Irish, a trace of German and a tad Pole.

Pioneering plastic surgeons managed to restore a man’s severed ear using material from a pig. After the surgery the man’s ear was near perfect although he said on occasion there was a little crackling.

I have a fear of giants. Doctors have diagnosed me with “Feefiphobia.”

“Remember the importance of Easter,” said the Archbishop of Cadbury.

“Incorrectly” is the only word in the English language which even when spelled correctly, spells incorrectly.

I said to the taxi driver, King Arthur’s Close. He said, “Don’t worry we can lose him at the next set of lights!”

Two fish in a tank. One says to the other, “How are we going to drive this?”

(All Easter Gift donations gratefully received .Fr.J !)

✠ *Please pray for*

The housebound & the sick: Deacon Stephen Saum, Jeremy Hawker, Janet Zora, Arthur Uzell, Fr. Michael White, Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove and Jesse Cusack Morris, as well as parishioners in nursing homes and hospital.

Recently deceased: Ann-Marie Grimley RIP

Pat Doyle RIP. His Requiem Mass will be on Easter Tuesday 22nd April at 11.30am.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Winnifred Lauze, Joan White, Sharon Kilmurray, Julia Mullen, Norah Egerton. *May the souls of the faithful departed, Rest in Peace.*

Offertory: 13.4.25: Gift Aid Envelopes £320, Loose Plate £256.

Easter Flowers: £274.

Av standing order and online per week £620. Many thanks for your support.

Mass Attendances last Sunday: 226.

Parish Centre News. Timetable for next week on the noticeboard. If you are having a family occasion, please consider booking our hall for your venue. **It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846-963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Sandy Walmsley and Daphne Morgan. They can be contacted at: sg.stgeorge-steresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern.