MASSES AND SERVICES

21st April - Fourth Sunday of Easter

This weekend there will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund

Saturday 5.30pm Michael & Eveleen McDermott Sunday 8.45am People of the Parish

10.30am Peter Niblett (DN)

4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Quiet Hour.

Weekday Services

22.4 Mon 10.00am Easter Feria Annie McLynsky (P&M W)

23.4 Tue 10.00am St George Patron & Martyr People of the Parish

24.4 Wed 10.00am Easter Feria Rupert Bentley (EMB)
25.4 Thu 10.00am St Mark Nora Daniels RIP (MH)
26.4 Fri 10.00am Easter Feria Con Allen RIP (D&T K)
27.4 Sat 10.00am Easter Feria Michael Clucas (JG)

28th April - Fifth Sunday of Easter

This weekend there will be a Second collection for the Church Maintenance Fund

Saturday 5.30pm Carolyn Johanson (MM) Sunday 8.45am Catherine Helen RIP

10.30am D'Lurdes Leal RIP (B&P S)

4.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament – Quiet Hour.

Exposition Sunday 4pm – 5pm
Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am
Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am
Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This weekM WilkesP WilkesNext weekD MorganP Hogan

 READERS
 5.30pm
 8.45am
 10.30am

 This week
 B May
 G Moroney Barnett
 R Slater

 Next week
 T Hart
 J Smith
 J McDonald

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum, Rev Dr Subhi Zora. Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean,
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Head of School Stephen Hainie. Executive Head Louise Flanagan

ST. GEORGE & ST. TERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH DORRIDGE

21st April 2024 Fourth Sunday of Easter

Dear Parishioners,

Today is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations and there is a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund. Perhaps this is a good day to remember Fr Bob Devaney in our prayers who offered his life in the service of the Lord and trained for the priesthood after many years of life as a teacher, also as a member of the SVP. He is now Parish Priest of St Anne's in Stafford. As a parish we are blessed by the ministry of the parish clergy: priests, deacons and not forgetting our former PP Emeritus, retired but still active with the Ethnic Chaplaincy. The Columban Fathers based at Widney Manor Road have priests and lay people working in missions across the world. Even so we should not rest on our laurels. The diocese is facing a challenging time. As the number of active priests declines, the ability to keep churches open becomes difficult. Working together with our neighbouring parishes to support each other is preferable to closing churches. This is the current conversation we are having with them. We need more labourers in the vineyard and the Holy Spirit seems to be calling you, the parishioners, to become more involved in the life of the Church. The call to serve is addressed to us all.

We welcome the children and parents of Year Three who gather for their First Holy Communion enrolment Mass at 10 30am

On Tuesday 23rd we shall celebrate the Feast of St George, Co-Patron Saint of our Church and School. Please come to celebrate this 10am Mass with four classes of the older children from our school.

Every Blessing, Fr John

Christian Aid Week 12-18th May 2024

Fancy some light exercise?

Envelope distributors required.

For many years St George & St Teresa's has assisted in this appeal within the area of Knowle, Dorridge and Bentley Heath Churches Together. In recent years we have had dwindling numbers of volunteers willing to help with the distribution of these envelopes, so John Murray and I are asking for extra help with this. There is no need to return to collect the envelopes as donors are requested to give online, or to return to one of several local collection points. To volunteer, or for more information either contact John Murray, or phone or text me on 07768 775066 with your details. Very many thanks for your assistance with this appeal. Deacon Stephen.

New Offertory Envelopes: The boxes of envelopes for the 2024/25 financial year which are available in the narthex will be removed after this weekend. If you have not already done so then please take your box. Any queries, please contact Joan & Tony Tayor: qa.stgeorge-stteresa.dorridge@rcaob.org.uk

Catenian Public Speaking Competition: Two year 12 pupils from St Peter's took part in the recent Catenian provincial Public Speaking competition held at Birmingham Newman University for students of our Catholic schools - both students spoke exceptionally well. The competition was won by a girl from Bishop Milner Catholic College in Dudley who will now go forward to compete in the National final held in Manchester.

FREE Bible Alive magazines will be available this weekend. Please take a no obligation copy if you would like to try reading the Bible daily.

"If there is anything in this life that sustains a wise person and helps to maintain serenity amid tribulations and adversities of the world, it is first and foremost I believe the meditation on and knowledge of the scriptures." (St. Jerome.)

If you would like a copy of the magazine and there are none left, please put your name and contact details on the sheet in the Narthex. If, you wish to join an informal discussion group about the magazine, please leave your name and contact details on the same sheet.

Job Vacancies

Class Teacher for September 20204 Our Lady of the Wayside Catholic Primary, Shirely. Purchase Ledger Clerk Our Lady and All Saints Catholic Multi Academy Company. All year full-time 37 hours per week Monday to Friday (Part time and term time plus will also be considered) Band C £24,702-£27,334. Required as soon as possible.

ARE YOU New to the parish or have you changed any of your contact details? Please complete a form for the parish records.

Piety Stall: What would you like to see on sale? Please tell us and we can probably get it for you. Fill in the Feedback Form with name and contact details.

Made me smile!.....

I went to the doctor today and told him I had got some cutlery stuck in my throat. It's not serious he said. You'll need to have utensils taken out.

The Great Britain Fencing Team have pulled out of the Olympics, they have run out of creosote.

I see the Amazon billionaire has left his wife... on the porch behind the pot plant.

I am currently reading a book about DIY house Building. by Bill Jerome.

I went to the library and asked if there were any books on self help? "Look for yourself," said the assistant.

I have booked an appointment with the doctor because of my obsession with supermarkets. I thought I'd better get it checked out.

Stan Wellbeck was the world's first crowd control officer.

I have been having trouble getting to sleep. The doctor said, "lie near the edge – you'll soon drop off".

Once in Moscow I was stung by a dodgy looking wasp. I now know it was a cagey bee.

The man who invented predictive text has died. His funeral will be tomato.

The man who invented the snooze button has died. His funeral will be at 7.10am, 7.15am, 7.20, 7.25 and 7.30.

The person who invented the USB stick has died. They lowered his coffin into the ground, then they raised it, turned it around and tried again.

I've just finished reading a book called "Fear of Sunlight." By Gladys Knight.

Did you hear about the popular weather forecaster who was sacked. No more mist & ice guy.

Offertory: 14.4.24: Mass Attendance last weekend 220.

Gift Aid Envelopes £365, Loose Plate £217. Av standing order and online p.w. - £680. Many thanks for your generosity.

Please pray for

For those who housebound or unwell: Tony Parsons, Rod Goodman, Dr John Martin, Joe Stephens, Michael Grosvenor, Dorothy Perkins, Jill Baynham, Pat McGeever, Matthew Gallagher, Jane Cotter, Margaret Cosgrove, Sheila Randall. as well as our parishioners in hospital and nursing homes.

Recently Deceased: William Linehan RIP

His funeral will be on Friday 10th May at 11.30am and at Woodlands Crematorium at 1pm.

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: Joan White, Julia Mullen, Norah Egerton. *May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.*

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-stteresa.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.