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• PARISH DEACON **Rev. Peter Crosby**

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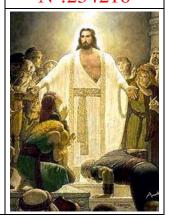
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DATESunday 14th April 2024

SUNDAY Third Sunday of Easter Year B

DIVINE OFFICE Week 3

Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.

Saturday 13 th April 1 st Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Reg & Mary Benton RIP (AW)
Sunday 14 th April Third Sunday of Easter Year B	9:30am	People of the Parish
<u>Monday 15th April</u> Easter Feria		No Services Today
<u>Tuesday 16th April</u> Easter Feria		No Services Today
Wednesday 17 th April Easter Feria	4:30pm	Reception into church: Bill Baxendale
<u>Thursday 18th April</u> Easter Feria	11:00am	Requiem Mass: Bill Baxendale
<u>Friday 19th April</u> Easter Feria		No Services Today
Saturday 20 th April Easter Feria		No Morning Services Today
(1 st Mass of Sunday)	6:00pm	People of the Parish
Sunday 21 st April Fourth Sunday of Easter Year B	9:30am	Rita Bigongiari _{RIP (1st Ann)} (RB)

Pope Francis

The joy of the Resurrection is ours, because it was given to us on the day of our Baptism. May we embrace the joy of this Easter Season! Let us hasten to seek out the Risen Christ in the Eucharist, in His forgiveness, in prayer, and in charitable deeds.



We pray for a resurrection for the Church in the many countries around the world, where she is being crushed and trampled down by persecution.

Wednesday Friends

The next meeting of the Wednesday Friends takes place this Wednesday, 17th **April**, at 10:00am in the Parish Meeting Room. Come along for a hot cup of tea/coffee and a warm slice of buttered toast. Why not come along? You will be made most welcome!

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Bill Baxendale**, **John Morris**, **Mary Brough** and **Catherine Baker** on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy. May they rest in peace.

Bill will be received into church at **4:30pm** on **Wednesday**. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated at **11am** on **Thursday** prior to interment at Oscott Cemetery.

Date for Your Diary

Our Spring Fayre will be on Saturday 11th May. We would be most grateful for any **new** unwanted items suitable for the Tombola, and also seedlings that you've grown you are able to donate to the Fayre.

Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for April is:-For the role of women. We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

Yvonne Turner, Tony Meehan, Marian Mathews, Marie Wilson, Ian Phipps, Sister Ann-Marie, Oscar Wordsworth, Nichola Woodhall, Paul Corbett, Carmel Fekete, Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Margaret Davis, Joe Bannister, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Luke Smith. Catherine Shepherd, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Anna Morgan Meehan, Holly Brady, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

Please remember also in your prayers those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them, that the Lord may grant them His healing and peace.

Craft & Natter

We meet every Tuesday from 11am to 3pm in the Parish Meeting Room. All are welcome to come along to join in the crafting or simply for some company and a chat. 50p per session for materials & tea/coffee. Stay for the morning, the afternoon or for the whole day, just remember to bring your lunch. For more information call Christine on 07900 604902.

Safeguarding Notice

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Mr. Gerry Wintrip. Gerry can be contacted at: sg.smota.aldridge@rcaob.org.uk or the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted at safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk or on 0121 230 6240 if you have any concerns.

Walsall Life

Walsall Life, are in urgent need of a baby cot. If you have one that you no longer require, please contact Ann on 01922 451124. Thanking you in anticipation of you generosity.

Journey in Faith

We meet on **Mondays** at **6:30pm** during Term-Time in the Parish Meeting Room. This course is open to all members of the parish interested in learning more about the faith, and the teachings of the Church. Coming along to these sessions not only helps us to grow in our faith, but it is also an opportunity to support those who are preparing to be received into the Church this Pentecost.

Diocesan Thanksgiving Mass for Marriage

An invitation is extended to married couples celebrating a milestone anniversary, and to those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St. Chad's Cathedral. This Mass will be celebrated by His Grace the Archbishop at 12noon on Saturday 4th May. If you intend to go to this Mass please register you attendance by visiting: https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/E vent/join-the-diocesan-thanksgivingmass-for-marriage-2024



Children's Liturgy takes place every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. At the start of Mass the children will be invited to go out to the Meeting Room for their liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

Missio – Red Boxes

Could those who have a Red Mission Box in their care please empty them and let Sue W have the monies. If you have a Red Box and it has not been emptied for a while please contact Sue W on 01922 457247. Thank you.

Congratulations

We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **David** and **Lindsay** who were joined together in Holy Matrimony on Friday here at St. Mary of the Angels. We pray that God will continue to strength and sustain them with His grace as they begin their new life together.

Sunday Coffee Mornings

After the 9:30am Mass on Sundays we have our weekly coffee morning in the Parish Meeting Room. Do come along and enjoy some important community social time together. We would love to see you there.

Second Collection

Next weekend, $20^{\text{th}}/21^{\text{st}}$ April, there will be a retiring collection for the Clergy Training Fund. This important annual collection enables the Archdiocese to train men for the Priesthood and the Diaconate. It costs £30,000 per year to train a priest so please be a generous as you can to support this important work for the future of the Archdiocese

Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.



Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptis mal-enquiries.html Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation is:

7pm Tuesday 4th June

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 13 TH /14 TH April 2024		
6:00PM VIGIL MASS	READERS:	John H & Brian L
9:30am Sung Mass	MUSIC:	Folk Group
	READERS:	Alice G & Christine L
Duties During the Week: 15 TH – 20 TH April 2024		
CLEANERS:	Team D	
FLOWERS:	Helen A	
PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 20 TH /21 ST April 2024		
<u>6:00pm Vigil Mass</u>	WELCOMERS:	Mavie & Krystal B
	WARDENS:	Peter H
	READERS:	Gerry W & Cathy S
<u>9:30am Sung Mass</u>	MUSIC:	Choir
	WELCOMERS:	Rod & Joan L
	WARDENS:	John O'N & Elaine A
	READERS:	Helen C & Will B
COFFEE:	The Service Family	

And finally:-. A few weeks ago, in his Pastoral Letter, His Grace the Archbishop spoke of his desire that each Deanery of the Archdiocese should establish a 'Deanery Pastoral Council'. For many years the Walsall Deanery had an 'Area Pastoral Council' which helped the clergy in the decision making, and also arranged events such as the Eucharistic procession through the streets of Walsall. For several months now the clergy of the newly established Walsall and Lichfield Deanery have been discussing the reestablishment of this council. Each parish has been asked to provide two representatives who would be willing to serve as members. It is envisaged that there will only be two or three meetings per year and one AGM. Its work will be to help the clergy to co-ordinate work amongst the parishes of the Deanery, and to help forward the Diocesan Pastoral Vision. I am therefore asking for two volunteers who would be willing to join in this important work. If you would like to join please could you see me as soon as is possible.

May God bless you all, Fr. Craig