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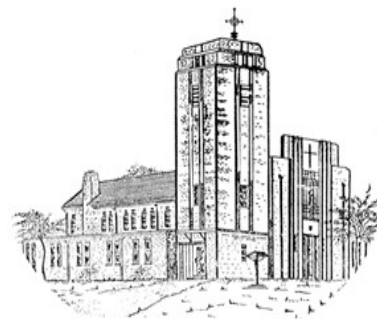
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Parish in the care of the Fathers and
Brothers of The Sacred Heart of Jesus



**THIRD SUNDAY OF
EASTER
YEAR B**

**17th April to 25th April
2021**

**Welcome to this House
of God:**

**Talk to God before Mass
Listen to God during Mass
Talk to others after Mass**

**Today's Mass
Readings**

Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19;

Ps 4; 1 John 2: 1-5;

Luke 24:35-48

SHARING AND LIVING OUR EASTER EXPERIENCE

On the third Sunday of Easter, we continue to hear about Jesus' appearances to his disciples following his Resurrection. In these appearances, Jesus consistently greets his disciples with the words, "**Peace be with you.**" This would be a most appropriate greeting for them as they have witnessed the death of someone they loved and now they fear for their own lives. Peace is what they need more than anything else at this moment. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift - that of forgiveness. This connection is made evident in the final verses of today's Gospel Reading.

After experiencing his risen body with their senses and seeing the marks of crucifixion, peace begins to take root in their hearts. This peace helps them to turn their fears to joy and amazement. They are now strengthened with a strong sense of purpose and meaning which sends them out to the world as witnesses to the Resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ. The disciples were sent out to announce the Good News of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.

Like the disciples in the Gospel story, each one of us has our own personal Easter experience in our lives in different ways at different times. As witnesses of Jesus' Resurrection, what are we to say to the world? What precisely are we witnessing to?

Fr. Vincent Arulandhu SCJ

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GIFT AID ENVELOPES FOR THIS YEAR

We would like to say a sincere thank you to all those who Gift Aid their Offertory Donations. Last year's tax refund was £5866.19 It is a great financial support to our parish. We encourage parishioners who pay tax to Gift Aid your offertory donations. We also encourage people to set up a standing order as this is easier for everyone. To set up a Standing Order and to Gift Aid please collect an application form from the Parish Office. Those parishioners who Gift Aid via the envelop boxes can now collect them from the Parish Office. Many thanks for your support to our parish.

RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember **Margaret Stella Floyd, Margaret Abbott, Mary Lynch** and all those who have died recently. We also remember Vincent Capella, Julia Creegan, Jeremiah Cooney, Marie Flanagan, Philip Davies, Theresa Toner, Jack Lacey, Roger Fahy, Ben Dunne, Eleanor Riseborough, Michael White, Penelope Brennan, Reginald Bell, Herbert Lord, Joan Crawford and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Requiem Mass for Margaret Stella Floyd is on Monday 19th April 2021 here in Church at 11:00am followed by Cremation at Sandwell Valley Crematorium 12:15pm.

Requiem Mass for Mary Lynch is on Tuesday 20th April 2021 here in Church at 1:30pm followed by Burial at Heath Lane Cemetery 3:15pm.

MASS INTENTIONS

Thank you for your generous offerings for Mass Intentions for your family and friends. As we now have a large number booked, we would ask you to consider sending some of your intentions to support our retired priests in England, particularly Fr Tom Kelly, or our Mission in India. We understand that it is important for you to know when a Mass is being offered, but like this you would also be helping the work of the Church in other ways. Please indicate your choice on the Mass Intentions Envelopes. Thank you for your co-operation and support.

WALK WITH ME BOOKLET FOR EASTER

The "Walk with Me" booklets and calendar for the Easter Season are still available in the Church Porch. A small donation is appreciated to defray the cost. Please consider taking a copy for yourself. Many thanks.

This Week Saturday 17th April – Sunday 25th April (Psalter Week 3)	Holy Mass & Services	Other Events
Saturday 17th April Easter Feria	12:30pm Raymond Pearson RIP	
Sunday 18th April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER	8:30am Marie Flanagan RIP 10:30am Philip Davies RIP	
Monday 19th April Easter Feria	11:00am Requiem Mass for Margaret Floyd	
Tuesday 20th April Easter Feria	1:30pm Requiem Mass for Mary Lynch	
Wednesday 21st April Easter Feria	11:30am Ellen King RIP	
Thursday 22nd April Easter Feria	10:00am Festy Connelly	
Friday 23rd April SOLEMNITY OF ST GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND	11:30am Ellen King RIP	2:00pm First Reconciliation Service for Holy Name School Children
Saturday 24th April Easter Feria	12:00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12:30pm Ints of Fiona Mahon and Family	3:30pm First Holy Communion Commitment Mass for St Mark's School Children
Sunday 25th April FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Vocation Sunday Retiring Collection for the Clergy Training Fund.	8:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8:30am Margaret Fitzgerald 10:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 10:30am Linda Concannon RIP	

**Last week's
Offertory
Collection:**

**Gift Aid Envelopes:
£ 123.00**

**Loose Money:
£408.10**

**Standing order for
February: £1388.17**

**Mass Attendance
Last Sunday: 168**

**Thank you for
supporting your
Parish.**



**Next Sunday's
Mass Readings:**

Acts 4:8-12; Ps 117;
1 John 3:1-2;
John 10:11-18

PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Mary Arulandhu, Bernie Mortlock, Audrey Clewlow, Catherine Freeman, Carmen Mulholland, Denise Watson, Teresa Goddard, Arthur Harding, Stephen Hurley, Bridget Green, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Sr Annie Enright, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Rose Bohan, Joan Rawlings, Sheila Shearon and Bridget Whitfield.

SINCERE THANK YOU

Having completed our Easter celebration this year, I would like to express my heartfelt gratitude to everyone in our parish community for your Easter cards, Easter Offerings, prayers, presents, support and help. I wish you and your families all the blessings and the joys of the Easter Season. I would like to offer **SINCERE THANKS** to the groups and individuals like Altar Servers, Readers and Flower Ladies. In particular this year, my appreciations and huge thanks go to the Stewards for their time, support and help in celebrating the Feast of Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ safely and meaningfully. **Fr. Vincent SCJ.**

DAY OF PRAYER & ADORATION BEFORE THE BLESSED SACRAMENT FOR VOCATIONS

Ever year in February, we used to organize a Day of Prayer & Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament for Vocations. Due to Pandemic this year we could not do it. The Forth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. This day is designated as a World Day of Prayer for Vocations. On that Weekend we are organizing a Day of prayer and Adoration for Vocations. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on the main Altar on Saturday 24th April at 12 noon and on Sunday 25th at 8:00am and 10:00am. The intention of this prayer initiative is to promote and pray for vocations to the Priesthood, the Permanent Diaconate and to the Religious life.

PIETY STALL

The Piety Stall is still closed but cards and gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation are available from the Parish Office during office hours. Other cards are also available for different occasions.