

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 20TH APRIL TO 28TH APRIL 2024

### HOLY NAME OF JESUS

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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 4:8-12; Ps 117; 1 John 3:1-2; John 10:11-18 Page 134

### **Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ**

Sheep need shepherds. The world looks for someone to lead, because we need someone to lead us. We need someone that we trust to lead us, as a nation and all around the world. First of all, sheep are "flock animals." They like to be together. They tend to spend a lot of time together, and they find a lot of benefit from being together. It is very obvious from the Scripture that God's plan for us is to be together. The first thing Jesus does when he begins his ministry, is to call a group of disciples together. The early church – after Jesus is crucified and raised – spent a lot of time together. We gather together as a Church in the name of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Sheep are very good at hearing, especially the voice of their shepherd. In the midst of all chaos and competing voices, the sheep would hear their shepherd's voice and follow their shepherd. That is what we are supposed to do, too. There are plenty of competing voices like voices from our TVs, our computers, our phones and tablets, and on and on. But there is only one voice that truly matters to our soul. And that is the voice of the shepherd, the voice of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Sheep are natural followers. It is their shepherd who leads them. Jesus just keeps calling us, in many and various ways, and inviting us over and over to follow him. He promises to lead us, to protect us, and even to lay down his life for us. We are his sheep flocking together, listening for his voice, and following him. He promises to lead us all the days of our life, through the trials and tribulations and whatever this world brings to us.

Fr.Jibu Mathew

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### PRAY FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS

Annette Keates, Arthur Lynch, Anis Kazmie, Brendan Grogan, Bernie Mortlock, Catherine Freeman, Claire Harbutt, Carmen Mulholland, Christine Enid and John King, Joyce Finch, June Pountney, Henry Miller, Mary Arulandhu, Teresa Goddard, Bridget Green, Haydee Stanton, Linda Lowe, Jackie Tammam, Janet Chamberlain, Rudolf and Irene Sampays, Grace Sharron, Bridget Whitfield and Patricia Lacey.

### RECENTLY DEAD AND ANNIVERSARIES

Please remember Christine McGivern, Alice Doris, John Connors and all those who have died recently. We also remember Eleanor Riseborough, Michael White, Penelope Brennan, Reginald Bell, Herbert Lord, Joan Crawford, Elizabeth Ibbotson, Patrick Pritchard, James Gardner, Betty Bacon, Josephine Moore, Francis Clarke, Linda Concannon, and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

John Connors Passed away on Sunday 14th April 2024 More details regarding funeral to follow.

### **VOCATIONS SUNDAY 2024**

The Second collection 20th /21st April is for the Clergy Training Fund which helps to pay for the formation of future priests and deacons for our Archdiocese for more information, or to donate online: www.vocations.org.uk

### RESPONDING TO THE CALL OF CREATION

Copies of the April Newsletter are on the Church notice Board. For more information from the Diocese please contact: climateaction@rcaob.org.uk

### CHILDREN LITURGY

St. Mark's School will also lead a separate Liturgy for young Children to be held in the Parish Centre next Sunday 10:30am.



This Week Saturday 20th April – Sunday 28th April (Psalter Week 4)	Holy Mass Intentions	Devotions & Other Events
Saturday 20th April Easter Feria	12:30pm Michael White RIP	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 21st April FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER RETIRING COLLECTION FOR CLERGY TRAINING FUND	8:30am Holy Mass Ints of Margaret Byrne 10:30am Holy Mass Ints of Rosaleen and Brendan Grogan	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass By S.V.P
Monday 22nd April Easter Feria	<b>11:30am</b> Esther Wilson RIP David and Margaret Curtis RIP	11:00am Divine Mercy
Tuesday 23rd April SOLEMNITY OF ST.GEORGE, MARTYR, PATORN OF ENGLAND	9:15am Peter McQuad Karen Devereaux RIP	
Wednesday 24th April Easter Feria	11:30am HN School Mass in Church Joan Davies RIP Joe McNamara RIP	11:00am Rosary
Thursday 25th April FEAST OF ST. MARK, EVANGELIST	9:00am Mass at St. Mark's School Ints of Mary Waldron 9:15am Mass in Church Sr. Simone RIP	
Friday 26th April Easter Feria	11:30am Ints of Lila and Leo Hughes Ints of The McPherson Family	11:00am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 27th April Easter Feria	<b>12:30pm</b> Ints of Luke Cutler Linda Concannon RIP	12:00pm Confession
Sunday 28th April FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER RETIRING COLLECTION FOR PARISH MAINTENANCE	8:30am Holy Mass Kathleen McDermott RIP 10:30am St. Mark's Family Mass with Children Liturgy Joe Greaves RIP	Coffee & Tea in the Parish Centre after 10:30am Mass By Helena, Marie and Friends

Last Week's Offertory Collection: £515.69

Gift Aid Envelopes: £159.02

For the Parish Levies: £181.32

Standing Order for the month of March:1,710.00

Mass Attendance Last Sunday:298

Thank you for supporting your Parish.



Next Sunday's Mass Readings:

Acts: 9:26-31; Ps 21; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

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### LEAVING A LASTING GIFT TO OUR CHURCH

Our Holy Name Parish has developed by the generosity of many people. A simple Legacy Gift is a good way of continuing your generosity to the Church. Our parish invites you to consider a legacy to the Church in your Will. It will help our parish to over come the present financial crisis, to maintain the structure of our parish and to make new initiatives to develop our parish. Recently we received few Legacies from our Parishioners for our Parish for that we are very grateful. Your Legacy gift can be designated for any of these areas for our Parish. Our Parish has ongoing needs, which regular offerings at Mass cannot meet: Emergency repairs to the Parish Building, Hall and Urgent refurbishment. Kindly contact our Parish office for more information and help in this assistance.

### **Diocesan Prayer for Vocations**

Heavenly Father, we ask you to send labourers into your harvest.

Inspire, in the hearts of your people, vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life.

Bless our families with a spirit of generosity, so that those whom you call have the courage to give themselves to your Church in faith.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.



### ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS FOR MARRIAGE

An invitation is extended to married couples, those celebrating a milestone anniversary and those preparing to marry this year, to our annual Mass for Marriage at St Chad's Cathedral on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 12 Noon, followed by light refreshments. Please visit www.vocations.org.uk/marriage-mass.