

MASSES AND SERVICES: Easter Week

Vigil 8.00	The Easter Vigil <i>The Parish</i>	3 April	Thu 9.30	Easter Thursday <i>Intentions of Josie Francis</i>	8 April
Sun 9.30	EASTER SUNDAY <i>The Parish</i>	4 April	Fri 9.30	Easter Friday <i>Neil Grayston</i>	9 April
11.00	<i>Watson & Mercer Families</i>		Sat 9.30	Easter Saturday <i>Fred and Mary Cowburn</i>	10 April
6.30	<i>Margaret Lloyd</i>		Vigil 7.00	2nd Sunday of Easter <i>Elizabeth Prescott</i>	10 April
Mon 9.30	Easter Monday <i>Tom and Hannah Spicer</i>	5 April	Sun 9.30	2nd Sunday of Easter <i>The Parish</i>	11 April
Tues 9.30	Easter Tuesday <i>Robert, Nellie and Joseph Delaney</i>	6 April	11.00	<i>Special Intention</i>	
Wed 9.30	Easter Wednesday <i>Jack and Gertie Woods</i>	7 April	6.30	<i>Katherine Tipping</i>	

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Tuesday & Thursday: 3pm to 4pm.

Online Holy Rosary: Each Day 8pm

Confession: Sat: 10-10-30 outside in the churchyard by the back door of the sacristy, (weather permitting) or by appointment.

Sanctuary Lamps : Easter Week : 1. Ralph, Hilda And Tony Livesey; 2. University Students; 3. (Benedict Chapel) O; Connor & Walsh Families; Ryles & Jones Families; David Butcher; Alan Wilson; Allan Salisbury; Tim Williams; All Those Who Have Died from Covid 19.

All Services can be viewed live or on playback at any time on www.stmarysbrownedge.org.uk or www.churchservices.tv

Prayer for Spiritual Communion

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Prayers for Salford Diocese: We pray for the parish of the Three Martyrs: St Sebastian, St Boniface and St Thomas of Canterbury, for Fr David Macfarlane, their parish priest, for the Spiritans, the Christian Brothers, the parish primary schools, and for the chaplaincy to HMP Forest Bank.



HOPE
IN THE FUTURE

May the Risen Lord, who has passed over from death to life, lead them into the fulness of life.

Stay with us, Lord, on our journey!



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Easter Sequence

Victimae paschali laudes

Christians, to the Paschal Victim
offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat
strangely ended!
Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to
reign.

Tell us, Mary: say
what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as He rose

The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen:
He goes before you into Galilee.

EASTER SUNDAY

THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

4 APRIL 2021

TODAY: EASTER SUNDAY RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

The Paschal Mystery; the suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus, is the single most important event in the history of human existence. And yet it is not merely an event in history; it transcends time and space to be a real and true event in our present time and in our locality. Our celebrations over the Sacred Triduum make present the Paschal Mystery for us here and now.

Happy Easter! Fr Mark, Fr Colin and Sr Mary would like to thank everyone for their kindness and support, especially during these challenging times for all of us. We pray for every blessing of this sacred feast to be with each of you, your loved ones, and our whole community.

Covid19 Restrictions: We can come to church with our own household or bubble if we feel able to and maintain social distance while we are there. Services will remain available online; we can bring the church into our homes in a very special way: *we are the church*. We can make a true and spiritual communion although we are not physically present. The Sunday Mass obligation is dispensed, but, if you are not attending in person, do try to watch a Mass online or pray with the sheet "The Lord's Day at Home".

Mass Attendance: As the rates of infection are subsiding and number of vaccinations increasing people are now feeling more confident to return to Church. We will continue to observe the current Covid 19 regulations regarding social distancing, sanitising, no singing, stewarding etc... Many thanks to those who have helped with this. The "covid—safe" capacity of the church is approx. 160, thus, we do have room for more people at all the Masses.

Palm Sunday and our services during Holy Week have seen a rise in the numbers attending church and we hope people have had sense of being in a safe environment. Last

weekend the numbers were: 7pm: 50; 9.30am: 76; 11am: 56; 6.30pm: 40; Total: 222. There have been approx.40 people at each weekday Mass and 50 people attending the Stations of the Cross of Fridays during Lent.

Altar Servers and Cantors: For the services of Holy Week have reintroduced into our liturgy the use of Altar Servers and a small group of singers to lead our singing. These ministries are still limited in what they can do but a welcome sign to enhance our liturgy; regulations do allow altar servers, following the usual Covid-safe norms and "a small group of singers", at a safe distance from each other and other members of the congregation. We are asked to continue to refrain from congregational singing for the time being.

Offertory Donations: We are not holding offertory collections during Mass but please do try to remember to put your offertory money in the bags on the way in or out of Church. You can also post your donations and any Mass intentions through the Letterbox of the Priory which is locked inside. Also, it is possible to make online donations. www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/supporting-your-parish-financially/ There is a link to this on our website and on the live stream.



Contactless Payments!

This is a simple way to make your contribution to the Church: sanitise your hands; tap the screen for the amount you wish to give; you can tap "other amount" and enter your own amount; hold your contactless debit or credit card over the top of the machine and wait for a "beep". You will be asked if you want to "gift aid" your donation; to do this you enter your name, the first line of address and postcode. You only have to do this once if you use the same card. Please move on as soon as you as you have made your transaction to help avoid congestion.

Facebook: Please "like" and follow our parish Facebook Page. There are many photos, videos and event announcements which appear there. Also please share items to your own Facebook page so that we can reach out to more people.

High School End of Term Service: Although the students were not able to hold a service in Church at the end of term, they did prepare a wonderful video for the school chaplaincy Instagram page which you watch via the Parish Facebook page from a post on 26 March.

Shrine to Our Lady: the landscaping of our new Marian Shrine by the drive entrance to church is almost complete. Phase two of this will involve the cladding of the plinth in black granite and the securing of the statue of Our Lady to the plinth. Floodlights will be installed, and two benches will be fitted for people to sit and pray. This should be finished in time for the beginning of May when we hope to have a service of blessing and consecration. We hope it will be a fitting dedication to Mary our Mother and Patroness of our Parish.

CAFOD: Many thanks for your support of the CAFOD Family Fast Day. You donated £1,100 via the envelopes and £1,275 via online donations for the 'Walking for Water' challenge, making a wonderful total of £2,375!! The 'Water' challenge will continue until Easter Sunday, when Steve and Louise will have walked 1 million steps during the 40 days of Lent to help end water poverty. Thanks to everyone for the support and generosity.

Brownedge Christians Together Foodbank: On behalf of all the volunteers and families of the Food Bank, we would like to say a heartfelt 'THANK YOU' for your amazing support during this difficult year. Despite churches closing and volunteers isolating, we have managed to pack and

deliver 3,973 bags of food including special Christmas and Easter bags. Without your constant supply of food items and monetary donations, we would not be able to help the growing number of individuals and families who find themselves struggling to provide essential food. We look forward to your continuing support as the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic continues to unfold.

Easter Egg Appeal: An amazing 150 Easter eggs and chocolate bunnies were donated and shared out between: The Women's Refuge, Caritas, Barnardo's, Bay6, Project.SLEAP, and Brownedge Food Bank. Thanks everybody for their generosity and to the Haythornthwaite family for organising another great parish initiative.

200 Club Easter Bonus Draw: Fabulous Easter prizes: Congratulations to the three lucky winners: 1st Prize: Geoff Yeomans; 2nd: Martin Turner; 3rd: Jeanette Morris. Thanks to all our 200 Club members for your continuing support. Please consider joining the 200 Club if you are not already a member. At just £1 a week, it is an excellent way to support the parish and, in particular, the maintenance of our beautiful Grade II listed church. You will have the chance to win one of the three monthly prizes of £200, £60 or £40 together with the special prizes at Easter and Christmas.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The sick, and those who care for them:

Fr Cassian Dickie, Jane Cooper, Amy Lloyd, Andre Jacobs, Lorna Bentley, Elsie Smith, Barbara Davis, Teddy Howes, Eddie Gough, June Gent, Margaret Roxburgh, Joyce Crook, Joe Lever, Brenda Towers, Margaret Riley, Ryan Womack, Tony Wilkinson, Teresa Foster, Shelagh Mervyn, Emma Garth,

Those who have Recently Died

Mary Walmsley