

MASSES AND SERVICES: Easter Week 3

Vigil 7.00	3rd Sunday of Easter <i>Bill Harrison & Margaret Dixon</i>	17 April	Thu 9.30	Easter Weekday <i>Special Intention for one who is sick</i>	22 April
Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	3rd Sunday of Easter <i>The Parish</i> <i>Baron Family</i> <i>Margaret Lloyd</i>	18 April	Fri 9.30	ST GEORGE <i>Kathleen Hanshaw</i>	23 April
Mon 9.30	Easter Weekday <i>Michael Turner</i>	19 April	Sat 9.30 10.45	Easter Weekday <i>Robert, Nellie and Joseph Delaney</i> <i>Interment of Ashes : Paul Di Guistina</i>	24 April
Tues 9.30	Easter Weekday <i>Francis and Dorothy Hardacre</i>	20 April	Vigil 7.00	4th Sunday of Easter <i>Mary Gallagher</i>	24 April
Wed 9.30	St Anselm of Canterbury <i>Mairead Griffin</i>	21 April	Sun 9.30 11.00 6.30	4th Sunday of Easter <i>The Parish</i> <i>Robert, Bertha and Peter Holden</i> <i>Michael Cox</i>	25 April

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. Geoff And Brett Thompson; 2. Albert Walton
3. (Benedict Chapel) Sick Members Of The Family

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 parishes in the Deanery of St John Vianney. For the Dean, Fr Simon Stamp, together with the parishioners of the parish of St Anne and St Joseph, Accrington, where he is parish Priest. We pray for their parish primary school and the Accrington Victoria Hospital and the Mount ESM. May they be a vibrant sign of the Risen Lord in their local community.

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.



3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

18 APRIL 2021

TODAY: 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Today we hear another account of one the appearances of Jesus to the disciples after His Resurrection. It occurs immediately following the appearance on the road to Emmaus. He appears to the disciples in the Upper Room and he “opens their minds to understand”; as we encounter he Risen Lord at Mass today, let us pray that He will open our minds to the reality of His love for us.

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.

Holy Week and Easter Sunday have seen a welcome rise in the numbers attending church and we hope people have had the sense of being in a safe environment. Last weekend the numbers were: Vigil: 54; 9.30am: 63; 11am: 56; 6.30pm: 36; Total: 209. There have been approx.40 people at each weekday Mass.

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. Any servers or singers who like to resume their ministry please contact Fr Mark.

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. We currently have 953 followers; can you help us get past one thousand?

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.

Red Mission Boxes: Many thanks for last years donations which raised £3,237.29. Can any outstanding money be returned as soon as possible.

200 Club: 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. While it is in your mind, send an email now to bamberbridgeoffice@gmail.com

Baptisms: From May 17th onwards, it is anticipated that we will be able to hold baptisms with 30 people present. From June 21st, like everyone, we hope all restrictions will be lifted. Many people have had to postpone baptisms; if you want to make some arrangements for a baptism, please contact the parish office and we can try to book something in for you.

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

HRH Prince Philip,

For our younger parishioners: A Wordsearch from Today’s Gospel

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