Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 15th April Easter Octave			
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Mary & Martin Burke
Sunday 16th April Second Sunday of Easter , Day of Divine Mercy			
St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Eileen & Albert Boardman Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Francis Shorties Anniversary
St Joseph's	12.30pm	Baptisms	Brodie Buxton & Noah Joseph Pilling
Tuesday 18th April Weekday of Easter			
St Joseph's	10.00am	Funeral Service	Mary Brenda McNamara
Sacred Heart	12.00pm		No Mass
Wednesday 19th April Weekday of Easter			
St Joseph's	12.00pm		No Mass
Thursday 20th April Weekday of Easter			
Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Helen Bradley R.I.P.
Friday 21st April Weekday of Easter			
St Joseph's	10.00am	Mass	Twelve Apostles School Mass
St Joseph's	12.00pm	Mass	Kathleen Nolan (nee Burke)
Saturday 22nd April Weekday of Easter			
St Joseph's	10.30am	XII Apostles	First Holy Communion Mass
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Judith Charity R.I.P.
Sunday 23rd April Third Sunday of Easter			
St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Mary & Alf Keavney R.I.P.
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Sheila Agnes Marsh Birthday Memorial

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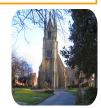
16th April 2023 Second Sunday of Easter

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Opening Hours
Mon and Fri
9.30am - .11.30am
1.00pm - 3.00pm
Wed 9.30- 11.30

Food for Thought

How many of us have longed for someone who has died to say just one more word, or share one more embrace? How upsetting it would be if people around us claimed that they had seen the one we love - but, because we hadn't happened to be present, that glimpse - that moment of knowing they are still alive had been denied us. Maybe that's why Thomas doubted! But, Jesus <u>did</u> return and offered Thomas a glimpse of what Resurrection means. He doesn't condemn Thomas' failure to believe - but recognises his deep human need to see - to touch - to hear - in order to believe. Jesus understood that many like Thomas would hear the story of the Resurrection and be filled with doubt. Today the Lord tells us 'Happy are those who have not seen yet believe'. Yes Lord, we believe – and may our faith in the Risen Lord affect our lives and those we come into contact with! Praise Him!

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Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them: Jim Reynolds, Vera Seventi. Carol Greenhalgh, Mary Griffin Brendan Fleming. Sean Fleming, Craig Hardman, Kitty Jones, Baby Roman Bleu Emery, Doreen Haves, Sr. Megan Nellie Flynn Mary Barnes

May the Risen Lord embrace them with love.

Archbishop Patrick Kelly

Baptism

We welcome Brodie Buxton & Noah Joseph Pilling who will receive this gift from Heaven at St Joseph's Church on Sunday. We hold these little ones and their families in our love and prayer.

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died, especially:

Amy Mary Helm
Kathleen Daniels
Roy Foxcroft
Fr. Michael O'Dowd
Fr. Vin McShane
Margaret Fallon
John Wilfred Burton
Anthony Short

and those whose anniversary occurs at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr. Kieran is available after each midday Mass and 3.45—4.15 before the 4.30pm Mass at St Joseph's Church.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for April

For a culture of peace and non-violence
We pray for the spread of peace and nonviolence, by decreasing the use of weapons by
States and citizens.

Feast of Divine Mercy

The hour of grace will be held on Sunday (16th April) at Holy Family Church, Boothstown beginning with the Chaplet at 3.00pm with Adoration. Confessions will be available through the hour which will conclude with Benediction.

Thank You

Dean Ellison and his family would like to thank you all for your prayers. Dean is making a great progress after his recent accident. "Jesus does not give up, he does not get tired of us, he is not afraid of our crises, our weaknesses. He always comes back: When the doors are closed, he comes back; when we are in doubt, he comes back. When, like Thomas, we need to encounter him and to touch him up close, he comes back".

Pope Francis

MOTHER'S PRAYERS

Mothers' Prayers will be meeting at St Joseph's Presbytery on Monday 17th April at 10.30am. All Mothers and grandmothers are welcome.

Gift Aid

If you are a tax payer please consider joining the Gift Aid Scheme, as this is a way of increasing our income without having to ask people for more money (when we are all suffering from the cost of living crisis). For every £1 you give 25p extra can be claimed back from the government. This is great way of boosting our Parish Finances.

For more information please contact the Parish Office.

Gluten-free Altar Bread

If you require a Gluten-free altar bread, please speak to the sacristan before the beginning of Mass

The Cat and The Canary

St Joseph's Players next production, a comedy melodrama, by John Willard, directed by Donna Wood.

From Tuesday 18th April to
Saturday 22nd April. Curtain 7.30pm
Tickets Adults £10
16 years and under £5
Available from www.ticketsource.co.uk
For enquiries phone 07907 880 308

Children's Corner

What kind of fish only swims at night?

A starfish

What do you call a dog who does magic tricks?

A labracadabrador



Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine

at Sacred Heart Church for

Pope Francis

at St Joseph's Church for Wedding Anniversary