Corpus Christi Church, Clifton Mass/Service Times 7th - 14th April 2024

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Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events
Saturday 6th April 2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: People of the Parish	
Sunday 7th April 2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday	10.30 am Mass: Jac O'Brien RIP	
Monday 8th April The Annunciation of the Lord (Solemnity)	6.30 Adoration 7.00 pm Mass: Private Intention	
Tuesday 9th April Easter Feria	9.00 am Mass: For the Sick	
Thursday 11th April Saint Stanislaus, bishop & martyr	9.00 am Mass: Fr Joseph McGovern - Foundation Mass	RCIA - No Session Easter Holiday
Friday 12th April Easter Feria	9.00 am Mass: For Peace	If you would like to make a donation, please scan the QR code for CC Church
Saturday 13th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	5.30 pm Confessions 6.00 pm Mass: Mary Upton & Sean & Rita Gibbons RIP	
Sunday 14th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	10.30 am Mass: People of the Parish	

Our Lady & St Patricks, Meadows, Mass/Service Times 7th - 14th April 2024

Date	Holy Mass/ Services	Other Events	
Sunday 7th April 2nd Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday	9.00 am Mass: Holt Hogan, Jnr RIP	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass	
Wednesday 10th April Easter Feria	9.30 am Adoration 10.00 am Mass: Private Intention	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.	
Saturday 13th April Easter Feria	9.30 am Confessions 10.00 am Mass: Private Intention	If you would like to make a donation, to the Church please scan the QR code above.	
Sunday 14th April 3rd Sunday of Easter	9.00 am Mass: Jimmy Greany	Coffee & Tea after the morning Mass.	

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Parish Newsletter 2nd Week of Eastertide - Low Week

Corpus Christi, Southchurch Drive, Clifton and Our Lady & St Patrick's, Launder Street, The Meadows Parish Priest: Fr Wilfred Pereppadan SCJ, Assistant Priest: Fr Pitak David SCJ,

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Dear Brothers and Sisters

In 2000, Saint John Paul II set aside the second Sunday of Easter, the final day of the Easter Octave, as Divine Mercy Sunday. This day holds special significance because it reminds us that God's mercy is at the heart of the Easter joy.

The Gospel story for this Sunday shows us a powerful scene from the first Easter evening. Jesus appears to his frightened and ashamed disciples, who are hiding behind locked doors. His first words to them are simple yet profound: "Peace be with you." This peace means being made whole, being in harmony with God, with each other, and with ourselves. It's a call to inner calmness and reconciliation.

A beautiful sentiment shared recently captures the essence of our journey to heaven: "I want to go to heaven, but I do not want to go alone! I want you to come with me!" This echoes the unity we find in Christ's mercy, as we journey together under his loving care.

We shall pray with countless others, meditating on the Sacred Wounds of Jesus, and pray, "For the sake of His sorrowful passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world." This litany prayer connects us to the universal need for redemption and highlights the boundless mercy of our Saviour. As we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, may we reflect on the depth of God's love and extend that mercy to others in our parish and beyond.

God Bless. Fr. Wilfred Pereppadan SCJ

Please pray for Patrick Madu RIP of OLSP who died recently. Please remember his family in your prayers. May he rest in peace. Amen.

A reflection from Pope Francis for the Year of Prayer, Second Sunday of Easter: Prayer is the rudder that guides Jesus' course. The stages of his mission were not dictated by success, nor by consensus, or the seductive phrase "everyone is searching for you". Jesus' path was charted by the least comfortable one, which obeyed the Father's inspiration, which Jesus heard and welcomed in his solitary prayer. From Jesus' example we can derive some characteristics of Christian prayer. First and foremost, it possesses primacy: it is the first desire of the day, something that is practised at dawn, before the world awakens. It restores a soul to what otherwise would be without breath.

To read the full reflection and find more resources at dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer SYNOD ON SYNODALITY: Synod Synthesis: PART I – THE FACE OF THE SYNODAL CHURCH, 3. Entering the Community of Faith: Christian Initiation Convergences d) The grace of Pentecost abides in the Church through the Sacrament of Confirmation. It enriches the faithful with the abundance of the gifts of the Spirit. It calls them to develop their specific vocation, rooted in their common baptismal dignity, in the service of mission. Its importance requires greater emphasis and it needs to be located in relation to the variety of charisms and ministries that form the synodal face of the Church.

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY THIS SUNDAY APRIL 7th 2024 at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Church, Bulwell, Nottingham NG6 9ES The celebration begins at 2.30pm and ends with benediction at 3.45pm Talk given by Fr Simon Gillespie. Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available for 1 hour after the service. You are warmly invited to join us for this great feast. For further information ring Madeleine 0115 9277893 Teresa 07733224700

Vocations Sunday The Fourth Sunday of Eastertide, Good Shepherd Sunday, (21" April this year) is set aside as a day of special prayer for vocations to the priesthood and religious life. encourage parishes and communities to pray for this vital dimension of the Church's life.

Safeguarding - Tuesday 30 April is a Day of Special Prayer for the Survivors of Sexual Abuse Bishop Patrick will celebrate the 1.00pm Mass in the St Cathedral that day, and there will be a time of prayerful atonement beginning at 12.30pm. Please do keep victims and survivors of sexual abuse in prayer during Mass that day. Sunday 5" May is our Diocesan Safeguarding Sunday. Nottingham Diocesan Yearbook 2024 now available, priced £6.00.

The Pope's Monthly Intention, April 2024: Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

New Offertory Envelopes are now available at the back of CC Church. Envelopes for OLSP are also now available at the back of Church - apologies for the delay in distributing these.

The 1st Holy Communion Repository Stall in Corpus Christi Church is open from this Easter weekend. Rosary beads and bracelets, cards and candles and brooches are available.

200 Club: For those who pay their subscriptions annually or for a number of months in advance. these are now due. Please enclose them in an envelope with your name on the front and place them in the white box in the porch at CC. If anyone would like to join please put a note to this effect with your name and address and how many numbers you would like and these will be allocated to you. Each number is £2 per month or £24 for the year. A prize of £100 is given to the number drawn each month.

Mission Appeal: Thank you for welcoming Sister Mary Sebastian Ogwuike IHM from the Congregation of the Sisters of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, Mother of Christ and for your generous response to her appeal which raised £205.18 at OLSP and £295.63 at CC.

Prayers for HRH Catherine, Princess of Wales: Cardinal Nichols, as President of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, last week spoke about the news of the Princess of Wales's cancer: I salute the courage of the Princess of Wales in speaking so openly about her personal health. Not only does she give encouragement to all who carry the burden of ill health, but she also speaks so movingly of the importance of her family life. Her message will move many people to pray for her and her full recovery, as I certainly will do myself. Let us keep the Princess of Wales, and HM the King, together with the Royal Family in our prayers.

National Shrine of Our Lady, Walsingham Father Robert Billings, the recently-appointed Shrine Rector, has written to the Bishops of England and Wales:

I am pleased to inform you that The Catholic National Shrine and Basilica of Our Lady, at Walsingham, appears to be the first major Marian Shrine, throughout the world to have an online feature as part of its website encouraging people to come to our Shrine as part of the Jubilee Year 2025: www.walsingham.org.uk/come-to-walsingham-for-the-jubilee-year-2025/ and our homepage: www.walsingham.org.uk/shrine-home/

Are you a university student looking for something to do over the summer holidays? Why not join The Briars at Crich for their summer internship programme? Develop skills that will support you in your future career, whilst also growing spiritually in a wonderfully supportive environment. With live -in opportunities, and flexible start dates available, there's no better time to join us! To request more information, please contact michelle.thomas@ndcvs.com

Retrouvaille - Do you need help in your marriage? Retrouvaille has helped many couples find new hope, nourishment and growth in their marriages. If you want to uncover or reawaken the love, trust and commitment that brought you together and work through difficult times in your marriage contact Retrouvaille confidential for more information about our 2024 programmes. There is no group therapy or group work. Our next programme commences with a weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 14-16 June 2024. Call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443, visit

www.retrouvaille.org.uk or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com

Year of Prayer Podcast: The latest episode of the Diocese's podcast encounter prayer is now available. The focus this month is on the Our Father. We speak to Father Jan Nowotnik of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, and Rebecca Durham of Playing and Praying: both have recently been involved in creating resources to explore the Our Father. Download or stream it from all major podcast providers or on the diocesan website: dioceseofnottingham.uk/yearofprayer Talking Philosophy & Theology: a Carmelite Perspective Zoom meetings are on Wednesday evenings, 8-10pm: 17th April (Theology); and on Thursday afternoons, 1-3pm: 11th Apr (Philosophy): 25th Apr (Theology). Contact Deacon James Hunter james.hunter200@btinternet.com.

The Royal Priesthood and the Renewal of the Church, Saint Mary's University,

Twickenham, is holding an international conference on the subject of 'The Royal Priesthood and the Renewal of the Church' from Thursday 20* to Saturday 22d June. For more details and booking go to: www.stmarys.ac.uk/events/2024/06/the-royal-priesthood-and-the-renewal-of-the-churchinternational-conference.

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Divine Mercy Sunday)



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia

God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed. by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of Apostles.

United heart and soul

4:32-35 The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Or: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end. Let the sons of Aaron say:

'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' R.

2. The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds. I was punished, I was punished by the Lord, but not doomed to die. R.

3. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad R.

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John. Anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world. 7th APRIL 2024 118h

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us: that is what loving God is keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world—our faith Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God: Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness -

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

since the Spirit is truth. The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

Eight days later, Jesus came.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again,

'Peace be with you.

As the Father sent me,

so am I sending you.

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit.

For those whose sins you forgive.

they are forgiven;

for those whose sins you retain,

they are retained."

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered. 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God! Jesus said to him;

You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe,'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your people (and of those you have brought to new birth), that, renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, they may attain unending happiness Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of this paschal Sacrament may have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.