

Sunday 12th April 2020

First Reading

Acts of the Apostles
10:34a, 37-43

Peter preaches about Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.



Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 118:1-2, 16-17, 22-23
Rejoice in this day of the Lord.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4 or 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8
Colossians: Having been raised by Christ, be concerned with what is above.

1 Corinthians: Let us celebrate this feast with new yeast.

Gospel Reading

John 20:1-9
Mary of Magdala finds that the stone has been removed from Jesus' tomb.

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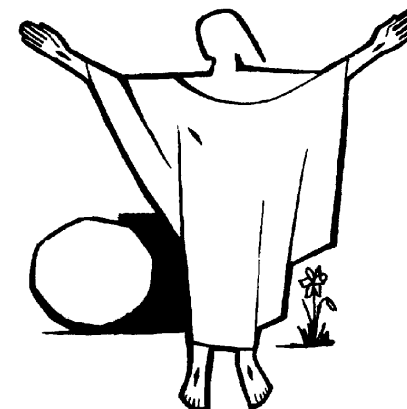
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Easter Sunday

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Mission Statement of the Archdiocese of Liverpool

Taking to heart the last words of the Lord Jesus, we will go into the world and proclaim the Good News to the whole of creation.

Prayer Requests

For those who are sick or in special need of our Prayers

Amy Adair, Tricia Andrews, Carol Atkinson, Baby Grace, Baby Sonny,
Elsie Blundell, Philip Bromwell, Triona Bromwell, Sophie Bond,
Aaron Carmichael, Margaret Chandler, Thomas Clegg, Nicholas Cragg,
Janet & Ray Cragg, Eileen Critchley, John Cunningham, Marie D'Arcy, Mary Davis,
Nathan Davies, Annette Devine, Graham Dawson, Sarah Doherty, Eddie Doran, Maria Edge,
Margaret Edmondson, Nancy Evans, Margaret Flynn, Philip Gallagher, Collette Garlick,
Janine Garvey, George Gibbons, Wyn Graham, Nick Gregory, Fr. Bernard Higham, Amanda Hill,
Joseph Hill, Christina Hill, Victoria Hill-Edmundson, Ann Holden, Barbara & Mike Holman,
Kathleen Hughes, Marie Hunter, Joe, Jimmy Jones, Eileen Joyce, Kathleen Keenan,
Marie Keight, John Kennedy, Molly Kennedy, Kathy Latham, Kathleen Lawrence,
Margaret Leadbetter, Sr. Ann, Christine Lees, Averyll Fairfield Logan, Peter Lovelady,
Mary Lydiat, Mrs Lynch, Brenda McArdle, Lawrence McClintock, Bernard McCormick,
Susan McDougalle, Maureen McGurk, Caelan McKeown, Patrick McKeown, Jennifer McKeown,
Susan & Alan McKeown, Jennifer McLaughlin, Alan McMahon, Kay McNeill,
Roisin & Padraig McRory, Pat Madden, Christine Malone, Marion, Colette Martin, Kayleigh Martin,
Terry Martin, Jerome Mitchell, Laura Mitchell, Mave Mooney, Steve Moore, Aidan Morris,
Fr. Simon, John Mulcahey, Jane Murney, Margaret Murphy, Hazel Naylor, Terry Naylor,
Maisie Linda O'Keefe, Mary Organ, Paul, Jacqueline Patel, Wendy Paveley, Clare Pendleton,
Wyn Pickup, Chrissie Pearch, Maisie Pritchard, Alison Randles, Alan Ratcliffe, Josie Riley,
Bernard Riley, Sandra Rowley, Rose Sankey, Philip Simmins, Steve Smith, James Soundie,
Mary Waldron, Fr Nicholas Wild, Kate Williams, Anthony Wilson, Anthony Winrow, Oliver York

There are a number of young adults in our parishes who are terminally ill at the moment. Please remember them and their families specially in your prayers.

Lately Deceased Stephen Morrey , Arthur Withe, Joan Riley

Anniversaries - Daphie Flynn, Cecil Roscoe, Jim and Josephine Philips

Sanctuary Lamps week beginning 12th March 2020

St Aidan - Maureen Hamilton, Julie Morgan

***Please contact the Parish office if you would like a Mass
Intention, an Anniversary or anyone adding to the Prayer List.
Thank you for your support during this difficult time.***

Mass Intentions

During the lockdown Fr. Anton is celebrating Mass each day at 3pm in the presbytery and Fr. Richard will also celebrate at 10am in his home. We already have a number of Mass intentions for Masses that were already scheduled, but if you would like a Mass said, please will you contact the Parish Office (0151 489 3085).

Saturday 11th April (Holy Saturday) – Easter Vigil

Cathedral 8pm –Families of the parish volunteers.

Sunday 12th April - Easter Day

Cathedral 11am -Parishioners Of St Agnes & St. Aidan

Live streaming on Facebook

Monday - 13th April

Mass 3pm —Agnes and Joe O'Donnell, Elizabeth

Tuesday -14th April

Mass 3pm — Denise Whyatt, Josephine Philips

Wednesday 15th April

Mass 3pm— All those who are terminally ill.

Funeral Service — Stephen Morrey (Anfield Crematorium)

Thursday 16th April

Mass 3pm — Staff and students of Sts. Aidan, Anne & Joseph Primary schools

Funeral Service — Joan Riley (St. Helens Crematorium)

Friday 17th April

Mass 3pm— Gladys Burke, Teresa Dring

Funeral Service — Arthur Withe (Springwood Crematorium)

Saturday 18th April

Mass 3pm — NHS staff and Essential workers.

Sunday 19th April - Second Sunday of Easter (Day of Divine Mercy)

Mass 3pm — Ann Shields, Cecilia Wilkes, Christopher and Catherine Smith.

Staying Connected

Fr. Anton and the office staff have been trying to make contact with all the parishioners. Just to say hello and check how everyone is doing. We have a large database now of numbers, but obviously there will be people we don't have numbers for. If you have not received a call and would like one, please can you let us know your number. We will try our best to contact people and least once every two weeks, just to stay connected.

Spiritual Resources

There are a number of links to live Mass streams, prayer suggestions and messages from Archbishop Malcolm on the Liverpool Archdiocese website:

<http://www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk/Home-Page>

We encourage you to take a look.

We would recommend tuning into the live Mass of Fr Peter Morgan at St Anne's Parish. This can be found at

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCzmZorKVDC04H7FNifNIX9A>



Volunteer and help schemes

Since stricter measures have now been enforced by the Government, we have been advised that all volunteer and help schemes need to go through the appropriate channels.

We would like to thank all those who volunteered to help in the event it was necessary, if you would still like to help, please go through the following channels, so that all necessary health and safety procedures are followed and adhered to.

- Knowsley - <https://www.knowsley.gov.uk/community-hub>
- Liverpool - <https://liverpool.gov.uk/.../c.../coronavirus-volunteer-to-help/>

Virtual Gathering

For Virtual Gathering this week:

This weekend we will link in with the Masses live streamed from the Cathedral. There are alternative options and resources available via the following link: <https://www.liverpoolcatholicresources.com/> or other resources available on our parish Facebook page.

You may just want to put aside a quiet time and reflect as we have been doing these past few weeks.

If it suits you and your family, play some quiet music.

Gather all those in your home, light a candle and start with the sign of the cross. Read through the day's readings, (you can find the readings at uscgb.org or on the parish Facebook page where they are read aloud)) and the weekly reflection in the newsletter. (Available online).

Give yourself a chance for quiet time and personal prayer.

Fr. Anton's message can be accessed via the parish website or Facebook page.

Together pray the Our Father and the following prayer:

Generous God,

fill us with compassion and concern for others, young and old,
that we may look after one another in these challenging days.

Bring healing to those who are sick with the virus and be with their families.

May those who have died rest in your eternal embrace.

Comfort their family and friends.

Strengthen and protect all medical professionals caring for the sick
and all who work in our medical facilities.

Give wisdom to leaders in healthcare and governance
that they may make the right decisions for the well-being of people.

We pray in gratitude for all those in our country who will continue to work in the
days ahead in so many fields of life for the sake of us all.

Bless them and keep them safe. Amen

Celebrating Easter in the midst of Covid 19

Life has changed, not ended

I suspect many of us are tired of too many words at the moment: daily news updates on the virus – its symptoms and its heartbreaking consequences for those far and too near; perhaps we are even tired of words that try to offer comfort and make sense of it all; and we may not experience the same fullness in participating in live-streaming of services. During the weeks of Lent and especially during Holy Week, we have almost frantically looked for other ways to continue **doing** what we normally do and no doubt this will be our focus in our Easter celebrations. For some of us, our hearts may be closed to the traditional reflections on Easter and may even feel that there will be no Easter on April 12th, 2020.

Our reality is that we live in both **chronos time** (the measured time in which we live our daily lives) and **kairos time** (deep time/live-in-the-moment time/qualitative time). This year, we are being invited to live in **kairos time**, when Easter is an ongoing reality: life is always changing, but life never ends. We are also being invited to experience our global connectedness with each person and each creature. We are being invited to be one with all who suffer the pain of lockdown. This is a new experience for us. Perhaps it will expand our beings and open our hearts and arms to embrace those who have long been experiencing different kinds of lockdowns and separation from loved ones due to war, injustice, exile from their home countries, those experiencing a living bereavement of loved ones suffering from dementia or other illnesses. And how do we do this? We've been told many times in the past few weeks: Stay at home. Jesus gave his disciples a similar instruction: "Make your home in me, as I make mine in you." If these are the only words we sit with for some time every day, we will live the Resurrection in the present moment, and allow the Resurrection to change us now.

(C. York)



Pandemic

What if you thought of it
as the Jews consider the Sabbath—
the most sacred of times?

Cease from travel.

Cease from buying and selling.

Give up, just for now,
on trying to make the world
different than it is.

Sing. Pray. Touch only those
to whom you commit your life.
Center down.



And when your body has become still,
reach out with your heart.
Know that we are connected
in ways that are terrifying and beautiful.
(You could hardly deny it now.)

Know that our lives
are in one another's hands.
(Surely, that has come clear.)

Do not reach out your hands.

Reach out your heart.

Reach out your words.

Reach out all the tendrils
of compassion that move, invisibly,
where we cannot touch.

Promise this world your love—
for better or for worse,
in sickness and in health,
so long as we all shall live.

—Lynn Ungar

Easter Greetings

Dear Friends,

I hope you are well and coping with the present lockdown.

*On behalf of Christine Ball (Pastoral Assistant) Parish Staff, Religious Sisters,
Deacons and Fr. Richard, I would like to wish you all a happy and healthy Easter!*



*Be safe! (Stay home and save lives!)
Fr. Anton Fernandopulle*