

The Parish of the Good Samaritan

Christ the King

St Mary of the Assumption

St John the Baptist

Burnley



NEWSLETTER

EASTER SUNDAY

4TH APRIL 2021

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FR DAVID'S REFLECTION ON EASTER SUNDAY 2021

Easter is massive for us. It is the most important aspect of our Catholic faith. It simply tells us that the Lord has once and for all conquered sin and death. We have had over six weeks of Lent to prepare for Easter and now we will spend a further 7 weeks celebrating Easter.

On that first Easter Sunday, we hear in the Gospel that John and Peter go down to the empty tomb. They do this in order to see with their own eyes what they have been told by the women who were the first witnesses to this momentous event. They see the clothes rolled up, where the Lord had been laid and suddenly everything makes sense. Until that



Alleluia

moment they had not really understood what Jesus meant when He said that he would suffer, die but rise again on the third day. Jesus had tried to tell them all about this, but they did not fully understand until that day arrived. They would not

look back from this moment on Easter Sunday.

The reason we have Easter eggs today is because an egg is a sign of new life and Easter is all about the new life that is promised to all of us who believe and follow Jesus. We thank God for this greatest feast that gives us hope and joy, even in the midst of worry and fear.

He Is Risen. Alleluia. Happy Easter.

Easter Greetings

The clergy parish team wish all our parishioners and their families a happy and holy Easter. May the Risen Christ burst forth into your hearts and fill you with the peace and joy of Easter.

PUBLIC MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES

Public Masses for the parish as follows. They may be subject to change at short notice so, if you can, check daily on the parish website for updates.

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament starting 30 mins before all of the weekday Masses.

Masses

Monday	9.30am St Mary's	7pm Christ the King
Tuesday:	9.30am St Mary's	12.00 noon St John's
Wednesday	9.30am St Mary's	7.00pm St John's
Thursday:	9.30am St Mary's	7.00pm St John's
Friday:	9.30am St Mary's	12 Noon Christ the King
Saturday:	9.30am St Mary's	6.00pm Vigil Mass St John's
Sunday:	9.30am St Mary's	10.45am Mass St John's 5pm Mass Christ the King

Exposition and Reconciliation

Every Saturday there will be Exposition and Reconciliation at St Mary's from 10.30 to 11.30am. The Reconciliation will take place on the Sacred Heart altar.

Please note we are reinstating the 6pm Vigil Mass at St John's from Saturday 10th April.

MASS INTENTIONS

Lately Dead: Mary Hughes, Billy Longshaw, Kathleen Bottomley, Sr Gertrude Geogehan, Yvonne Price, Andrea Killough, Asmat Pervez, Freda Hiam, Robert Murray, Brenda Daunoras, Carol Chesworth, Lisa McEvitt, Duncan Ferguson, Ian Mayor.

Anniversary: Catherine Ford, Kathleen Worden, Giovanni Albanese, Thomas Green Junior, Cyril Minihan, Brian Ennis, Thomas Edward Mulrooney, Kathleen Brennan, John Entwistle, Maud Walsh, Maud Walsh,

Birthdays memorial: Martin Frazer, Bashir Variyam,

Candle in Townley Chapel:

Fr David Featherstone, Andrew Harrison,
Other intentions: Clergy of the Good Samaritan parish, Special intention, Ronnie Whitaker, Clifford Scott, Eileen McNee, Michael and Mary Ann Reynolds, Reynolds family, James and Margaret O'Hara, Special Intention (Holy Souls)

In Memoriam at Easter: Deceased McNamara and Smith families, James Worden, John Worden, Margaret Williams, Francis Carter, Esther Worden, Winifred Masure, Jimmy Carter, Fletcher family, Martin and Winifred Hegarty, Rodney Duxbury, Harry, Mary, Noel and Philip Backhouse, Tom Dacey.



CAFOD



Thanks to your generosity a further £160.00 has been forwarded to CAFOD as part of our Lent Fast Day donations. May we once again thank you for your support and wish you all the blessing of the Easter Season.

MISSIO RED BOX DONATIONS

Many thanks to the Red Box holders in another of our parish communities for their donations for the period March 2020 - March 2021. A magnificent £1,200 has been donated, contributing to the work of the Mill Hill Missionaries throughout the world. God Bless you all. The next collection will be in October. If you would like a Red Box or have one that needs collecting please call Stephen/Francesca on 423496



STEWARDS IN OUR CHURCHES

We are very dependent on the generosity of our wonderful stewards. We are very grateful for the dedication they have shown throughout. If anyone would like to become a steward please contact Fr David.

FOODBANK—THE NEED CONTINUES AND GROWS



Sadly the appeal has to continue. You can drop food off at most Spar stores. You can also contribute online (via Blessed Trinity at <https://tinyurl.com/BlessedTrinityJustGiving>). You can donate cash at St John's Presbytery, drop it off in a clearly marked envelope. This led to £139 being donated during March. Congratulations to everyone at Blessed Trinity—their website has now burst through the £8,000 marker!! Thank you all for your great generosity.

FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

Mon 5 April	Easter Monday	Thurs 8 Apr	Easter Thursday
Tues 6 Apr	Easter Tuesday	Fri 9 Apr	Easter Friday
Wed 7 Apr	Easter Wednesday	Sat 10 Apr	Holy Saturday
		Sun 11 Apr	Second Sunday of Easter

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL



Fundamental Rights: We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

Canon copier inks: If anyone would like free of charge some new unused black and colour ink cartridges ref 540/541 for a Canon computer printer, please contact Fr Damien.

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