



Easter Sunday

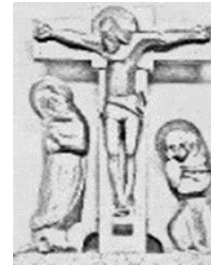
Mass times, intentions + this week

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| Sat 30th March EASTER VIGIL | <u>6.30pm</u> | Colette Morrissey, Mary Sutton |
| Sun 31st March Easter Sunday | 10.30am 12 noon | Angela + Tony Barker Parishioners Intentions <i>Baptisms</i> |
| Monday 1st April | <u>10.00am</u> | Patsy Mullen Special Intention (EJ) |
| Tues 2nd April | 9.10am | Bernadette Edwards (sick) Gerrard Kennedy |
| Wed 3rd April | 12 noon | Bob Scott (A) Fr Barry McAllister |
| Thurs 4th April | 9.10am 10.30am | Geoff Young, Jim Copeland <i>Funeral Service: Phil Gilhooley</i> |
| Friday 5th April | 9.10am | Ken Eastwood Kath Harris |
| Sat 6th April | 6.00pm | 30 Children of Gaza who have died of starvation Brian Dunleavey |
| Sun 7th April Easter 2 | 10.30am | Joe Perez, Jane Patrick Stanton |

Praying the Parish Mass Book: The readings are on **Page 255**.

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| Confessions | by appointment with Fr Philip. |
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PRAYING THE PARISH: WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE PREPARING TO BECOME CATHOLICS.



Parish of Holy Rosary

Holy Rosary Presbytery, Altway,
Liverpool, L10 2LG

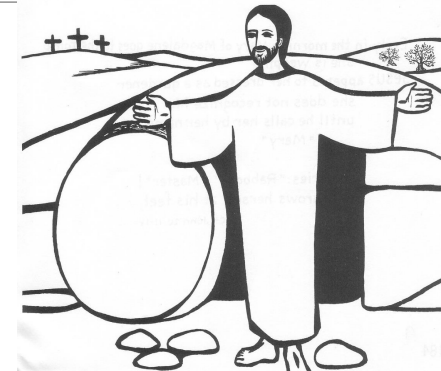
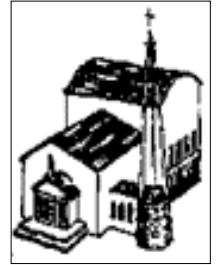
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EASTER Sunday

31st March 2024

Easter is the most important feast in the Catholic calendar, as it celebrates the Resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead. Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus has triumphed over sin and death, and offers us the hope of new life and salvation. The readings for Easter Vigil and Easter Sunday remind

us of God's goodness, power, and saving work throughout history. From the Creation Story to the Exodus from Egypt, God has been at work, leading his people to freedom and new life. In the Epistle reading, St. Paul exhorts us to die to sin and live for God, emphasizing the importance of baptism and faith in Jesus. In the Gospel reading, we hear the amazing news of Jesus' Resurrection, this brings hope and new life to all believers.

This message of hope is especially important in our world today, where there is so much violence, suffering, pain, and despair. We are all touched by the effects of sin and death, whether in our own lives or in the lives of those around us. But the Resurrection of Jesus offers us a way out of this darkness. It reminds us that death is not the final word, and that God never abandons us, even in our darkest moments.

As we celebrate Easter, we are called to become more fully the people that God created us to be. We are called to be bearers of hope and agents of new life, bringing the light of Christ to a world that is so often shrouded in darkness.

EASTER TIMETABLE 2024:

Holy Saturday: 6.30pm Easter Vigil (no 6.00pm Mass)

The Easter Vigil will begin at 6.30pm. (Ending about 7.30pm). This is the most important Mass of the year - a dramatic proclamation of the Resurrection. Lent ends after the Vigil for those attending it.

Easter Sunday: Mass at 10.30am. Baptisms at 12 noon.

Easter Monday: Mass at 10.00am

Easter is a 50-day celebration, 8 days of intense rejoicing (the octave) and then the rest of 50 days. (So no need to eat all your eggs today!).

Thank you to so many people who have helped us to celebrate Holy Week and Easter so wonderfully and so movingly. It has, without doubt, been a truly spiritual experience. So many people have given their time and talents. We all owe many people a huge debt of thanks. Thank you.

Thank you to the flower arrangers, we are truly blessed by the way they so generously share their gifts and talents for the glory of God and for us. Thank you to those who help clean the church every week. It is such a credit to your hard work that everyone who comes here says how wonderful it looks. As Cardinal Hume used to say a clean church is the first step to a prayerful church.

Becoming a Catholic: If there is any adult who wants to become as Catholic or make 1st Communion and Confirmation please get in touch with Fr Philip. **What Catholics believe about.....** There will be 3 more after Easter, beginning Thursday April 11th at 7.00pm. Open to everyone but with a special invitation to those adults who would like to become Catholics or make their Holy Communion - all welcome.

Warm Lunch: The warm lunches will take place on the 1st and 3rd Friday of every month. The next one is on Friday 5th April. Just turn up to the Parish Hall from 12 noon (food usually served at 12.30). All welcome. Warm lunches will continue until the end of May.

Churches Food Share: Suggested: Pasta, sauces, herbs, rice, cereals.

Newsletter: If you want to get a copy of the newsletter on-line send a request, including your name and email to: holyrosary@rcaol.org.uk

Eucharistic Ministers: We are hoping to have a course to commission some more Eucharistic Ministers, those who can help at Mass and / or take communion to the housebound and sick. Please let Fr Philip know if you could do this.

Marriage Preparation: The 3 Deaneries of Sefton have been invited to pilot a new Diocesan marriage preparation course. We need some volunteers to be trained from each parish. Can you help? The training will be on 13th April from 1030 - 2.00pm at St Monica's Parish Club. We have had one volunteer - any more?

Easter Bingo and Games night: Friday 12th April 7.00pm - 9.00pm, in the Parish Hall. Tickets £2.00 each. Children under 11 go free (but will need a ticket). Prize bingo, and fun games for all. Bring your own drinks and snacks for a fun night. Games include Play Your Cards Right! Prizes will be bottles of gin and whiskey.

Card Reader: We have a card reader at the church inner door for donations. Thank you to those who have used it.

Easter Bunny Walk - Mon 1 April at 11am: The Easter Bunny Walk for the Liverpool Lourdes Pilgrimage will take place on 1 April, from St Gregory the Great, Lydiate, to Our Lady, and back, and guests of all ages and dogs are welcome. Each person will get a water bottle, bunny ears, and an Easter egg. The walk costs £8 per person, or £20 for a family of 4.

The **Parish Hall** will be closed to all users the week beginning Monday 22nd April. This will enable us to refurbish the toilet and to rebuild broken walls, put new flooring down and re-tile the bathroom. No one will be allowed to use the building that week. Money towards this was raised at the Christmas raffle - £700 of the estimated bill of £1476.

Baptisms: Congratulations to Amy Brown and Nikodem Szkopiak baptised on Easter Sunday.

Announcement: On Wednesday it was announced that his holiness Pope Francis has appointed Fr Philip as a member of the Papal Household, with the title Monsignor. (Pray for the Holy Father!)