

RIP Please pray for those who have died recently especially Jimmy Keegan and Elizabeth Parrott and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time including Fr Wilfrid Sheeran, Canon Gerald Hodgson, Fr Walter Edwardes, Fr Joseph Barr, Fr Anthony Browne, Fr Peter Moore, Fr William Smith, Fr Reginald Slade, Fr Patrick Downey, Robert Bell, S Bott, Tracey Bereza, Heather Watson, Peter Griffin, Louis Edward Harridence and Sheila O'Driscoll.

Please remember and pray for our sick parishioners, priests, family and friends including Fr John Bentley, Fr Brendan Donlon, Bishop Michael Evans, Sam Williams, Ian Crawley, Harrison O'Leary, Martin Healy, Mary Lynch, Margery Powell, Kevin McNamara, Kate Hopkins Jim Muldoon, Agnes Heavey, Philomena Butler, Joan Slater, Peggy Law, Barbara Fitzpatrick, Lilly Lawler, Mary Child, Mary Tomlins, Kathleen Rutledge, Margaret Roberts, Eileen Breeze, Tony Gill, John Lawless, Marita Missarao, Vincent Rutter, Anne Peavoy, Phyllis Bracken, John Nephin, Laurence Sullivan, Mrs Evans, Ann Lennie, Mary Wesson, the sick members of Mrs Marklew's family, Mr & Mrs McManus, Ester Wieckowski, Michelle Gilmartin, John Knight, Ryan Green, Ann Thompson, Anne O'Sullivan, Brian McGonnigle, Mary Sullivan, Tom & Debbie Heavey, Kelsie-Sky Cutting, John Lenehan, Myfanwy Fennell, Mary O'Donovan, Anne Adlington, Fr Anthony Sims, baby Toby Towner, Jeremiah Teahan, Anthony Ahern, Andrea Ford, Betty Buggle, Jim Ward, Jane Wilne, Thomas Monaghan, Dave Owen, baby Max, Billy Dooley, Deacon Tony Colby, baby Tess and baby Liam Shaugnassey, and Julie Wellingham.

MINISTRIES

W/C 13 th April	This Week		Next Week	
	6pm	10am	6pm	10am
Reader	Maeve Dorrian	Alan McCarry	Georgia Cutting/ Chloe Rose Fellowes	Charlie Gough
Bidding Prayers	Sheila Lewis	David Smith	Val O'Leary	Sheila Williamson
Eucharistic Ministers	Val O'Leary (H)	Stephanie Allen (H)		
	John Teahan	Trish Starkie		
	Kim Evans	Geraldine Hammersley		
	Trish Masterson	Teresa Marklew		
	Maureen Kirby	Michelle Gilmartin		
Church Cleaning	Teresa & Mary		Collette	
Children's Liturgy	Tricia & Elaine		Kim & Ann	

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 13 th APRIL 2008				
MASS			SERVICES	
Vigil	6.00pm	<i>Jack Sherry (Bridie)</i>	7.00pm Confessions	Fourth Sunday of Easter
Sun	10.00am	<i>People of the Parish</i>		
Sun	6.00pm	HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS TO PRIESTHOOD		World Day of Prayer for Vocations
Mon	9.00am	<i>Joseph Mitchell</i>		Monday of Easter Week 4
Tues	9.00am	<i>Roland Veasey (Fr Jonathan)</i>		Tuesday of Easter Week 4
Wed	9.00am	<i>Intentions of Jack Byrne</i>		Wednesday of Easter Week 4
Thur	8.00am	<i>Deceased of the Flynn Family (McGuinness)</i>		Thursday of Easter Week 4
Fri	9.00am	<i>Ann Cotterill (Tony)</i>		Friday of Easter Week 4
Sat	10.00am	<i>Hugh Gartland (Mary)</i>		Saturday of Easter Week 4
Sat	6.00pm	<i>Raymond Peirson</i>	7.00pm Confessions	Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sun	10.00am	<i>Marie Ainsworth (Annette)</i>		

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Thank you for last week's collection which came to **£519.20.**

200 CLUB: Winning Number 50. Winner: T Marklew receives **£50.00.**

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**Bookings for the Parish Hall can be made by contacting Louise Cawley on 024 7646 2615.
Dear Parishioners,**

Today we celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Easter - Good Shepherd Sunday. In our Gospel reading at Mass, Christ presents himself as the Good Shepherd and the Gate of the Sheepfold. He tells his listeners of the love and care that he has for them; this includes us today as members of his Church.

This Sunday, we are also reminded that, as he prepared to ascend to the Father, Jesus entrusted a role of care and leadership to his apostles. The ministry originally given to the apostles is continued today in Church by bishops, priests and deacons who are called to serve God and his people in a special way.

We are invited to join the universal Church in praying for vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life throughout the world. May God strengthen those he calls and fill them with a generous spirit to respond in love and service of his people

Statistics compiled by the Church's National Office for Vocation reveal that there are currently 160 men training to become priests in England and Wales, the highest figure for a number of years. In 2007, 44 men began priestly formation the same as the previous year, which was the fourth consecutive year in which the Church reported an increase in the number of those beginning seminary.

Whilst the outlook has been more positive over the past few years, we cannot be complacent and must be aware of the challenges: During the 1960's we saw a large number of priests ordained, which was atypical of much of the Church's history in this country. Many of these are now coming up to retirement age and currently, there are not enough men being ordained to replace them; this has led to many dioceses having to rationalise their deployment of priests as well as trying to encourage a younger generation to consider this calling.

Holy Hour for Vocations: This *Sunday evening at 6.00pm*. I ask that as many families in the parish come and join us in this time of prayer before our Lord Jesus in the Eucharist. If you cannot come for the whole hour, why not come for just part of it. It is a true sign of our commitment as a parish to the future life and ministry of our Church.

Priests Training Fund: Please may we ask again for your generosity to this annual collection for the Priests Training Fund? On average it costs over £80,000 to prepare each person who is accepted as a candidate for the priesthood. Last year we contributed to this training fund just over £200. Your generosity is most gratefully appreciated by those who will serve you as your priests in the future.

Farewell: To Martin, Julie, Emily and Keane Harrington who leave our parish this week to live in New Zealand. Our thoughts and prayer go with them as they embark on this new part of their life together.

First Reconciliation: Please remember in your prayer the children who will receive the forgiveness and the healing of the Lord Jesus in the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time this week. Pray that this great gift of freedom and strength will be part of the rest of their lives and pray for their families who will support them.

Extend: Gentle exercise for older people in the Parish Hall on *Wednesday mornings* after Mass. Do come and join in the fun!

Journey in Faith: Our discussions and talks on the Catholic Faith begin again this *Thursday evening* in the Parish Hall. Please do come and join us if you wish to know more about the life of faith we share together.

Parish Pilgrimage to Rome: You will remember that last year we tried to organise a parish pilgrimage to Rome with Fr Paul Moss and some of the parishioners at St Patrick's. Sadly we could not take it forward as there were real problems with hotel accommodation. However, we have now been able to re-schedule this pilgrimage for the half-term week of October 2008 with Fr Paul and his parishioners, in association with Millennium Travel. The proposed dates are *Sunday 26th October until Friday 31st October*. The itinerary for the pilgrimages includes visits to the *Colosseum, St Peter's, the Cattedrals, Trevi Fountain, Piazza Navona and Pantheon, St Paul's Basilica, General Audience with the Pope, St Mary Major Basilica, St John Lateran Basilica and St Clemente Basilica*. Accommodation is reserved at the Hotel Lancelot near the Colosseum. The cost of the pilgrimage is £695 all-inclusive. Initially I have reserved fourteen places for parishioners at St John Vianney. If you are seriously interested in joining us, please pick up a travel programme from the sacristy. Places will be allocated on a first come first served basis.

Fr Jonathan's Diary:

<i>Monday and Tuesday</i>	Various School Meetings
<i>Thursday</i>	Lay Chaplains Training Day, Archbishop's Meeting with Catholic Teachers in Worcestershire,
<i>Friday</i>	RE Department Meetings.

Our Lady's Eastertide Prayer

**Queen of Heaven rejoice Alleluia!
For He whom you were worthy to bear Alleluia!
Is Risen as He said, Alleluia!
Pray for us to God Alleluia!**

Year 3 Families to Light Candles During Bidding Prayers:-

Saturday:	Megan McCormack, Masie McCormick, Breaghanna McMahon, Caitlin McMenamin, Lydia McPhee
Sunday:	Thomas Munnely, Ciara Murphy, Erin Noone, Bobby Normoyle, Olivia O'Rourke.