

ST MARY'S 200 + CLUB WINNERS

For 16th April 2017

No. 164 Peter Connor £50

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LAST SUNDAY

Mass Attendance:

8.30 –

10:30 –

Offertory:

Candles:

Books/Papers:

St. Anthony:

Building Fund:

World Needy:

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Week beginning 30th April

Readers: Megan S. / Diane S.

Ministers: Ania M. / Bridget McC.
Charlie W. / Kath S.

Church Cleaning

Anne Towler group

Children's Liturgy

Jackie J. / Maureen C.

Refreshments after Mass

Kath & Maureen



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Priest: **Fr. Michael Murphy**

Deacon: **Rev. Bill Wright**

Sunday Mass 8.30 a.m. & 10.30 a.m.

Weekdays except Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Mass

Tuesday: 6:40 p.m. Rosary, 7 p.m. Mass

Mondays: 9:45 a.m. Morning Prayer, 10 a.m. Celebration of the Word

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession): **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

Adoration of the Holy Eucharist: **Saturday 10:30-11 a.m.**

EASTER THANKS: Bill and I offer our sincere thanks to all the readers, ministers of the Eucharist and servers who took part in the Sacred Triduum and the Easter Sunday Masses. Thank you to all our musicians and singers who practised so hard and led us so beautifully throughout the Triduum. The final word of thanks must go to the flower arrangers. The flowers in St. Mary's are always impressive, but this must be a best ever! Thank you all!

SONGS OF PRAISE - please place your choice of hymn on the available form and into the red post box at the back of church a.s.a.p. Thank you

"MILES OF SMILES"- Don't forget to reserve your seat for the outing on Friday 19th May. A deposit of £10 is needed when you book. Full details are on fliers on the table at the back of church.

Mill Hill Red Boxes - these may be given to Audrey or Anne after Sunday Masses for emptying during April. Empty boxes may be collected from the back of church. Thank you

Second Sunday of Easter

23rd April 2017

God of life, source of all faith, through the waters of baptism you have raised us up in Jesus and given us life that endures.

Day by day refine our faith, that we who have not seen the Christ may truly confess him as our Lord and god, and share the blessedness of those who believe.

Grant this through Jesus Christ, the resurrection and the life, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

Sunday 23rd Second Sunday of Easter	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Joe Holliday (J.&B.)
MONDAY 24th St. George	10.00 a.m.	Celebration of the Word
TUESDAY 25th St. Mark	7.00 p.m.	Richard Brendan Wright (R.W.& J.B.)
WEDNESDAY 26th	10.00 a.m.	Kath & Charlie Morris (M.M.)
THURSDAY 27th	10.00 a.m.	Debbie Moran (A.O'D.)
FRIDAY 28th	10.00 a.m.	Greta Carus (A.A.)
SATURDAY 29th St. Catherine of Siena	10.00 a.m.	Joseph James Greer (M.McG.)
Next Sunday 30th Third Sunday of Easter	8.30 a.m.	People of the Parish
	10.30 a.m.	Pauline Such (J.&B.)

Please remember in your prayers



»**all the sick**, especially: Zephan Barretto, Greta Carus, Elsie Clapp, Patsy Coll, Catherine Dale, Marianne Delaney, Teresa Drake, Mark Earnshaw (Kathy's brother), Sarah Finley, Marion Gerrard, Jacob Gray, Joseph Higgins, Mary Holden, June Jagger, Rosemary Lovatt, Alison Lyon, Gerry McCaul, Joan Moss, Michael O'Sullivan, Trevor Sandford, Mary Schon, Joe Scott, Mark Surelock, Josie Tester, Frank Ward, Winifred White.

»**the housebound and those in care**, especially: David Ball, Peggie Ball, Thomas Ball, Bessie Burns, John Donnelly, Florrie Garrett, Brenda McCaul, Walter Myerscough, Marjorie Richardson, Doris Roberts, Monica Syms, Pamela Warwick



>>**those who have died recently**: Debbie Moran, Dorothy Valentine
and also those whose anniversaries are this coming week: Stanley Duxbury, David Wilding, Elicia Vaughan, Basil Greer, Gladys Roberts, Richard Wright, Stephen Davies, David Fitzmaurice, Kathleen Clarkson, Patricia Slinn, Jean Rimmer, John Wilson

THE WORD AHEAD - Next Sunday's Gospel

Read **The Gospel for Sunday 30th April Third Sunday of Easter**
Luke 24:13-35 The Journey to Emmaus

After spending a few minutes considering this Gospel, continue by reading Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection.

This attractive and delicate narrative is the story of the journey to faith in the Risen Christ: it occurs in any Christian instruction, and especially in the Eucharist, which begins with the teaching of the scriptures, and then is brought to its fulfilment in the Sacrament. The two disciples (are they man and woman, as so often in Luke, perhaps Cleopas and his wife?) start off deep in depression and disappointment. But they are open-minded and willing to learn as the Stranger explains to them from scripture the meaning of events. Their hearts burn within them at the Stranger's words, but their eyes remain closed. It is only in the sacramental meal that they recognise the Risen Christ. This is the story of any Christian instruction, culminating in the Eucharist, for the Eucharist is a sacrament of initiation, bringing us to the intimate, personal encounter with Christ. Once they have been enlightened and have learnt the profound meaning of the events, the truth of the scriptures and the resurrection, then the disciples return to the Holy City and carry on their own Christian apostolate by spreading the news of the resurrection. This is the shape of the Christian vocation which we all receive, to assimilate and pass on the meaning of Christ's resurrection.

How can we learn the meaning of Christ's resurrection? How can we spread the message of Jesus?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

Diary

SHARING OUR FAITH: *The final session of this series will take place on Friday, 28th April, at 4.00p.m. in the Presbytery.*

Deanery Eastertide Masses :- As has become the custom in our Deanery, there will be the celebration of a weekly Deanery Mass throughout the Easter season. The 1st will be next Wednesday, 26th April, at St. John's Poulton. St. John's is a lovely church and is the oldest parish in the Deanery, dating from 1813. Please make the effort to go. If anyone needs a lift, there are spare seats in my car. Fr. Michael

Tickets for the Dinner Dance on 6th May: Only today and next Sunday remain before this event. Please make sure you have paid the full amount. Thank you. **Also, any prizes for the raffle on that evening would be greatly appreciated. Please see Father or Bill.**