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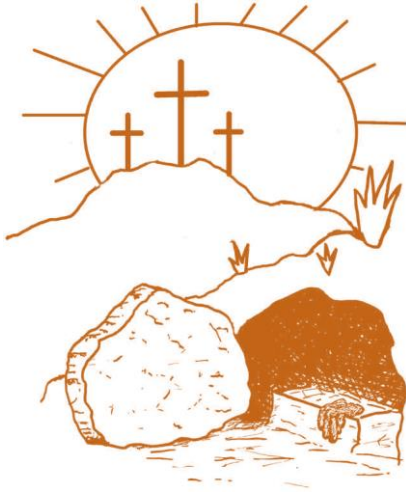
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Saturday 3rd/Sunday 4th April 2021

Easter Sunday - Alleluia! Alleluia!



***EASTER
JOY AND
PEACE
BE YOURS***

May the love of the risen Christ and the hope which His Resurrection gave to mankind be yours today and always.

***May the peace of Christ be with you
all this Easter***

**Fr. John Mark
Deacon Jim**

The joy of Easter fills all the earth.
Death has been conquered.
Easter is the victory.

This is the day Christ broke the chains of death and rose in triumph from the grave.

Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus is the basis of our hope of eternal life; a hope which enables us to bear patiently the trials of life, especially at this difficult time for us all. Therefore, let there be a quiet joy among us and a deep sense of peace because we know that life is stronger than death, love is stronger than fear and hope is stronger than despair.

May God Bless You All

MASSES & SERVICES NEXT WEEK

Monday and Friday - Mass at 10.00 a.m.

Saturday - Mass at 6.30 p.m.

Sunday - Mass at 10.00 a.m.

Thursday - Funeral Service at 11.00 a.m. for
Maureen Ryan

MASS INTENTIONS

William O'Donnell, George Benson, Phyllis Gunson, In Honour of St. Joseph and In Thanksgiving for all Blessings Received.

MASSES TO BE SAID NEXT WEEK

Monday 5th April

Joyce Windsor

Friday 9th April

Donita Green

Saturday 10th April

Walter & Isabelle Dyke
and Nicholas Paul Oulton

Sunday 11th April

William O'Donnell

THE POPE'S 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.

THANK YOU!!!

A Sincere Thanks to all who have helped in any way in our preparations for Easter and to those who have assisted at our Easter services.

Again we offer our thanks to our very loyal band of stewards who have, over the past 12 months, and are continuing, to keep our church cleaned and sanitised owing to the current restrictions. It is because of them that we have been able to stay open throughout these troubled times.



YOUR PRAYERS PLEASE

For Sam Dowd, Eric Grimes, Jackie Lyons, Bernadette Benson, Donald and Ingrid Whiles, Michelle Riley, Raine Tallon, Mary

Gallagher, Joan Muir, Susan Lavelle, Teresa Flanagan, May Eccles, Marian Roberts, Gerard Renaudin, Joan Sullivan, Rudolph Carlisle, Creena Hamilton, Sarah Gaile, Members of the Wood and Madden Families, Kath Turner, Bob Partington and all who are sick.

For the housebound and those in hospital.

For carers and all who are anxious for the health of their loved ones.

For the relief, comfort and solace of all refugees and the homeless.

For missionaries and for all victims of strife and terrorism.

For peace in all the troubled areas of our world.

For our clergy and all our parishioners.

For all who are battling the Corona Virus and those risking their own lives and safety to care for them.

Our Lady, our Mother, comfort of the afflicted, pray for them.

For all who have died recently, especially George Benson and Maureen Ryan, for William O'Donnell and all others whose anniversaries occur about this time and for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory.

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace

MASS ATTENDANCES LAST WEEK

Saturday 27 th March - 6.30 p.m.	34
Sunday 28 th March - 10.00 a.m.	54

COLLECTIONS LAST WEEK

Saturday 27 th /Sunday 28 th March	£352.50
Back Envelopes	£275.00

If you prefer to sign a Standing Order or undertake a Bank Transfer, please use the following details:

A/c Name: Parish of St. Gregory, Preston

A/c No: 81335332

Sort Code: 40-27-02

Please make sure you add your name to the payment, especially if you are a Gift Aider so we can claim back the tax.

SINCERE THANKS for an anonymous donation of £300.00 to church funds.

GIFT AID

The new Gift Aid envelopes are now due. Unfortunately there has been a delay in delivery but we hope to get them to you in the next two weeks.

We thank you for your ongoing support to the parish during the last twelve months and we hope that this will continue in the future.

If you are a taxpayer and contribute regularly to the church, then you may consider joining the scheme. It does not cost you anything but we can claim back, for church funds, the tax on all that you pay. All you need to do is to fill in a form.

For more information, please contact Deacon Jim or Harry Oulton.

LENTEN LUNCHESES

Although we were unable to hold our Lenten Lunches this year, we have received £110.00 in donations for Rwanda. Sincere thanks.

READINGS NEXT WEEK

Monday	Acts/Apostles 2 vv 14, 22-33	Matthew 28 vv 8-15
Tuesday	Acts/Apostles 2 vv 36-41	John 20 vv 11-18
Wednesday	Acts/Apostles 3 vv 1-10	Luke 24 vv 13-35
Thursday	Acts/Apostles 3 vv 11-26	Luke 24 vv 35-48
Friday	Acts/Apostles 4 vv 1-12	John 21 vv 1-14
Saturday	Acts/Apostles 4 vv 13-21	Mark 16 vv 9-15
Sunday	- Second Sunday of Easter Acts/Apostles 4 vv 32-35 John 5 vv 1-6 John 20 vv 19-31	

PARISH NEWSLETTER

Items for inclusion should be e-mailed to Marian Vaughn marianvaughn362@gmail.com or put through the door of the parish house. Please let us have them by the Tuesday before the date of publication.

FOOD BANK APPEAL

There are boxes at church for any items you can give which will be taken to the Salvation Army. Especially welcome are tea, coffee, sugar, UHT long life milk and meals in a tin e.g. meat - also, anything suitable for homeless people with no cooking facilities. However, the Centre is not able to accept alcoholic drinks.

The Food Banks are experiencing a greater demand than ever owing to the Pandemic; many claims from workers who are furloughed or have lost their jobs.