

Good News!

7th April 2019 • Fifth Sunday of Lent

Welcome to everyone at Mass today, especially if you are new to our church or haven't been to Mass for some time. Practising Catholics, clear in conscience that they are properly prepared, may receive **holy communion**. Others are invited to come forward for a **blessing**. If so, please place your hand on your heart to indicate this to the priest, deacon or minister.



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Masses, Intentions & other services

Check mass intentions online at bit.ly/mass-intentions

7th April • 5th Sunday of Lent • New Start

Sat 6 5pm Violet Huskinson
Sun 7 8am John & Floss Probert RIP
10.30am Tom & Brenda Murphy RIP

Mon 8 9.30am at Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford
Tue 9 9.15am Norma Rowley RIP
Wed 10 9.15am John Taylor RIP (School mass)
Thu 11 9.15am Paul & Ann Hender (50th Wedding Anniversary)
1.45pm Holy Souls (at St Thomas More)
Fri 12 6.30pm for Victims and Survivors of Abuse
Sat 13 10am Robert Hunt RIP

14th April • Palm Sunday • Praise

Sat 13 5pm Robert Clarke RIP
Sun 14 8am Sylvia Robinson RIP
10.30am Margaret & Patrick Vickery RIP

Friday is the Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse Mass 6.30pm, followed by Stations of the Cross.

Stations of the Cross: Sun 4pm (not 7th), Fridays 7pm

Baptism 7th April 12pm Rose Amelia Sheppard, 1pm Lael Will Tatenda Exton.

Children's Liturgy Sun 10.30 Mass

Exposition (Holy Hour) Saturdays 9am to 9.50am

Rosary 8.50am before Mass on Thursday and Friday; and first Saturday of each month at 9.40am with the intentions of the unborn. Prayer cards are available.

Morning Prayer 9.40am Saturday (not first Saturday).

Confessions usually Sat 9-9.50am, 10.30-11am, 4.30-4.50pm.

Parish Income 31st March £558.57 (£194.10 Gift Aid), Parish Development Fund £388.46 (£50.51 Gift Aid). Thank you!

Second Collections April: 7th Easter Flowers, 12th Cyclone Idai (Cafod), 19th Holy Places, 21st April Easter Offerings. A full list of second collections is here: bit.ly/2LQNZKN

Diocesan Newsletter for April bit.ly/2OVKdRR

APF boxes in for April please.

Large candles cost £1 each. If you are unable to pay £1, please use one of the 20p candles.

Neither do I condemn you ...

Cyclone Idai Second Collection

Christine Allen, the recently appointed Director of CAFOD, requests, with the encouragement of the Archbishop, that our parishes to hold a second collection in the wake of the recent terrible emergency in Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi caused by Cyclone Idai. This will take place on next weekend of 11/12 April.

Hednesford

Pilgrimage Sun July 7th 50th Anniversary Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Diocesan Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes in Hednesford, Archbp Bernard, Mass at 3pm. Poster: bit.ly/2UWZswj

100 Club: please return envelopes ASAP, so that we can finalise this years membership. hanks to all who have already rejoined! If you need to cancel, please return envelope marked "cancelled". Contact Veronica 07808899239
New Life Sale Sunday April 7th 6pm - 8pm at New Life Tickets £5.

Eggs please! Donations of Creme eggs and similar for the children on Easter Day! Thanks also for knitted chicks.

Friendship Club

The Friendship Club is part of the Asda green token scheme from April 2 to 30 June in Cannock Asda Store. Vote for them please for more funds.

Archbishop's Pastoral letter: the full text is at the back of the Church or may be downloaded here: bit.ly/2OSnQNj

Food Bank Thank you for your continued donations. We collected 35.4 kg of food in March Please keep these donations coming!

Purple hangings for Passiontide will be put up on Thursday morning after mass. Can you help?

Holy Week readers, ministers and feet for washing - please put your names on the draft rota at the back of the Church.

Easter Offerings At all Easter masses, the first collection is the Easter Offering for your Parish Priest. Envelopes if required, are available in Church. the Second Collection is the collection for the Parish.

Do you Gift Aid? If you pay tax - you should. If you don't - ask for a form. If you do already - make sure you collect your new envelopes.

Fr Peter

MacDonalds for the homeless. Callum and William Pearce have come up with the idea of asking for donations of winning McDonald's vouchers (from drink cups and fries) to distribute through the Foodbank to those who are less fortunate. They will speak at the end of masses this weekend.

St Mary's Centre 01543 579364

Sunday Carvery 12-4pm £6.95
 Wednesday Carvery 5.30-8pm 2 for £10
 Thursday 5.30-8pm 2 for £10 (OAP £4 each)
 Friday 5.30pm-8.30pm from 2 for £10
 @cannockreclub
 All functions catered for

Lent and Holy Week

Believe

Journey of Faith and Lent group on the Creed
 Tuesday 9th April 7.30pm (last meeting)
 Centenary Hall, Our Lady of Lourdes, Hednesford

Stations of the Cross

Sundays 4pm (not April 7th) and Fridays 7pm
 Good Friday 12pm and 7pm

Shadow of the Cross

St. Stephen's Gospel Choir
 Tuesday April 16th 7pm

The Holy Triduum

18th to 20th April

Maundy Thursday 7pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday 12 & 7pm Stations of the Cross
 3pm Liturgy of the Cross

Easter Vigil (Sat) 7pm Mass and Ceremonies

Easter Day 8am Mass
 10.30am Family Mass

Easter Monday 10am Mass

Breakfast in the Centre 10am till 2pm £5 each

Please Pray ...

... for all those suffering in Mozambique, Malawi and Zimbabwe after Cyclone Idai.

... The Holy Father's Prayer Intention: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war-torn areas, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.

... for the 'Ladies in White' of Cuba, who go to Mass dressed in white then silently walk through the streets to remind the government that they are still awaiting the release of their unjustly detained family members. Many of them will be harassed, beaten or detained to stop them attending church.

... for our country, the government and all involved in the difficult political situation at present

... for the sick or housebound: Don McCulloch, Mary Rowley, Helen Pawlak, Kath Turner, Stella Skillen, Winifride Haynes, Annette Mason, Doris Crabb, Joanne Jeavons, Nicola McCulloch, Celia Hurdiss, Dee Fellows, David Holt, Theresa Hadley, Sandra Avery, Fr Pat Farrelly, June Weatherby.

... for those in our parish receiving communion at home: Mary Kirby, Norah

Perry, Peter Clamp, Don and Breeda Hinton, Gerry Marriott, Billie Wyles, Maria Wacławski, Catherine Holloway, Bernard Deakin, Iris Robertson, Mary Casey.

... for those preparing to receive the sacraments at Easter

... for those undergoing or recovering from treatment or otherwise in particular need of our prayers: Martyn Jeavons, Tony Gaughan, Katie Bruce, Anne Costello, John Morris, Vincent Dockery, Peter Garnett, Hannah Newborough, Peter Clamp, Kevin O'Mahony, Ray Bishop, Audrey George, Mitek Karasinska, Geoff Tipping, Josie Riley, James B, Helen, Fr Neil Bayliss

The Holy Souls

.... for the recently departed: Deacon Louis Livesey, Norman Wootton, Theo Brennan-Hulme

... for those with anniversaries about this time: 7th Emma Madigan; 8th (Baby) Noah Wilson; 9th James Cranney, Norman Hollowood; 10th Austin Dudley; 11th Joyce Bowen; 12th Bernadette Hollowood, 13th Robert Hunt.

Thanksgivings

... for birthdays!

Full rota is at bit.ly/cannockparishrota

ROTAS	Readers Sat 5pm	Ministers Sat 5pm	Readers Sun 8am	Ministers Sick Visiting	Readers Sun 10.30am	Ministers Sun 10.30am	Counters	Cleaning	Stole Washing
April 7th Lent 5	Francois Gray Cath Hunt	Gail & David Korzonek, C Bridges, C Jackson	Shirley Weatherby	D & M Hibberts	E Sargeant Wendy Owens	Eileen Clancy, Julie Kennedy, Pat Johnson, Sister	E Clancy, G Dockery	Team 4 M & B Briggs M Simpson	Pat Seery
April 14th Palm Sunday	Josie Morris Clare Jackson	D Bruce, C Hunt Teresa Smith M Sargeant	Michael Burrowes	A & R Hinsley	Javier & Zach	P & C Garnett Jo Burrowes & R Cranney	Michael Seavers David Gleve	Team 5 A Spencer V Brookes, M Tym	Pat Seery