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Sunday 9 April Solemnity of The Resurrection of The Lord

Easter Sunday

8.30am Mass intention for: Donal O'Mahony R.I.P.

10.30am Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

Monday 10 April Easter Monday, Solemnity

No Public Mass today Mass intention for: Private Intention

Tuesday 11 April Easter Tuesday, Solemnity

10.00am Mass intention for: Margaret Tovey-Hughes R.I.P.

Wednesday 12 April Easter Wednesday, Solemnity

10.00am Mass intention for: Private Intention

Thursday 13 April Easter Thursday, Solemnity

11.00am Mass intention for: Will & Gabby Silsby

Friday 14 April Easter Friday, Solemnity

11.00am Mass intention for: Jeanne Round

Saturday 15 April Easter Saturday

10.00am Mass intention for: Catalino Apuda Sr. R.I.P.

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.

Sunday 16 April Second Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday

8.30am Mass intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P.

10.30am Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

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<u>The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets</u> may be downloaded from: www.wednesdayword.org/parish/index.htm (click on The Parish Version)
The **DISCUSSION GROUP** usually meet on **WEDNESDAY MORNINGS** following Mass but for the next couple of weeks the meetings are suspended to **resume on Wednesday 19 April.** The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone. Do come along for a coffee and an exchange of ideas!

Where two or tome together in name, there I with them."

Matt 18:20 Anniversaries in April: Rev Clement Harris (1905), Edward M Hailes (1955), Charles Cantillon (1985), Bridget Needham (1991), Michael Brown (1992), Elizabeth Eardley (2002), Mary Murray (2003), Piers Thompson (2004), Franz Tschak (2005), Mary Dolores Lloyd-Jones (2007), George Oakes (2009), Laurence Rochford (2011), Leonard Eynsham (2016), Maureen Trow (2018), Charles Paice (2019), Margaret Bradley (2020) Sylvia Florence Waling (2020) Patricia Kelly (2022)

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the souls of John Weston who died on Thursday 23rd March.

(John's Requiem Mass will be held at St Peter's, Bromsgrove on Monday 17th April at 10.45am) Bishop David McGough who died on Saturday 25th March

(Bishop David's funeral will be held at St Chad's Cathedral, Birmingham on Thursday 20th April)

In your prayers please remember those who are sick and asked for our prayers: Deirdre Brookes, Beth Downing, Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Elizabeth Howell, Angela MacGarrow, Ann Murphy, Pamela Mortiboy, John & Ellen Mottram, Patricia Newton, Ann Parry, Bridget Rochford, Karen Wright,



... for all your offerings and donations.

Contributions to the Parish: 26 March-2 April

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: £316.00 Gift Aid Envelopes: £155.00 Loose cash: £301.47



EASTER OFFERINGS to Fr John.

Labelled envelopes are available from the table in the porch should you wish to make an offering to him during the Easter Season. They may be placed either with the collections taken in church or given directly to Fr John.

Direct Debit, gift aid forms are available from the table in the porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.

OFFERTORY DONATIONS on SUNDAYS will be taken in the pews. On OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK offerings may be placed in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar.

PLEASE DO NOT LEAVE MONEY OR ENVELOPES CONTAINING MONEY IN THE PORCH. If you should wish to make a donation when Mass is not taking place and the church is otherwise empty, please post your offering (in an envelope) in the letterbox in the door of the



Priest's House.

COVID PRECAUTIONS: If members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a 'Please Leave Space' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER:

Valerie Nolan, sq.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk

If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240. If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000.

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Peter Boszko, hs.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk **EMERGENCY EXIT from the church:** is via the sacristy and through the house.



Fr Richard joins Fr John in sending best wishes and Easter Blessings to all St Mary's parishioners.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

Children who will be 8 years old by June this year, who regularly attend Mass at St Mary's and do not go to a Catholic School, are eligible to be prepared by a parish catechist to take the sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. The children will receive each of the sacraments for the first time on the weekend of 10th & 11th June.

Children who will be 11 years old by September this year, who regularly attend Mass at St Mary's and do not go to a Catholic School, are eligible to be prepared by a parish catechist to receive the sacrament of Confirmation.

Parents or guardians of these children are invited to complete a relevant form, available from the table in the porch. As the forms will give personal details about children please post these in the labelled, secure box provided on the table.

... to be held in the garden of the Priest's House here at St Mary's on Saturday 24th June. We would be glad to have new ideas for Summer Fete stalls and attractions as well as keeping some of the tried and tested elements too. Offers of major prizes for the Grand Raffle would also be very welcome. Please email the parish office:

(stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk) with your ideas and/or to volunteer your help.



The Harvington **BOOK GROUP** are reading *Tales of a Country* Parish by Colin Heber-Percy and will meet to discuss the book on Monday 17 April at 9.30am in the Stable. Newcomers welcome.



The Harvington **CRAFT GROUP** are meeting again at Rowberry's Tea Rooms on Wednesday 12th April at 1.30pm to continue working on the church pew cushions project. Even if you have never been to one of these Craft Group meetings before, come along on Wednesday and try your hand at a new skill!



THE ARCHDIOCESE OF BIRMINGHAM is seeking up to five enthusiastic Choral Directors to work with the Programme Director to implement, deliver and develop the National Schools Singing Programme within the Archdiocese. The positions are suitable for new graduates, offering a permanent contract, based in Coventry/Warwickshire and in Staffordshire, to start this September.

To find out more please visit the Jobs page of the Diocesan website: www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Pages/FAQs/Category/jobs

