## University of Warwick Chaplaincy

# Third Sunday of Easter 15th April, 2018

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(Mass times this week, at St. Joseph's unless otherwise stated)

Sunday, 15 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00 am	Eddie Kelly RIP
Third Sunday of Easter	11.00 am	Intentions of the Ordinariate
	12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy)	Private Intention
	5.00 pm	The People of the Parish
Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00 am	Agnes McGinley (Birthday)
Easter Feria	7.00 pm	Fr. Paul's Intentions
Tuesday, 17 <sup>th</sup> April	No Mass Today	
Easter Feria	-	
Wednesday, 18th April	10.00 am	Forgotten Souls
Easter Feria	6.00 pm Reception of Elizabeth Conry	
	7.00 pm	Mary Barrett (intentions)
Thursday, 19th April	11.00 am Requiem Mass	Elizabeth Conry
Easter Feria	7.00 pm	Fr. Paul's Intentions
Friday, 20 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00 am	Mary Brogan
Easter Feria	10.30-6.00 Exposition	
Day of Prayer for the Dedication of St.	6.00 pm Evening Prayer and Benediction	
Joseph the Worker Church		
Saturday, 21st April	10.00 am <i>followed by Exposition</i>	Fr. Paul's Intentions
Op. Memorial of St. Anselm, Bishop	2.00 pm <i>(Baptism)</i>	Charlie Harry Rogers
Sunday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	9.00 am	The People of the Parish
Fourth Sunday of Easter	11.00 am	Intentions of the Ordinariate
	12.30 pm (University Chaplaincy)	Private Intention
World Day of Prayer for Vocations	5.00 pm	Esther Masterson RIP (Anniversary)
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday, 10.30-11.30 am.		



#### The Easter Season

We are still celebrating the Easter Season which began on Easter Sunday, and ends after Evening Prayer on Pentecost Sunday. These fifty days are a very special time and, as St. Athanasius wrote, they "are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one great Sunday."

Welcome to our Mass in the Chaplaincy today, especially if you are just visiting for the holiday.

Sacred Head of Jesus, Seat of Divine Wisdom, enlighten us! Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for us! St Thomas Aquinas, patron of students, pray for us! St Joseph of Cupertino, patron of those taking exams, pray for us!

#### **DEDICATION OF ST. JOSEPH'S**

His Grace, Archbishop Bernard Longley, will dedicate our church on the Feast of St. Joseph the Worker, 1st May. That's only two weeks on Tuesday. Please pray hard for the parish. Thank you very much.

So what *is* happening on Tuesday, 1st May? It will be a very important day in the life of our parish; the day when our church is dedicated to the service of God and made ever-holy by the coming of the Holy Spirit. The Mass of Dedication will be celebrated by Archbishop Bernard, and the Priests of the Deanery will concelebrate, together with the Deacons. It will start at 7.00 in the evening. Before Mass there will be prayers from about 6.30pm, so please arrive in good time. We are expecting about 200 people to attend, including representatives from other parishes in the area and ecumenical guests. The Mass will probably last a bit over 2 hours. After Mass there will be refreshments served from the hall and a marquee in the garden, and there will be a celebration with fireworks (pray for good weather!).

### **Prayer Before Mass**

God our Father, you sent Jesus, our High Priest, to redeem us and you willed that His saving work should continue through the ministry of priests. Enlighten us to celebrate this Sunday Mass with our priest, so that, empowered by the Word of life and the Eucharist, we may be strengthened by the Holy Spirit to live to the full our Christian calling. We ask this through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Easter Duties. Remember! The Church says that all Catholics who have made their First Holy Communion should receive the Holy Eucharist sometime between Ash Wednesday and Pentecost Sunday. They should also take part in the Sacrament of Penance before receiving Communion.

"A Retreat in Daily Life": during Week 3 of the summer term there will be the chance to do a retreat which fits around your work commitments. With the stress of term 3, this is a great opportunity to take time out, relax, reflect and pray under the guidance of a trained spiritual director. I highly recommend it. See me for more details.

Lancaster Diocese Youth Service, based at Castlerigg Manor, Keswick, are looking for young adults to join their gap-year team this August. Spending a year living and working in a community centred on our faith, this is an opportunity to share your faith with others and develop new skills. www.castleriggmanor.co.uk

Westminster Youth Ministry ask "Are you being called to join us for a year as a Volunteer Missionary?" They offer Community, Ministry, Formation, and Prayer. If you are interested and want more details, please see me.

**Parish Day of Recollection.** To help us to prepare as a parish for the Dedication of our church there will be a Day of Recollection here this Friday, 20<sup>th</sup> April. Start with Mass at 10.00am and there will be a talk, prayer before the Blessed Sacrament, closing with Benediction at 6.00pm. You've guessed it – there's a list to sign if you can commit to being here at a particular time, please.

Novena to St. Joseph. We always pray a Novena to St. Joseph the Worker in the nine days prior to



the Feast on 1<sup>st</sup> May, for our Parish and for guidance for the future, but obviously this year it has a special meaning for us. We shall start next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. There are copies of the Novena prayer on the table, please take copies for yourself and others who may want one.

**Music Practice.** There will be a practice for the music for the Mass of Dedication tomorrow (Monday) evening at 8.00pm at St. Joseph's. All welcome.

Walsingham Pilgrimage. A coach will leave Christ the King for the Diocesan Walsingham Pilgrimage on Saturday, 12<sup>th</sup> May, at 8.00am. There will be no other pickup points. Payment will be in advance and places can be booked through Fiona at Christ the King Parish Office (024 76 591618). Cost will be £15 per person, and this includes the Diocesan Affiliation fee.

**Medugorje Youth Festival**, 31st July - 7th Aug. There will be a meeting at St Thomas More, in the Margaret Roper Room, at 5.00pm next Sunday, 22<sup>nd</sup> April. It will include a brief history, informal discussion on the trip and prayers. Mass to follow, all welcome.

A message from CAFOD. "Thank you for your support to our Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD until 12<sup>th</sup> May will be doubled by the UK Government. We have planned a £5 million programme to combat malnutrition - and with it we hope to be able to reach 245,000 people. But we need the full amount of match funding to make it happen. You can help us reach the full amount needed for this crucial programme. We still have some way to go yet! To donate please go to cafod.org.uk/lent"

Liturgy Matters! The Society of St Gregory are holding a Spring Gathering Day at St Thomas More's Church on Saturday, 5th May, 10.00-4.30, with talks, liturgies and workshops. There will be a particular focus on planning and preparing for Mass. All welcome, particularly anyone involved in parish ministry. The day will begin with registration at 10.00am and Morning Prayer at 10.15. Mgr Kevin McGinnell will look at the basic principles and explore what is needed for a worthy celebration of Mass. The workshops will be in the afternoon. The day will end with Mass. The cost is £10 per person (bring your own packed lunch). Bookings by calling Mary Rouse (07540 532785) or emailing bookings@ssg.org.uk

**Tailpiece:** Five-year-old Brian had a vital part to play in his Easter school assembly: it was his job to announce "He is not here; he is risen" (Luke 24:6). Unfortunately, he forgot what to say, and the teacher had to whisper it to him. He then confidently grabbed the microphone and shouted, "He's not here; he's in prison!"

May God bless you & all those whom you love. Fr. Harry