

St Peter's Bulletin for Sunday 12th April 2020 - Easter Sunday - Year A

Until further notice, Mass continues to be celebrated by Fr David in private.

Easter Sunday (Sat Vigil)	The Parish
Easter Sunday Morning 12 th	St Joseph's Parish
Easter Sunday Afternoon 12 th	St Joseph's Intention
Easter Monday 13 th	Private Intention
Easter Tuesday 14 th	St Joseph's Intention
Easter Wednesday 15 th	Olive Shepherd
Easter Thursday 16 th	Patrick Sumner RIP
Easter Friday 17 th	St Joseph's Intention
Easter Saturday 18 th	The Blacoe Family
Low Sunday (Vigil)	The Parish

Confessions are not currently available except for those who are seriously ill.

A Blessed & Peaceful Easter to all!

Although we are still in lockdown, we can still celebrate our Saviour Jesus Christ who broke through a far more profound lockdown – that of the stone-cold tomb – to a life that nothing can lock down: eternal life. Jesus is the Way, the Truth, and the Life. He is the Way to an inner freedom that gives life even when we cannot come and go as we wish. He is the Truth of who we really are and who and what we are called to be and do. He is the Life that has no limit, the Light that the darkness cannot overcome. We should rejoice that He has saved us and given us a hope not dependant on government restrictions or physical limitations. 'That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king thy mercy show!'

How to make an Act of Perfect Contrition

Through an act of Perfect Contrition, you receive pardon for your sins outside of confession, even mortal sins, on condition that you determine to amend your life and make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as this becomes possible for you.

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift throughout the day prior to making your act of contrition: "My God, grant me perfect contrition for all my sins".

1. In reality or imagination kneel at the foot of a crucifix and say to yourself: "Jesus, my God and my Saviour, in the midst of your agony, you remembered me, you suffered for me, you wished to wipe away my sins".
2. Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent of your sins because you love God and are sorry for offending Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have brought our Lord to His sufferings on the Cross. Promise him, that with His help, you will not sin again.
3. Recite, slowly and sincerely, an act of contrition focused on the goodness of God and your love of Jesus: "O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you and by the help of your grace I will not sin again. Amen".
4. Make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as practically possible.

There are no regular Holy Communion visits until further notice. Visits to the sick will be made only on request when someone is seriously ill.

How to make a Spiritual Communion

Desire, with earnest longing, to receive our Lord present — Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity — in the Blessed Sacrament. Say this prayer of St. Alphonsus de' Ligouri:

"My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You are already there, I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You; do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen".

Live-Streaming & Recorded Masses:

For St Joseph's / St Peter's (Recorded): <https://www.stpeterslytham.co.uk/>
<https://st-josephsandsell.net/> and select 'Videos'

For Holy Family, Freckleton & Warton follow:

<https://www.facebook.com/StAnneandHolyfamily/>

For Our Lady of the Assumption, Blackpool: <https://www.olablackpool.org/> (Recorded)

For Our Lady Star of the Sea & St Michael, Workington follow: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/christ-the-good-shepherd>

Our Lady of Furness, Barrow: <https://camsecure.co/httpswebcam/owenbayliss/owenbayliss5.html>

PARISH FINANCES

None of us knows how long the present emergency will last and how long it will be before we can resume Sunday Mass. Some parishioners, realising that we still have bills to pay (but no Sunday collection coming in apart from standing orders) have enquired about making their Offertory contribution via online banking. This is a facility that we are pleased to encourage and would be grateful if as many people as possible could support the parish in this way during these difficult times. If you are able to help in this way, please contact us via the parish website, using the contact button (top right hand corner of the Home Page). We will then be pleased to send you the necessary account details. Rest assured that contributing in this way is equally as confidential as is using your Offertory Envelope, as only the clergy have access to the parish's bank statements.

We wish to thank, most sincerely, those parishioners who responded when this appeal was first made last week. We still need more people to help us in this way. If you are able to do so, please give it serious consideration. **Thank you.**

Standing Orders & Online Banking:
Contributions received in March:- **£1,016.00.**
Thank you for your generous support.

THE MONTH OF APRIL - is dedicated to the Holy Spirit. To believe in the Holy Spirit is to profess that the Holy Spirit is one of the persons of the Holy Trinity, consubstantial with the Father and the Son: with the Father and the Son he is worshipped and glorified. The Holy Spirit is the Person of Love in the life of God. He is also like a breath, an inspiration of infinite Love, from which we draw the breath of life.

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:

Please continue to pray for:

Joan Keefe, Frank Loftus, Jennie Antoine, Anne Jones, Margaret Baldwin, Jean Bolton, Graham Bentley, Mgr Jim Hook, Fred & Mary Wylie, Bobby Kelly, Ruth Whiteside, Anne Smith, Kath Hywel-Buckley, Joe Ainsworth, Rose Moss, John Lavelle, Mattie Simpson, Margaret Fearn, Joan Woodcock, Iain Fair, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & the Convents.

May God give them His healing grace.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur about this time:

Joan Turpin, Joseph Morris, Robert Waring, John Kettle, Molly Noblet, Anne Beesley, Elizabeth Weaver, Barbara Royle, Peter Doherty, Winnie Moxham, Lily Simpson, Frederick Chwastiak, Thomas Rooney, Cyril Bould, Elizabeth Hayes, Frank Makinson, Gertrude Davies, Peter Stappard Jnr, Ted Ashton, Stella Wilson, Richard Moss.

May they rest in peace. Amen.

Reminder:

Sunday 19th April, Low Sunday, is **Feast of Divine Mercy.**

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