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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR APRIL 2024

For the Role of Women

This month's prayer intention is "that the dignity and richness of women be recognized in all cultures, and for an end to the discrimination they suffer in various parts of the world."

Dates	OLOL MASS TIMES	SJF MASS TIMES
SATURDAY EASTER OCTAVE 06.04.2024	9.30 am: Holy Mass (Charles Leng; Thea Murray+; Peter Ip+) 4.00pm: Cantonese Mass (Peter Ip+)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Fr Donald Hillier+; Phillippa Quenby+)
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER 07.04.2024	8.45 am: Holy Mass (Helen Eades+, Fr Joseph O.F.M., Marie-Antoinette Lardet+, John Frederick Kimberley+) 11.15 am: Holy Mass (Sheila Stellitano+, Arthur Suggett+, Dorothy Eyre+)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Pro populo);
MONDAY 08.04.2024 THE ANNUNCIATION OF THE LORD	9.30 am: Holy Mass (Mary Bailey+ Josef Stanislaw Garland+, Pat Flynn+)	12.30 pm: Holy Mass (Fr. William Poole+)
TUESDAY 09.04.2024 Easter Feria	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (Phillippa Quenby+, Mary Pagram+)	12.30 pm: Holy Mass
WEDNESDAY 10.04.2024 Easter Feria	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (Marian Littleton+, Kimberley Family's intentions)	12.30 pm: Holy Mass (Fr. Bernard McCaul+)
THURSDAY St Stanislaus 11.04.2024	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (Lisa Jarvis+, Charles Needham+)	6.30 pm: Holy Mass (Canon Ernest Garnett+)
FRIDAY Easter Feria 12.04.2024	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (James Coggin+, Mary Lindley+, Jennie Spencer+) 11.00 am: Requiem Mass for Pat Flynn+	6.30 pm: Holy Mass
SATURDAY 13.04.2024 St Martin 1 PpM	9.30 am: Holy Mass: (George Richardson+, Tomas Michael Flores+)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Fr Michael Kennedy+, Fr Francis Tester+)
THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER 14.04.2024	8.45 am: Holy Mass : (Dana Kowalska+, May Murray+) 11.15 am: Holy Mass : (Denis Suckling+)	5.00 pm: Holy Mass (Pro populo)

ORDER OF MASS

Entrance Antiphon: 1 Pt 2: 2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise you, we bless you,
we adore you, we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles:

4: 32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: 117(118):2-4,15-18,22-24

***R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.***

Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'

Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'

Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' **R**

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
but not doomed to die. **R**

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R**

A reading from first letter of St John: 5: 1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ
has been begotten by God;
and whoever loves the Father that begot him
loves the child whom he begets.

We can be sure that we love God's children
if we love God himself

and do what he has commanded us;
this is what loving God is –

keeping his commandments;
and his commandments are not difficult,
because anyone

who has been begotten by God
has already overcome the world;
this is the victory over the world – our faith.

Who can overcome the world?

Only the man who believes
that Jesus is the Son of God:

Jesus Christ who came by water and blood,
not with water only, but with water and blood;
with the Spirit as another witness –

The word of the Lord

Sequence - Victimae Paschali Laudes

A. Christians, to the Paschal Victim
offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
and Christ, the undefiled,
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

B. Death with life contended:
combat strangely ended!

A. Life's own Champion, slain,
yet lives to reign.

B. Tell us, Mary:
say what thou didst see
upon the way.

A. The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

B. The angels there attesting;
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

A. Christ, my hope, has risen:
he goes before you into Galilee.

B. That Christ is truly risen
from the dead we know.
Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Gospel Acclamation: Jn 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe
because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen and yet
believe.' Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of
the week, the doors were closed in the room
where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews.
Jesus came and stood among them.

He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and
showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples were filled with joy when they
saw the Lord, and he said to them again,

'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and
said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the
Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came.
When the disciples said, 'We have seen the
Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes
that the nails made in his hands and can put
my finger into the holes they made, and unless
I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to
believe.'

Eight days later the disciples were in the
house again and Thomas was with them. The
doors were closed, but Jesus came in and
stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he
said.

Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger
here; look, here are my hands. Give me your
hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but
believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my
God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.
Happy are those who have not seen
and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus
worked and the disciples saw, but they are not
recorded in this book. These are recorded so
that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ,
the Son of God, and that believing this you
may have life through his name.

The Apostles' Creed:

I believe in God,
the Father Almighty
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary (all bow)
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died and was buried;

he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again from the dead;
He ascended into heaven,
and is seated at the right hand of God
the Father almighty;
from there he will come
to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and life everlasting. Amen.

Communion Antiphon: Cf. Jn 20: 27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving
but believing, alleluia

NOTICES

CONDOLENCES AND PRAYERS for the families of Ray Brignell who died on 3rd April.

LOL FINANCE: Thank you very much for your generosity. Last week you gave:

Standing Orders: £1,016; Dona: £147.47;
Cash banked: £653; Hall: £160; Donation: £100.

Cheques payable to LOL & SJF PARISH.
Bank transfer details: Barclays Bank UK Plc.,
Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 03187
187. Please note that although this is named
as a parish account it is in fact the Sawston
account.

MARY'S MEALS BOX is in church for donations.

WOMEN'S RETREAT: A Day of prayer and creativity to be held on Saturday, 13 April 9:30 am – 4.30pm at LOL Parish Hall, Sawston. Please see Notice Board for further details.

AFTERNOON TEA WITH LIVE IRISH MUSIC – Saturday, 27th April 2-4 p.m. Free entry – Refreshments will be sold in aid of Marys Meals.

IS IT POSSIBLE TO BE PERFECT is a lecture given by Fr Gregory Pine, OP, at OLEM on Wed. 1st May 2024 at 7pm. Everybody is welcome.

ANNUAL LOURDES PILGRIMAGE from Friday 23th – Friday 30th August 2024 by the Catholic Association for our Diocese and others. It provides a unique opportunity to gather in Lourdes, to pray and journey together in faith. It is a time to stand apart from the rigours of life and seek the peace, healing, and grace which a pilgrimage experience can afford. For booking / more information, please visit www.tangney-tours.com/tours-and-pilgrimages/diocese-ca-strn/ or phone 01732 886666

Cambridge Month of Accompanied Prayer, Easter 2024 is the chance for a weekly meeting with a trained guide, either face to face or via zoom or phone from 15th April-10th May. There will be no charge for participation. The closing date for applications is Monday 25th March or very soon after. The introductory session via zoom is on Thursday, 11th April from 7 to 8pm. The in-person opening session will be held in the chapel at 7 Brookside, CB2 1JE on Friday, 12th April from 2- 3pm. If you are interested, please email Judy at cambsprayer@gmail.com for more details and an application form. If you would like to find out more by phone you can contact Kay: 07786910406 or Romie: 07941862435.

COMPOSTELLA: Bishop Peter Collins will lead the pilgrimage, walking the Camino de Santiago (The Way of St James) from July 22nd to 29th. If you are age 18 – 30, why not come and join us. Visit: www.rcdea.org.uk/youth/ for information, and email dys@rcdea.org.uk, or phone 01508 486236, for booking details.

Diocesan Marriage and Family Life Mass is on Saturday June 1, at 11.30am at Saint John the Baptist Cathedral, Earlham Road, Norwich, NR2 2PA. Couples who are celebrating special wedding anniversaries this year, please email mflcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk for more information.

EAST ANGLIA ANTI-SLAVERY GROUP is appealing for more volunteers. If you would like to join, email john_simong@hotmail.com for more information.

IGNITE FESTIVAL 4th - 5th May 2024 in Bury St. Edmunds (Suffolk) is an annual youth event run by the Youth Service of the Roman Catholic Diocese of East Anglia for anyone in Year 8 or above.

So if you want a fun weekend and get to know Jesus, better along with around two hundred other young Catholics, then come to the Ignite Festival! Powerful talks, passionate prayer, live music, and Mass with our Bishop are a few of the things that make up an amazing weeked! There is also the option of staying until the Monday to take part in our pilgrimage to Walsingham. See www.ignitefestival.co.uk for booking details.

St Thomas More Catholic Primary School (Saffron Walden, CB11 3DW) requires a Deputy Head Teacher for September 2024. Applicants are welcome to visit our school, find out more about the role and experience our friendly school in action. Please contact our office to arrange a tour on 01799 523248 or email admin@stmsw.co.uk. Further information and an application pack are available from Anna anna@stmsw.co.uk ; and completed applications should be sent to this address. Closing date: Friday 19th April 2024. This is a reserved post and is open to practising Catholics only, please review the document produced by the Diocese of Brentwood "Definition of a practising Catholic for a reserved posts" for further information.

ESCORTED TOUR to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 26th May 2024. £899.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 5 nights' in 4*Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, B&B. Lunch on three days. All entertainment, excursions and transport included. Visit Knock, Galway City, Kylemore Abbey, Croagh Patrick & Ashford Castle. Email knockpilgrimages@gmail.com or phone Patricia / Natali on 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557.

The next Retrouvaille programme is in Welwyn Garden City, Hertfordshire from 14-16 June 2024 with 12 virtual post sessions on Wednesdays thereafter. Please help the couples in distress or crisis by spreading the news about this programme. Visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk for further information

or contact us on 07961 391889 (Caroline) and 07884 490235 (Michael).

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A retreat for Catholic singles at the Christian Heritage Centre (Stonyhurst) from Saturday 4th to Sunday 5th May 2024. Please visit <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/called-to-love/> for more information / booking.

Diocesan Listening and Prayer Ministry offers a series of sessions with trained people of faith to listen and pray with you and suggest where you could go to get further help if necessary. To make an initial appointment, please leave a message at 01603 957653. Calls are confidential and someone will get back to you within 48 hours.

HEALING RETREAT SUNDAY, 21st April 2024. Start: 11.30am / Finish: 8pm approx. Led by Fr Gladson Dabre, OSA & Fr Luke Goymour. Engaging Talks, Testimonies, Praise & Worship, Adoration, Reconciliation, Prayer Ministry & Healing Service PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN FOOD - Drinks provided. At: Clare Priory, Ashen Rd., Clare, Sudbury CO10 8NX. Please visit www.transformministries.uk for information / booking. Contact: email clarepriory@clarepriory.net or phone 01787 277326

Reflective Walking around beautiful Clare in Spring: Tuesday 23rd – Friday 26th April 2024. Led by Mary Handforth. Each day will have some prayer and gentle walking. You will need some sturdy walking shoes or boots, and shower-proof warmer outdoor clothes in case of "unseasonal" weather. This is a residential retreat, but you are welcome to stay for the whole time or just come in for a day or two. For more information contact Kathy on 01787 277326 or clarepriory@clarepriory.net