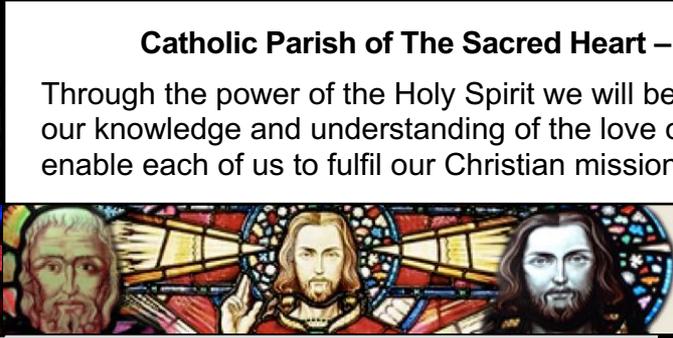
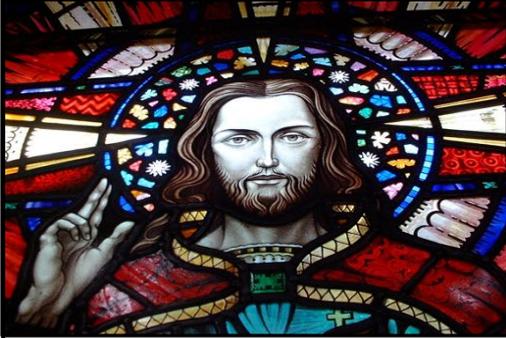


# Bulletin



17 April 2022

Easter Sunday



## Catholic Parish of The Sacred Heart – *Our Mission*

Through the power of the Holy Spirit we will be a parish renewed in our knowledge and understanding of the love of Jesus Christ, to enable each of us to fulfil our Christian mission.



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Thank you for your contribution to the parish. For 10 April standing orders were £875.00 and the second collection was £336.70.. Thank you, the finance committee.

## PARISH CATECHESIS BY FR. JERRY

**Theme: He must rise from the dead! The LORD has risen ALLELUIA.**

Christians today celebrate the victory over death by the empty tomb. The Church teaches that the first element we encounter in the framework of the Easter events is the empty tomb. Nevertheless, the empty tomb alone is not a direct proof of the Resurrection (CCC#640). The basis for the Resurrection is our faith in the Risen Lord, who foretold that he would suffer, die and rise again on the third day. The resurrection of Jesus is the crowning truth of our faith in Christ, a faith believed and lived as the central truth by the first Christian community (CCC#638). At Jesus' Resurrection, his body is filled with the power of the Holy Spirit; he shares the divine life in his glorious state (CCC#646).

Christians are called to be people of the Resurrection and alleluia should always be the song on our lips. The disciple whom Jesus loved affirmed that when he entered the empty tomb and discovered the positioning of the linen cloth, 'he saw and believed'. This suggests that he realised that the absence of Jesus' body could not have been of human doing but it is in fulfilment of Scriptures, which insist 'that he must rise from the dead'. As we celebrate the Resurrection of the Son of God, the cornerstone of our faith, we come to the realisation that the Resurrection is not simply an event after death but should be a reality of our everyday life. We are to let go and die to our old and sinful ways and allow the new person, fashioned in the image of the Risen Lord, to germinate, sprout, mature, and bear fruit for eternity.

I wish you a blessed Easter.

## MASS TIMES

### THIS WEEK

- † Tuesday at 9.30 am
- † Wednesday at 9.30 am
- † Thursday at 9.30 am
- † NO MASS ON FRIDAY 22 April
- † Saturday at 5.00 pm
- † Sunday at 9.00 am and 11.00 am

### CONFESSION

Confession is available before Mass on Saturday and on request.

## Masses will be offered this week for ...

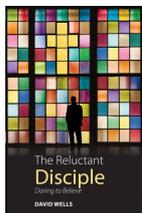
- 16 April 9.00 pm Intentions of Adam Winfield
- 17 April 9.00 am Margaret Gummery, Recently Deceased, RIP
- 17 April 11.00 am Margaret Fallon, Recently Deceased, RIP
- 19 April 9.30 am Peace in Ukraine
- 20 April 9.30 am Private Intentions
- 21 April 9.30 am Private Intentions
- 22 April 10.00 am NO MASS**
- 22 April 11.00 am Funeral Service for Evelyn Fagan, RIP

## CIRCLE OF PRAYER FOR APRIL DIGNITY OF HUMAN WORK

Dear God, thank you for providing us with the gift to share our talents. Provide our community, our nation, our world the fortitude to provide work for all which is decent and fair. Make us faithful stewards of your creation to enhance the human dignity of our global family. Amen.

## Book Club

Our next meeting will be on Thursday, 26 May at 7.30 pm in Pulloxhill. The next book to read is *The Reluctant Disciple: Daring to Believe* by David Wells.



In this book of his personal reflections, David helps us to see God in a range of situations that are often funny, sometimes painful, occasionally toe-curlingly embarrassing. Related with characteristically self-deprecating humour, the stories in this volume range from his moving account of visiting war graves in France, to the hilarious account of his 'Mr Bean in a ballet moment in California.

Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon, Archbishop of Liverpool, writes '... Anyone who reads this book can get to know David, be spiritually uplifted, and feel happy being just as God made them.'

## Second Collection

There will be a second collection next weekend, 23 and 24 April. This collection is for the Priests' Training Fund.



This money is to cover the costs of training new priests for our diocese.

**PLEASE BE AS GENEROUS AS YOU CAN.**

## Save the Date 2

We are going to *Walk for Water* on **Saturday 18 June**.



We will have sponsorship cards available for all who are able to help in this very important cause.

More information soon.

## Mass for the Sick

**On 30 April at 3.00 pm**

Bishop David will celebrate a special Mass for the Sick on Saturday 30 April at the cathedral. This is specially for all our housebound parishioners, and we hope that they will be able to follow it on the Cathedral livestream via the diocesan website: <https://northamptondiocese.org/live/>. There will be a downloadable Mass sheet so everyone can join in. All are also welcome to attend in person.

### Newsletter copy deadline

Thursday midday Contact: Suzanne Yates 01525 840 661 / 07919 263 147, [smyates47@gmail.com](mailto:smyates47@gmail.com)

## Divine Mercy Novena

Continues this week being said before Mass on Easter Sunday. It will be said privately on Monday and then before Mass each day until we finish on Divine Mercy Saturday, 23 April.



## Save the Date

2022 is the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Sacred Heart Catholic church in Flitwick and we are having several events over the twelve months. The church was opened in 1982 and consecrated in 1983. To start the year, Bishop David will celebrate Mass on 24 June at 12 midday followed by lunch. Details to follow.



## FOODBANK

Remember, we are part of the NEED Project which operates a Foodbank specifically for people in Flitwick and Amptill. Help those in need by adding a few tinned items to your regular shop – once a week or once a month – and drop them into the basket in the church foyer.



## Sacred Heart Flitwick 200 CLUB

The latest draw took place on 10 April and the lucky winners were

1. Joanna Jablonska
2. David Keenliside
3. John Fletcher
4. Suzanne Yates

Congratulations!

## Mass Intentions

Suzanne will be away from 19 April until 14 May.

If you want a Mass said, please complete an envelope that can be found on the counter in the foyer.

Give it to Fr. Jerry or put them in the presbytery's letter box.

Hugh Davies will arrange for the Masses to be said. Mass cards will be available also on the counter at the next weekend Mass after the envelope is handed in.

## INFORMATION

### CONFESSION

Confessions are available before Mass on Friday and Saturday and on request.

### PRAYER LINE

Please ring for intercessory prayer on 01525 634 186. We have some wonderful answers to prayers. Be assured of full confidentiality.

### SAFEGUARDING

For information contact Paula Bates  
[safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk](mailto:safeguarding@sacredheartflitwick.co.uk)

### CHURCH NEWSLETTER ONLINE

<http://www.sacredheartflitwick.co.uk>

### IN HOSPITAL OR HOUSEBOUND?

Please let us know of anyone who needs a visit.

### HOSPITAL CONTACTS

Bedford Hospital – Deacon Tony Quinlan on 01234 950 453 or [tonyquinlan15@gmail.com](mailto:tonyquinlan15@gmail.com)  
Luton and Dunstable Hospital – Deacon Jim Hannigan on 07756 685 220 or [deaconjimhannigan@northamptondiocese.org](mailto:deaconjimhannigan@northamptondiocese.org)

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

Members provide help, support and friendship to anyone in need. If you or someone you know needs help at this time, please talk to us by ringing 07770 499 239. We are here to help.

### MASS INTENTIONS

For Mass Intentions, email Hugh Davies who will arrange for Fr. Jerry to say a Mass. There are special envelopes in the foyer that you can fill in and leave in the sacristy. Hugh will organize Mass cards will Suzanne is away

There is NO Tea and Coffee this week. Contact Suzanne if you can help after Easter. Details below.

### SEWING GROUP

The sewing group will meet on **9 May** from 2.00 pm till 4.00 pm. For details, phone Hilary Brennan on 01525 717 919



### CHARISMATIC GROUP

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday 20 April on Zoom**. Contact Debbie Lewis 07944792776 for information.



**MOTHERS' PRAYERS** will meet on **6 May** after 10.00 am

Mass. Join us for a welcoming cup of coffee before praying for your family. We aim to end by 11.45 am. Ring Sue Barley 01525 634186 for information.



*We wish you and your family a happy and holy Easter.*