



PARISH OF OUR LADY QUEEN OF MARTYRS

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Easter Sunday - year cycle B – 5 April 2015

Entrance: *I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. To wonderful for me this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia*

Responsorial psalm: *This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.*

Gospel: Alleluia, alleluia *Christ our Passover has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.*

Alleluia

Communion: *Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened Bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia*

Dear Friends in Christ,

A very Happy Easter to you all from Fr Andrew, Fr Jonathan and myself, as well as from all the Belmont Community, especially Fr Luke, Fr Thomas and Fr Cenydd. Our prayer is that the Risen Christ will give light and hope to all those living in Our Lady's Parish.

I would like to thank Fr Jonathan for celebrating the Holy Week liturgy at Our Lady's due to the unavailability both of Fr Andrew and myself. In fact, to serve Our Lady's Parish is the commitment of the Belmont Community. No doubt you will be seeing more of Fr Jonathan from now on.

I would also like to thank all those parishioners who worked so hard to make these celebrations possible, those who clean and look after the church and sacristy, those who open and lock doors and keep accounts, those who organised and did the serving and the music, and, indeed, all of you who are helping to keep the parish jogging along in the absence of a resident parish priest. Today is a good opportunity to thank all our parish volunteers and those who support them with their prayers.

The Commissioning of Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharistic will take place this year on the Feast of Corpus Christi. Thursday 4th June, at a Special Mass on 7pm. Before that date, there will be a day's retreat for ministers and prospective ministers. Please note that you will be expected to take Holy Communion to the sick and will need a DRB check. This will be done through the parish, if you don't already have one.

Can I please ask Readers at Mass to take note of and keep the liturgical rules concerning reading at Mass? Please do not introduce the reading by telling us which reading it is. We all know it's the first or second reading. Please do not introduce the Responsorial Psalm by saying, "Responsorial Psalm", nor should you say, "the response is." Simply pause for a moment after "Thanks be to God", then give out the response. Finally, do not invite the congregation to stand for the Gospel acclamation or for the Alleluia. Simply pause for a moment and then give it out. The congregation should know when to stand. I hope you will forgive me for reminding you of these points, but it is important to do things correctly.

On Easter Monday Mass will be at 11am, otherwise it will be the usual timetable for the week. Do remember that there is an Indian Mass on the Second Sunday of the month at 4pm and a Polish Mass on the Fourth Sunday at the same time. Other members of the parish are always welcome to take part. It is a great privilege for Our Lady's to host these celebrations.

First Communion this year will be celebrated for the children in Our Lady's School on Saturday, 13th June, while for those in other schools on Sunday, 14th June. Let us join in praying for these young people and for their parents and grandparents, teachers and catechists.

As always, my words come with every prayer and blessing for you and your loved ones, both living and departed, Abbot Paul

Dates for Your Diary

Please come along and enjoy tea and coffee in the parish room after the Sunday morning Masses

The numbers drawn week 28 were 4 20 32 33 44
No Winner
Prize money for week 29 is £400.00, and five numbers to be drawn
No Tote this week resuming

Collection this week for the Clergy

Tuesday devotions: Divine Mercy chaplet and Novena before Mass and the Sorrowful Mysteries of the Rosary afterward.

Family Fast Day Please remember your Cafod envelopes. Storms, droughts and floods are having a devastating impact on the poorest communities. Every £1 donated between Ash Wednesday and 17th May 2015 will be covered by UK Aid Match up to £5million. Envelopes are at the back of church. Please remember your offering

.Gift Aid Please remember to collect your envelopes for the new tax year they are at the back of church. If you are a UK tax payer and would like to "Gift Aid" your donations to the church, please see Celia or any of the PAC for a gift aid form. The church gets 22p for every £1 you contribute, you don't have to do anything.

Reminder RED MISSIO BOXES

Please can all Red Missio Boxes be handed in for the Spring count. You can give them to us directly or to Father Andrew or Father Paul for keeping in the sacristy for us to collect. We will put them at the back of the Church near the hymn books when emptied. Many thanks Peter, Mary and Alice Leach

Jumble Next sale in May stock running low, bring your jumble we can store it. When spring cleaning bring your bric-a-brac, prizes are also required for the raffle. Cakes nearer to the date .

Hall Management There is to be a management team for the care and hire of the hall, if anyone is willing to assist your help will be greatly appreciate. See any member of the PAC for further information.

The Diocesan Youth Retreat- 24-16th April. A weekend retreat, including engaging talks, live music, workshops, discussions, evening entertainment and loads more. It is aimed at 16-30 year olds and will take place at St. David's Catholic College, Cardiff. You are invited to take the opportunity to meet with hundreds of local Catholics your age and grow in faith. For more details visit youth2000.org or find us on Facebook

Churches Together have invited all the Parliamentary Candidates to a Hustings meeting to be chaired by Bishop Richard of Hereford on Tuesday 14th April starting at 7 pm in the hall of St John's Methodist Church. Please join us and hear their responses to the questions you have asked.

PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE 25th -29th March 2015

There is now one seat unexpectedly available on our pilgrimage to France next month. The cost is £300 to include all travel and full board (except for one lunch) and visiting Lisieux, Chartres and Paris.

For further details ring John and Mary Cook on 01432 850231.

To all Pilgrims! Don't forget our meeting at SFX Church in the Annexe on Friday 17th April at 7pm.

Don't forget to bring details of your EHIC, Travel insurance and Passport to the meeting! See you there

The Gift

Belmont Abbey Parish will be running a course between Easter and Pentecost called The Gift. Open to everyone from any parish, this is an inspiring and practical series aimed at people of all ages to help them encounter the Holy Spirit and empower them to share their faith. The talks are on DVD and include a time for discussion in small groups. The teachings are relaxed, personal and informative, rooted in the Bible, the Catechism, *Evangelii Gaudium* and reflections on the Holy Spirit from Pope Francis.

They will be held on consecutive Wednesday evenings in Belmont Abbey Parish Hall from 7.00pm on April 15, 22, 29 and May 6, 13 and 20 concluding in time for the Feast of Pentecost on Sunday 24 May.

Archbishop Kevin McDonald said, "The speakers are offering witness to God's action in the world and in their own lives. I warmly commend this resource."

More information is available on www.thegiftofthespirit.org or from Chris Moore on 01432 358699.

Easter Sunday

Psalter week I

Today:

9:30 am Mrs Burgoyne RIP
11:30 am Ray Preedy RIP
6:30 pm No evening Mass

Monday 6 April 11.00 am Mass – Steven Skondrik RIP
Easter Octave

Tuesday 7 April 7.00pm Mass – Veronica King RIP
Easter Octave

Wednesday 8 April 10.00am Mass – Aniela Nowosielska RIP
Easter Octave

Thursday, 9 April 10.00am Mass – Jean Skondrik RIP
Easter Octave

Friday 10 April 7.00pm Mass – Elzbieta Wiesek RIP
Good Friday

Saturday, 11 April 10.00am Confessions & Exposition
11.00am Mass – David Thomas RIP

Sunday 12 April 2nd Sunday of Easter

9:30 am
11:30 am John Young
6.30pm

Rota Schedule for 6 April - 13 April 2015

Flower Arrangers: R Jones P Roberts

Cleaners: D Schofield

Ushers: 9:30am J Sullivan M Slane

11:30am J McGowan J Kelly

6:30pm Volunteers

Readers:

9:30am J Sullivan

11:30am J Meenaghan

6.30pm R Seamarks

Eucharistic Ministers:

9.30am H Fishlock R Jones S Thompson

11.30am E Cotterell K Davis J McGowan

6.30pm C Milsom

Altar Linen: J Callingham

Counting Richard Bex Paul

Polish Information:

Następna Msza Św w języku polskim odbędzie się w niedzielę, 26 Kwietnia godz 16:00

Finance:

The collection on Sunday 29 March raised **£622.11 including £206.68** for church/hall decoration thank you

Please pray for: The sick, especially Ann Morris, Brian Morris, Alice Jones, Sue Watkins, Shelaigh Fawcett, Dymphna and John O'Neil, Andrew Walker, Sylvia Jones, Sylvia Aiello, Chris Turville, Eva Zakrzewska, Pat Franklyn, Glyn Matthews, Anna Foggo, Katie Richardson, Agnes McGowan, Michael Morris Rita O'Leary Pat Cotterell Pat Spence and all in our prayer book

The recently dead, especially, Aniela Nowosielska, William McGoldrick

Those whose anniversary falls in the month of April, including: Emily Rees, Margaret Cook, Thomas Slane, Hewitt Lane, Karol Sliwka, Sally Kaye, Alexander Taylor, Vera Ashcroft, Joyce Lynes, Norah Webb, Mary Bagley, Barbara McAtear, Raymond Preedy, Mary Logan, John Doyle, John Young, Amaryllis Davies, Jock Warzynski, Bernard Rourke, Anne Mead, Zofia Heathcock, Fernando Gianessi, Julie Powell, Thomas Reilly, Sharon Kostorz-Pinwell, Phyllis Lyons, Josef Priebe, Francis Meigh, Charles Bagley, John McEwan, Frederick Whalen and Edward da Silva
Elsie Vlahos and Ellen Sloane

A friend was in front of me coming out of church one day, and the Vicar was standing at the door as he always is to shake hands with the congregation. He grabbed my friend by the hand and pulled him aside. He said to him "you need to join the Army of the Lord."

He replied "I am already in the Army of the Lord" the Vicar questioned "how come we only see you at Christmas and Easter?"

He whispered back "I'm in the secret service"

We hang the petty thieves and appoint the great ones to public office.