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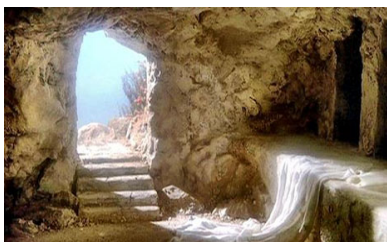
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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 1st April 2018
Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of Our Lord: Year B

OCTAVE OF EASTER: 1st – 7th April 2018 (Weekday Cycle Year 2 / Psalter Week I)

<p><u>Saturday 31st March:</u> <i>Holy Saturday</i> 8:30 pm: Easter Vigil; Audrey McCoy RIP (Anniversary) (Joe)</p>	<p><i>PARISH FINANCES</i></p> <p>24th / 25th March 2018</p>
<p><u>Sunday 1st April:</u> <i>Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord</i> 9:00 am: Mass; Eileen Doyle RIP (Morrissey)</p>	
<p><u>Monday 2nd April:</u> <i>Monday within the Octave of Easter</i> 10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention</p>	<p>Envelopes: Loose Plate: Standing Orders: TOTAL: Chad: Intercare: SVP: Easter Flowers:</p>
<p><u>Tuesday 3rd April:</u> <i>Tuesday within the Octave of Easter</i> 10:00 am: Mass; Holy Souls</p>	<p><i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of the Parish.</i></p>
<p><u>Wednesday 4th April:</u> <i>Wednesday within the Octave of Easter</i> 10:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	
<p><u>Thursday 5th April:</u> <i>Thursday within the Octave of Easter</i> 10:00 am: Service of the Word and Holy Communion</p>	<p><i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i> Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Pat Constable, Tom Farrelly, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Ann Harrison, Emilia Nowicki, Bernadette Retallick, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Evelyn Venning, Louise Whitham and Bob Wilson.</p>
<p><u>Friday 6th April:</u> <i>Friday within the Octave of Easter</i> 10:00 am: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 7th April:</u> <i>Saturday within the Octave of Easter</i> NO MORNING MASS & NO CONFESSIONS TODAY</p>	
<p><u>Saturday 7th April:</u> <i>Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)</i> 5:30 pm: Mass; Sue Fitzpatrick RIP</p>	
<p><u>Sunday 8th April:</u> <i>Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)</i> 9:00 am: Mass; Ann & Bernard Armitage RIP (Calladine/Wilson)</p>	



Please remember in your prayers those members of our Parish who will be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church: *Arnd Korn*, *Kerry Garton* and *Lucy Mackness*; also, *Benjamin Sauders* and *Katrina West* who will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, at the Easter Vigil. We congratulate them and share their joy in this important step in their faith journeys.

Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to frcathomas@live.com by Thursday of each week for inclusion in the next issue.

ROTAS:	<i>5.30 pm / Easter Vigil</i>	<i>9.00 am</i>
Welcomers:		M Simpson & L Newbold
Next Week:		K Orford – Perkins & M Neale
Readers:	<i>Easter Vigil Readers</i>	S O' Brien
Next Week:	A Simmons	N Wilson
Offertory:	<i>Catechumens</i>	M Ferrara & N Iacovitti
Next Week:	M & A Simmons	R & N Wilson
Coffee:	M Calladine & L Whitham	Next Week: J Powell & M Calladine
Cashiers:	-	Next Week: J Walton
Flowers:	Kay & Eve	Next Week: Shirley & Margaret
Cleaning:	Team Freyne	Next Week: Team Agius
Brasses:	E Rodrigues	Next Week: M Castor

POOR CLARES: The Sisters send their thanks for all the donations they have received from the Parish this week. They want you all to know that our Parish is remembered in their prayers every day. The next visit will be Monday 30th April 2018. – *Diane Wilson*.

FAIR TRADE: Thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade sale last weekend. All proceeds from the sale will go to Mary's Meals – details on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of church. The next sale will be the weekend of 28th / 29th April 2018.

LENTEN LUNCH: The homemade soup and roll served after the 1:00 pm Mass on Fridays during Lent was a great success and £270.00 was raised to be shared between CAFOD and Mary's meals. Thanks to all those who supported the event in any way.

CAKE SALE: On Easter Sunday, we plan on holding a cake sale in order to fundraise towards our trip in July to Lourdes. Along with other students from The Becket School, we are going there to help the pilgrims with services such as; wheel chair assistance, aiding in daily tasks and transportation. We have recently completed a 24 hour sponsored trampoline relay as part of our fundraising efforts to reach our goal of £500. We hope you can come along and support our cake sale. – *Merin Roy and Lucy Sivey*.

GRAND EASTER CHOCOLATE RAFFLE: DRAW THIS SUNDAY AFTER 9:00 am MASS. This year the Easter chocolate raffle is in aid of the Notre Dame Pilgrimage Account, otherwise known as the Lourdes Fund. This was set up when Fr Eastwood was our Parish Priest, and the weekday congregation began serving refreshments after morning mass. The charge was intended to cover the cost of tea, coffee, milk, biscuits etc. but the ladies of the parish generously donated those items and the money raised was used to send a parishioner to Lourdes when enough money was available. In the last ten years the fund was put on a more formal footing and is run by a committee. We aim to send at least one parishioner a year to Lourdes on the Across Jumbulance, which is fitted out as a mini hospital on wheels. This enables us to send people with complex health issues where special care is needed. We also sponsor carers who give their time to look after people on the pilgrimage. This year, thanks to several large donations, we are able to send four pilgrims on the Jumbulance, three VIPs and one carer. We are still a little short of the **£2800** total needed, so please dig deep, support the raffle and, of course, join us in the hall after morning mass for coffee or tea and a biscuit and get to know your fellow parishioners a little better. At a mere 50p a cup it has to be the cheapest drink in the town, but if you wish to give more we never object!

SAFEGUARDING BULLETIN: The Diocese of Nottingham requires that each Parish and Religious Congregation has a Safeguarding Representative in place. The Safeguarding Representative has responsibility for promoting good and safe practices in all activities involving children, young people and adults and for providing advice on child and adult safeguarding matters within the Parish or Congregation. My name is *Rachel McCarthy* and I am the Safeguarding Rep for our Parish. I provide the link between the Parish and the Safeguarding Coordinator for the Diocese. As Safeguarding Representative, I have received relevant training and know who to contact if a concern or allegation is raised. In addition, I have a key role in administering the safer recruitment process, including facilitating the DBS Disclosure process at a local level. My contact details are **0115 917 9167** and my number is also displayed on a poster at the back of the Church. The Safeguarding Coordinator for the Nottingham Diocese is *Mrs Clare McKenzie* who can be contacted at *Family Care Nottingham*, Telephone: **0115 960 3010**.

BLESSED SACRAMENT PROCESSION: On *Saturday 28th April 2018 at 2:00 pm* Bishop Patrick will lead the annual Blessed Sacrament Procession, as we witness to our faith through the streets of central Nottingham. Starting at St Mary's, Hyson Green, and proceeding to the Cathedral, for Benediction at around 4:00 pm After Benediction we will pause to pray before the tomb of the Venerable Mary Potter to pray for her Beatification. For more information please make contact with Fr. David Palmer: catholicdavid@me.com

FEAST OF DIVINE MERCY: NEXT SUNDAY 8th APRIL 2018; at Our Lady of Perpetual Succour, Brooklyn Road, Bulwell, NG6 9ES. The celebration begins at **2:30pm and ends with Benediction at 4:00pm**. For more information see the poster on the noticeboard. There are also some handbooks on The Divine Mercy Message and Devotion at the back of Church – please feel free to take one.

Surrexit Dominus Alleluia: May you all have a happy, holy and restful Easter.