

THE PARISH OF ST JOHN XXIII, PRESTON

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER [B]

21st April 2024



THIS WEEK'S MASSES & SERVICES:

Sunday 21st April

Fourth Sunday of Easter

6.00pm [Sat] (EM) – Betty Ollerton RIP

11.15am (SJ) Mass – People of the Parish

4pm (SJ) Rosary & Benediction

St Teresa's District

Monday 22nd April 4th Week of Easter

6.30pm (EM) Mass - Michael Kelly

Tuesday 23rd April *St George*

9.30am (SJ) Mass - John Boylan (A)

Wednesday 24th April

9.30am (SJ) Mass – Dilworth family

Thursday 25th April *St Mark*

9.30am (SJ) Mass – Anthony Boylan (A)

Friday 26th April

6.30pm (SJ) Mass – Carolyn Bond (A)

Saturday 27th April

No Morning Mass

Sunday 28th April

Fifth Sunday of Easter

6.00pm [Sat] (EM) – People of the Parish

11.15am (SJ) Mass – Carolyn Bond

4pm (SJ) Rosary & Benediction

St Thomas and English Martyrs district

GOOD SHEPHERD OR 'VOCATIONS' SUNDAY

This Sunday is specially dedicated to praying for vocations to the priesthood. Please continue to pray for those men in priestly formation for our Diocese and for an increase in vocations to the priesthood. Please consider joining us at Benediction this afternoon that we can come before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament to pray that more young men will respond to the Lord's call to priestly ministry in our Diocese of Lancaster.

THOSE REQUESTING BAPTISM

Catholic parents residing in our parish, desiring to bring their children up in the practice of the Faith, should make their request for Baptism to Fr Etienne or Fr Chapple, in person, immediately after attending either of our weekend Masses: Saturday, 6.00pm at English Martyrs, or, Sunday, 11.15am at St Joseph's.

EASTER HOUSE BLESSINGS

If you would like your home blessed by your priests during the Easter Season [until Pentecost] with the water blessed at the Easter Vigil, please sign up on the sheets at the back of church. Holy water is available from the dispenser at the back of church, please feel free to use your own containers or small bottles are available to buy from the holy shop.

THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION:

St Joseph's: Fri: 6.00pm - 6.20pm

English Martyrs: Sat: 5.30pm - 5.50pm

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

St Joseph's: Tuesday to Thursday: 9.00am - 9.20am

Friday: 6.00pm - 6.20pm

English Martyrs: Monday: 6.00pm - 6.20pm

OUR PRAYERS

We pray for those who have died recently especially, Fr John Heaney & Fr Tom Forster, and for all whose anniversaries occur at this time including: William Homes, Jane Patterson, and Anthony Boylan.

SICK & HOUSEBOUND

We pray all our sick and housebound parishioners. If you are unable to attend Holy Mass on Sundays because of ill health and would like to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Fr Etienne or Fr Chapple directly.

SPUC PRO-LIFE CHAIN

On Saturday 27th April, 11.00 am – 1.00 pm. Please join us for this annual silent act of witness to remember the millions of unborn babies lost to abortion. Meet on London Road, Preston – just north of the Ribble bridge. Stay for all or part of the time; bring a chair if required. For info tel: 01772 723094.

GIVING TO YOUR PARISH

Thank you to those who have signed up to the gift aid scheme so far. If you have set up a standing order and have not yet returned your gift aid form, could you do so as soon as possible please. If you are a taxpayer and would like a set of envelopes, please speak with one of the priests. There are gift aid forms available at the back of church, please return these completed to the parish office or Fr Chapple.

SETTING UP A STANDING ORDER:

Here are the details to use to set up a standing order with your bank: St John XXIII, Sort Code: 40-27-02 A/C: 71335391 [HSBC UK].