



St Vincent de Paul Catholic Church
Altrincham



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Third Sunday of Easter 23rd April 2023



Pope Francis's Catechesis on the Mass

Over the course of the series of catechesis on the Eucharistic celebration, we have seen that the Penitential Act helps us to strip ourselves of our presumptions and to present ourselves to God as we truly are, conscious of being sinners, in the hope of being forgiven.

It is in the very encounter between human misery and divine mercy that the gratitude expressed in the "Gloria" comes alive; "a very ancient and venerable hymn in which the Church, gathered together in the Holy Spirit, glorifies and entreats God the Father and the Lamb" (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 53).

The beginning of this hymn — "Glory to God in the Highest" — recalls the song of the Angels at Jesus' birth in Bethlehem: a joyful heralding of the embrace between heaven and earth. This song also engages us, gathered in prayer: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will".

After the "Gloria" or in its absence, immediately following the Penitential Act, prayer takes on a particular form in the oration known as the "collect", through which the very character of the celebration is expressed, with variations according to the days and time of the year (cf. *ibid.*, 54). With the invitation "let us pray", the priest encourages the people to recollect themselves with him in a brief silence, so that they may be conscious that they are in God's presence and so that all can formulate within their own heart the personal petitions with which they are participating in the Mass (cf. *ibid.*, 54).

Pope Francis' Intention for April:

For a culture of Peace and Non Violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.

During Easter we are asked to pray for these intentions:

New members of the Church;
Vocations; The Right Use of the Media;
Survivors of Abuse; the Church;
Human Work.

Thanks to the wonderful generosity of our parishioners we have reached a limit of what can be received on the card machine without going through a verification process. Until this verification process is completed the card machine can't accept any more donations. We apologise for any inconvenience this causes and we hope to complete the verification process as soon as possible. Unfortunately, the card machine is the victim of its own success.

LET US PRAY: A PARISH INITIATIVE - To help us listen to and talk with God

Our Let Us Pray sessions continue as detailed below. These will all take place in Westleigh.

Session 5: God is closer than you think - Using our imagination to experience God inviting us through Scripture to a deeper relationship with him. .

	7.30pm-9.00pm	1.30pm-3.00pm (repeat of evening session)
Session 5	Thursday 27th April	Friday 28th April
Session 6	Thursday 4th May	Friday 5th May

MASS WITH THE CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK - 12.15PM 20TH MAY

The 12.15pm Mass on Saturday 20th May will include the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and will be followed by refreshments after Mass in Westleigh. This will be the first opportunity to attend such a service in our Parish since the lockdown and it is hoped that as many parishioners as possible, including those who find it difficult to attend Mass regularly, will be able to come. SVP members may be able to arrange lifts if required. To assist us in preparing for this day we would be grateful if you could complete the slip found at the back of church. However if for health reasons you are unable to decide until the last minute please do not let this put you off coming. You will be very welcome to join us on the day. If you are able to help on the day by giving lifts or assisting with refreshments please contact jamesjudge@talktalk.net

WESTLEIGH IT UPGRADE

We are pleased to announce that Westleigh has joined the 21st century and now has WiFi. We are continuing to look at upgrading the IT at Westleigh. We would like to fit a projector and a 3m screen at a cost of £7514.93. Parish funds can cover £5000 of this cost, a very generous benefactor has agreed to put £1000 towards it. This leaves us with a shortfall of £1514.93. Please would you consider making a contribution to meet this shortfall. If you wish to make a donation please place your donation in an envelope and put it through the presbytery door marked Westleigh IT. If paying by cheque please make it payable to 'St Vincent De Paul Altrincham'. If we exceed our target the donated money will be spent on other Westleigh projects. Thank you for taking the time to consider this and for your generosity to the parish.

PARKING

Due to a complaint received last Friday, please be aware that Groby Court is private property and not open to the public. Please make sure that you don't park in this area as it leaves elderly people who live there vulnerable to road traffic.

THANKS FROM SVP

The SVP is extremely grateful for donations totalling £728.37 (£414.36 in the retiring collection and £314.01 wallbox)

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - PLACES STILL AVAILABLE!

We are so pleased to have received so many bookings for the Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Wednesday 27th to Friday 29th September 2023. There are still some places left so if you would like to find more about the pilgrimage or to book a place please speak to one of our priests or email the parish office. The cost is £239 per person.

COMMUNICATIONS GROUP MEETING -WEDNESDAY 26th APRIL 6.30-7.30PM IN WESTLEIGH (UPSTAIRS)

Following the results of the recent Parish Survey, the Communications Group is keen to maximise the multitude of ideas to help improve existing Parish communications. We would welcome support from parishioners willing to be actively involved in re-instating The Vineyard – editorial, photographic, advertising, graphic design roles – plus those with website experience to look at re-working the current site. Help is also required in establishing and implementing a social media strategy, and looking at devising a new template for the Parish newsletter.

We need your help to maximise the potential of the existing communications. Any queries, please contact the Communications Group via the Parish Office: email parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk tel 0161 928 1689. Any queries, please contact the Communications Group via the Parish Office: email parishoffice@stvincentsaltrincham.org.uk tel 0161 928 1689

CANDLES AND KEYRINGS ON SALE NEXT WEEKEND

A group of young people from the diocese from parishes in Wythenshawe are raising funds to attend World Youth Day in July in Lisbon to see Pope Francis and join with thousands of other young people from all over the world. We will be selling candles for £5 and keyrings for £2.50 which we have made ourselves after Mass on 29th and 30th April.

WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

- ◆ Children's Liturgy - Sunday 23rd April
- ◆ Tea and Coffee after 10am Mass every Sunday
- ◆ Bridge - Every Monday at 2.00pm in Westleigh.
- ◆ Knit and Natter - 13th and 27th April at 10am in Westleigh
- ◆ Mothers Prayers - Every Thursday 11.15am in Westleigh
- ◆ Playgroup - Every Monday and Friday in term time from 9.30am - 11.30am in Westleigh
- ◆ Brownies— Tuesdays in term time at 5.45-7.15pm in Westleigh
- ◆ Rainbows— Wednesdays in term time at 6-7pm in Westleigh

Parish Safeguarding Representatives

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ROMULUS SINGERS CONCERT - 29th APRIL, HOLY ANGELS

Romulus Singers would love you to join them for their Spring concert, 'Love Call Me Home', on the evening of Saturday 29 April, 7.45pm at Holy Angels Church, Wicker Lane, Hale Barns WA15 0HF.

The programme features a selection of sacred and secular music, ranging from works by Tallis, Rachmaninov and Saint-Saens to the more contemporary Sarah Macdonald and Lydia Jane Pugh, plus a smattering of folk and gospel featuring Peggy Seeger's 'Love Call Me Home'.

Tickets (£12 adults and £6 accompanied under 16s, including refreshments at the end of the concert) are available either from choir members in advance or at the door.

AIG 20th ANNIVERSARY AFTERNOON TEA CELEBRATION- 14th MAY

The Altrincham Interfaith Group (AIG) is celebrating their 20th anniversary with a [Tea Party](#) at Blessed Thomas Holford College on Sunday 14th May from 3-5pm. Tickets (£5 each) are shared across the faith communities in Altrincham. If you would like to attend, please contact Dominique D'Arcy on 07791 619 897 to reserve your ticket. AIG are also looking for bakers and sandwich makers.

APRIL'S LIVE SIMPLY MESSAGE: Consider the origins of your food before buying it. Have human rights been abused to produce it? How much has it's transport contributed to global warming?

WEDNESDAY WORD available at the back of church and at <http://www.wednesdayword.org/sunday-gospel.htm>

PRAYER ROTA FOR PRO-LIFE

At the back of church you can sign up to a prayer rota for Pro-life on 27th April for their 60th anniversary. You sign up for 15 minute slots so that there will continuous prayer at home from 9am-9pm that day.

PRO-LIFE CHAIN - SATURDAY 22ND APRIL 11AM-1PM

A peaceful public act of witness will take place on the date above at Washway Road at Harboro Road, Sale M33 4RA. This act of witness spreads the message that abortion kills unborn children and hurts women and families. For more information contact Richard on 07710 348860.

NURSE URGENTLY REQUIRED FOR LOURDES PILGRIMAGE

Chester and Wirral Across Groups pilgrimage to Lourdes from Thursday 1st to Saturday 10th June and urgently looking for another nurse to join them on this pilgrimage. If anyone is interested in finding out more about this please contact tonymurphyefc2002@yahoo.co.uk or on 07881 656974.

DIOCESE OF SHREWSBURY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND - 8TH TO 15TH FEBRUARY, 2024

Under the leadership of Bishop Mark Davies, the diocese will be making a pilgrimage to the Holy Land in February 2024. "Jesus Christ the same yesterday, today and forever." Further information and a booking form are available on the Diocesan website - <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/diocesan-pilgrimage-to-the-holy-land-2024/>
Any questions regarding the pilgrimage should be directed to Father David Long: longdv1@aol.com

VACANCIES

A vacancy has arisen for a Parish Secretary at St Hugh & St John commencing July 2023. Closing date Friday 26 May 2023. More details can be found on the Diocesan website <https://www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/latest-vacancies/>

OUR PARISH FAMILY

We welcome into God's Family Ching Kin Samuel Wong, Ye Juan Zhou, Elizabeth Musgrove, Ching Man Tiffany Ng, Leila Menger, Harry and Oscar Kumar, Kevin Jiang, Tsz Wai Giselle Esther Cheung, Yan Long Ryder Wong, Thea Nicholls and Damian Santiago who were recently baptised here. Please keep them and their families in your prayers.

Congratulations to Emily Bell and James Murphy who were married here recently.

Requiescant in Pace Please pray for those who have died recently including Kathleen Ives and all those whose anniversaries occur about this time.

Please pray for the sick who include James Ainsworth, Michael Anderson, Robert Anderson, Margaret B, Antoni Baranowski, M Barnes, George Bell, Pat Bell, Helen Boardman, Jane Broadfoot, Jozef Broilo, Denise Brooks, Michael Byrne, Jo Carter, John Cawfield, Michael Cornwell, Peter Cresswell, Marjorie & Simon De Maria, Luke Dennett, Dermot Dunleavy, Max Dunn, Ken Dwyer, Ross Dwyer, Joyce Eaton, Lynda Edwards, Peter Elliott, Sean Gallagher, Vicky Gosnold, Stella Gould, Rufus Hasler & family, Mary Heanue, Thomas Higginbotham, Hayley Hill, Joe Holleran, Katie Holmes, Sarah Hrybyk, Lucy Hunter, Martin Jones, H & R Kelly, Amelia Kennedy, Anne Killeen, Thomas Killeen, Elizabeth and Henry Kluck, Marcin and Teresa Kluck, Barbara Lamb, Neil Lancaster, David Lawley, Betty Leeson, Willy Leeson, Klaudia Linert, , Bob Lloyd, Laura MacGinn, Margaret, Erin Marks, Joe Marshall, Marianne Martin, Claire McAllister, Rupert McDermott, Mary McLoughlin, Luke Murphy, Paul Murrell, Mary Murphy, Elaine Neary, Oliver, Anne O'Neill, Andrea Ottley, Marjorie Owens, Michalis and Karen Papangelis, Krzysztof Pietrzak, Patricia Ravening, Paul Raybede, Claire Rayner, Reece, Glen Reed, Jackie Reed, Mark Reed, Keith Robertshaw, Rose, Margaret Russell, Adrian Ryan, David Ryan and Frank, Mary Ryan, Donal Scally, Richard Sheryll, June Telfer, Anthony Tomlinson, Christopher Tomlinson, Leo Tomlinson, Philip Tomlinson, Christy Toye, Joe Traynor, Jocephon Tumpang, Jed Wainwright, Janina Wardzinska, Isabella Webb, Neil Wilkinson, Mason Williams, Maria Winthrop, Louise Withers and all in our hospitals and homes.

MONEY MATTERS

Offertory Collection 16 April £1,767.48. Holy Places collection £601.56. SVP collection £414.36. Thank you for your generosity.

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Mass Schedule this coming week

Sunday 23rd April 2023 Third Sunday of Easter	08:30 10:00 11:30 18:30	For the people of the parish Frank Burke (ann) Andrew O'Shaughnessy (RIP) Philip Gilhooley (RIP)
Monday 24th April 2023 <i>St George</i>	08:45 11:00 12:15 18:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Brigid Murphy intentions <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
Tuesday 25th April 2023 <i>St Mark</i>	08.45 10.00 BV 11.00 12.15	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> Praise <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Stephanie Machell (ann)
Wednesday 26th April 2023 <i>Ferial</i>	08.45 11.00 12.15	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Brendan Davies (RIP)
Thursday 27th April 2023 <i>Ferial</i>	08.45 10:00 BV 11.00 12:15 18:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> James Coleman (RIP) <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Sister Therese Regan (RIP) <i>Eucharistic Adoration</i>
Friday 28th April 2023 <i>Optional Memorial</i> <i>St Peter Chanel</i> <i>St Louis Marie de Montfort</i>	08:45 11:00 12:15 18:30 19:00	<i>Morning Prayer of the Church</i> <i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> Noel Fitzmaurice (RIP) <i>Holy Rosary for Peace</i> Kathleen Kelsall (RIP)
Saturday 29th April 2023 <i>St Catherine of Siena</i>	11:00 11:00-12:00 12:15 16:30-17:15 17:30	<i>Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction</i> <i>Confessions</i> Terence David Main (RIP) <i>Confessions</i> Eamon O'Donnell (ann)
Sunday 30th April 2023 Fourth Sunday of Easter	08:30 10:00 11:30 18:30	Raymond Carter (RIP) Clifford Olorga (RIP) Molly and Sean McRae (Wedding anniversary) For the people of the parish Mass of Commitment for Confirmation Candidates

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - 10am Mass on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of the month
BOWDON VALE MASSES 10am Tuesday and Thursday

RETIRING COLLECTIONS IN APRIL: 2nd - CAFOD; 16th - SVP

MASS READING CYCLE: Sundays year A, weekdays cycle 1; Psalter Week 3

PARISH CLERGY

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