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Sunday 22nd April 2018 - Year B
Fourth Sunday of Easter (Psalter 4 & Proper of Season)
World Day of Prayer for Vocations

SUNDAY MASS TIMES

6.15pm Saturday 8.00am, 9.30am, 11.00am, & 5.30pm

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 11.00am-11.30am & 5.15pm-6.00pm - Wednesday: 6.15pm-6.45pm

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sun 22nd April	6.15pm	Vincenzo, Rosa & Family Basilone (RIP)	
	8.00am	Pasqualina Mickiciuk (RIP)	
	9.30am	Souls of 45 Graham Street (RIP)	
	11.00am	People of the Parish	
	5.30pm	Venancio & Conceicao Mendes (RIP)	
Mon 23rd April	8.00am	Souls of Swindon & World (RIP)	Solemnity of St George
Tue 24th April	8.00am	Lenin & Anna (Wedding Ann)	Weekday of Easter
Wed 25th April	5.45pm	Thomas Winifred Carney (RIP)	Feast of St Mark
Thu 26th April	9.00am	Dennis Hay (Birthday, Ann, RIP)	Weekday of Easter
Fri 27th April	8.00am	Thomas Winifred Carney (RIP)	Weekday of Easter
	5.45pm	Thomas Winifred Carney (RIP)	
Sat 28th April	8.00am	Thomas Winifred Carney (RIP)	Weekday of Easter
	6.15pm	Thomas Winifred Carney (RIP)	

Readings: Acts 4:8-12; P117; 1 Jn 3:1-2; John 10:11-18

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, alleluia!** I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. **Alleluia!**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

Next Week's Readings: Acts 9:26-31; Ps 21; 1 Jn 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Our second reading for this Good Shepherd Sunday speaking of the lavish outpouring of God's love upon us. He calls us his children and he reveals himself to us as a loving parent. But St John also articulates all that we are called to be as God's children and as a people of mission. We are called to be like God, we are called to echoes of who he is, reflections of his parental care. Our world at times cries out to know God's loving, shepherd presence. We can allow the world to know God is near as we allow others to contemplate the love and compassion of the Father in the face of those who call themselves disciples. If we want to know the tender face of God, then we need to gaze upon Jesus. If we want to see the tender face of God's image, then surely, we should look upon the face of those who are his friends. Let the tender smile of God radiate upon those around you this week... through you!

NOTICES:

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTION: Main Collection **£3153.86**. Green envelopes **£279.50**. Gift Aid for February **£2050.38**. Many thanks for your continued generosity.

SECOND COLLECTION next weekend is for the Clergy Training Fund.

HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS: This Thursday 26th April, from 2 -3pm.

ALL READERS: Your new rota is now ready for collection from the red box in the porch.

BOOKSTALL: Next Bookstall 28th/29th April. (My Day by Day for May will also be available on the Fair Trade Stall this weekend.)

FILM NIGHT: Wednesday 25/04 at 6.30pm at Holy Cross School, Queen's Drive. Film being shown is Risen suitable for 12+. Suggested donation of £1 per entry to help cover screening expenses.

SANTA CRUZ GOAN ASSOCIATION (UK)

Feast of the Holy Cross on 6th May, 3pm Mass at Holy Rood Church followed by Dine & Dance at the Sikh Community Hall, Kembrey Park. All invited.

20 MILE SPONSORED WALK - Julia Starczewski will be doing the walk on Sunday 6th May. Funds raised will be going towards the LDWP (Lasallian Developing World Projects) Outreach Project to India this summer, which is at St Joseph's Higher Sec. School in Keelamudiman. The team of volunteers will be refurbishing the students hygiene facilities and equipping the school's Audio Visual Room. Sponsor forms can be found in the entrance at the back of the church. All donations gratefully accepted. Thank you.

TUESDAY 24 APRIL – Fr James Hanvey: Pope Francis and his vision for the Church of the 21st even the 22nd Century. The lecture will take place at St John's Church, South Parade, Bath, and begin at 7pm.

A DAY WITH MARY: Saturday 28th April at the Cathedral Church of SS Peter & Paul, Bristol. Please see the notice board for more information

MARIAN HALF-DAY OF RECOLLECTION: Sat 5th May at St. Thomas More's Church, Cheltenham. More information on notice board.

MARCH FOR LIFE UK: London 5th May. The March takes place a week after the 50th Anniversary of the Abortion Act coming into force. In those 50 years, over 9 million babies' lives have been lost through abortion. See www.marchforlife.co.uk and the notice board for more information.

LOCAL ELECTION: Swindon is taking part in the Government's national Voter ID pilot scheme which means that residents voting at a polling station at this year's Local Election on Thursday, 3 May will need to bring their poll card with them to vote. Further information is available at: www.swindon.gov.uk/VoterID

PARKING: Please show consideration to our neighbours when parking for Mass. Use the public car parks if there is no available parking. Do not park illegally. Thank you

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMMES

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: There will be a meeting for all parents of children booked on the April enrolment this Tuesday 24th April at 7pm in the church.

MARRIAGE PREPARATION: For booking forms and other information please contact: appointments@marriagecare.org.uk or call 08003893801 or 01159934255.

Are you getting married soon? What about your marriage preparation? Engaged Encounter weekend, on 12th and 13th May in Bristol at St James' Priory is a unique occasion to prepare more fully for your future married life together. This weekend is non-residential. For more information and to book online go to <https://wwme.org.uk/marriage-preparation/>

JUSTICE & PEACE

FAIR TRADE STALL: This weekend.

SWINDON FOODBANK: Collection next weekend 28th/29th April. Breakfast cereals and tinned potatoes always needed.

PRAYER

PEREGRINE PRAYERS: For those with cancer and other serious illness – This Wednesday 25th April at 12 noon in the Parish Room.

DIVINE OFFICE: PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Morning Prayer: Monday, Tuesday, Saturday after 8am mass; Evening Prayer: Wednesday at 5.20pm.

LECTIO DIVINA: Group reflection on next Sunday's gospel: Friday 8.45-9.30am.

INTERCESSORY PRAYER GROUP: a short time of prayer, gospel reflection and rosary on Mondays at 9am in the parish room.

MOTHERS' PRAYERS: Thursday mornings at St Mary's Convent, 34, Groundwell Road after 9.00am Mass.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS:

ALL THE SICK, AND ESPECIALLY: Ann Burnett, Martha Dixon, Michael Fisher, Merlyn Wise, Franco Amoroso, Anthony Dearman, Pauline Huff, John Wheeler, Pat Short, Teresa Frame, Cyril Freeman, Rosina Anello, Regina Rodrigues, Filomena Fernandes, Paul Dearman, Mandy Reagan, Isabella Horta, Clotty Raj, Edwin Lopes, Paddy Hatcher, Deana Hunt, Vida Freeman, Isabela DeSousa, Zarina Lopes, Blanca Gracias, Francesco Vitale, Damian Norris, James Armstrong & Mairead Emery.

RECENTLY DECEASED: Peggy McCarthy (RIP) & Mrs Starczewski (RIP)