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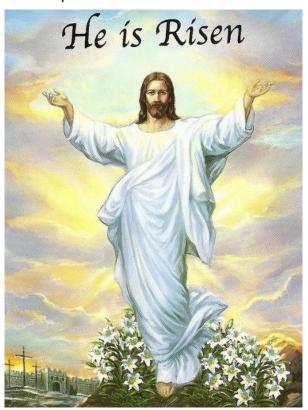
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## Easter Sunday, April 20 2025

Gospel: Lk 24: 13-35



Easter is the greatest and the most important feast in the Church for these reasons:

- 1) The Resurrection of Christ is the basis of our Christian Faith. It is the greatest of the miracles, for it proves that Jesus is God. That is why St. Paul writes: "If Christ has not been raised, then our preaching is in vain; and your Faith is in vain" (I Cor 15:14). "Jesus is Lord!, He is risen!" (Rom 10:9), was the central theme of the kerygma(or "preaching"), of the Aposte
- 2) Easter is the guarantee of our own resurrection. Jesus assured Martha at the tomb of Lazarus: "I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me will live even though he dies..." (Jn 11:25–26).

3) Easter is a feast which gives us hope and encouragement in this world of pain, sorrows and tears. It reminds us that life is worth living. It also gives us strength to fight against temptations and freedom from unnecessary worries and fears.

#### **LIFE MESSAGE**

Let us live the lives of Resurrection people: We are not supposed to lie buried in the tomb of our sins, evil habits, dangerous addictions, despair, discouragement or doubts. Instead, we are expected to live a joyful and peaceful life, constantly experiencing the living presence of the Risen Lord Who loves us in all the events of our lives and amid the boredom, suffering, pain, and tensions of our day-to-day life

We need to remember Easter in our Good Fridays: Easter reminds us that every Good Friday in our lives will have an Easter Sunday, and that Jesus will let us share the power of his Resurrection. Each time we display our love of others, we share in the Resurrection. Each time we face a betrayal of trust and, with God's grace, forgive the betrayer and forget the offense, we share in the Resurrection of Jesus. Each time we fail in our attempts to ward off temptations – but keep on trying to overcome them – we share in the Resurrection. Each time we continue to hope – even when our hope seems unanswered – we share in the power of Jesus' Resurrection. In short, the message of Easter is that nothing can destroy us – not pain, sin, rejection, betrayal, or death. Because Christ has conquered all these, we, too, can conquer them — if we put our Faith and trust in Him.

Pope Francis: "The first Easter message that I would offer you: it is always possible to begin anew, because there is always a new life that God can awaken in us in spite of all our failures. The second message of Easter: faith is not an album of past memories; Jesus is not outdated. He is alive here and now. The third message of Easter: Jesus, the Risen Lord, loves us without limits and is there at every moment of our lives."

HAPPY EASTER My beloved
Parishioners

Feast of St. George/Divine Mercy Sunday 27th April -- Mass 3pm

#### **Anima Christi:**

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.
Body of Christ, save me.
Blood of Christ, embolden me.
Water from the side of Christ, Wash me.
Passion of Christ, Strengthen me.
O Good Jesus, hear me.
Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you. From the wicked foe, defend me. At the hour of my death, call me and bid me come to you. That with your saints I may praise you For ever and ever.



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Mass Times Saturday 19 April	Parishioners Sarah Valentino	8:00pm		
Easter Sunday 20 April	Modeline Pettifor Parishioners	9:30am 11:00pm		
Monday 21 April	Pat Cummins-Healing	10:00am		
Tuesday 22 April	Daphne OwensBlessings	10:00 am		
Wed. 23 April	Sacristy			
Thursday 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Sanctification of Priests Mary Thomas	10:00am		
Friday 25 April	Jessie & John Speed	10:00am		
Saturday 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Parishioners	6:30pm		
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 27 <sup>TH</sup> April	Sylwia & Krzysztof Silver Jubilee Wedding Ann. Conversion of Jacques	9:30am 3:00pm		

PRAYER OF Adoration and Reparation			
Most Holy Trinity,			
Father, Son and Holy Spirit,			
I adore Thee profoundly.			
I offer Thee the most precious Body, Blood,			
Soul			
and Divinity of Jesus Christ,			
present in all the tabernacles of the world,			
in reparation for the outrages,			
sacrileges and indifferences whereby He is			
offended.			
And through the infinite merits of His Most			
Sacred Heart			
and the Immaculate Heart of Mary,			
I beg of Thee the conversion of poor			
sinners.			

### **ANNOUNCEMENT**

SHROPSHIRE DEANERY PILGRIMAGE FOR THE HOLY YEAR 2025 There is an opportunity to join fellow Catholics from across the County in a local pilgrimage to our Cathedral in Shrewsbury on Saturday 26th April We will gather in the Cathedral from 11am for Confessions & Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament At 12.15 there will Concelebrated Mass with many of the priests from the County

Sat 6:30pm	Sun. 9:30am	Sun. 11:00am
	Richard Shrimplin	Tim O'Keeffe

Confession is before and after mass or at any convenient time you want. Arrange with the Parish

Mass Offering for 13 April ---£396.04

Standing orders———£112.00