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This week at the Co-Cathedral: Year: C (I)

Sun 20th April.	EASTER SUNDAY
20:00 (Sat.)	Vigil Mass:
08:00	Mass:
10:00	Mass:
Mon. 21st	EASTER MONDAY
10:00	Mass: Private Intention
Tues. 22nd	EASTER TUESDAY
	NO MASS
Weds. 23rd	EASTER WEDNESDAY
	NO MASS
Thurs. 24th	EASTER THURSDAY
09:15	Mass: John Bradley (RIP)
Fri. 25th	EASTER FRIDAY
09:15	Mass: Eileen Otterson (RIP)
Sat. 26th	EASTER SATURDAY
17:30	Vigil Mass: Anthony Eaton (RIP)
Sun 27th	2nd SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)
08:00 (Sun.)	Mass: Fr. Jerzy Popietuszko (RIP)
10:00	Mass: People of the Parish

PRAYER TO ST. MICHAEL, ARCHANGEL

Holy Michael, the Archangel, defend us in the day of battle.
Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil.
May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, Prince of the
Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all
evil spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls.
Amen.

THE MEMORARE

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, that never was it known
that anyone who fled to thy protection, Implored thy help, or
sought thy intercession, was left unaided. Inspired by this
confidence I fly to thee, O Virgin of Virgins, My Mother.
To thee do I come, before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions but in
thy mercy hear and answer me.
Amen.

Pray for them

Let us remember the sick in our homes & hospitals Deacon Tony
Lawrence, Teresa Williams, Ian Williams, Lee Ellery, Taylor Mai,
Heather Mitchell, Neil Andrew Francis, Gary Lewis, Tom Bright,
Maralyn Brain, Christopher Browne, Helena Hughes, Brian
Thomas, Lynda Rees, Candida Felicio, Nora Kennedy, Patrick
(Paddy) Colclough, Eileen Morgan, Eileen Griffiths, Angela Flynn,
Melanie Kennedy, Rita Lewis, Betty Fry and all the sick. May the
Lord lay his healing hands upon them.

ANNIVERSARIES: Canon Richard Byron, Mary Grey, Watkin
Royston Thomas, Anita Owen, Marco Ferro.

Holy Father's Intention for April: "For the use of the
new technologies. Let us pray that the use of the new
technologies will not replace human relationships, will
respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face
the crises of our times."



Sanctuary Lights

1. Chris, May & Ethel Lewis (RIP)
2. D'd members of Davies & Tennant families

NOTICES

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES may be found at the back of the church. Christmas & Easter offerings are the parishioners' opportunity to thank their Priest for service during the year. Envelopes at the back of the church. You can also use the Contactless Giving Point, using your Credit/Debit card. Select "Other Amount" from the on-screen menu of the "Dona" contactless terminal, tap "Easter Offering".

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED (Deceased): Charles & May Pitson; May & Charles Pitson; Stafford Humphreys.

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED: (Other):

SANCTUARY LAMP REQUESTS:

IMPORTANT INFORMATION: the *pilgrim statue of Our Lady of Fatima* together with the *relics of the three shepherd children: Lucia, Francisco and Jacinta*, will be visiting us here at St. Joseph's Co-Cathedral on Saturday 3rd May. The schedule will be published next weekend meanwhile you will find further information in the porch.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2025: The next class is Monday 28th April. Venue: Holy Family Hall.

CONFIRMATION 2025: The next Confirmation Class takes place on Sunday 27th April. Venue: Library of Clergy House.

LECTIO DIVINA: Thursdays 7 p.m. Venue: Library of Clergy House.

IN GRATITUDE FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE SUCCESS OF THE CHRISM MASS . . .

I would like to extend my deepest gratitude to all the parishioners who contributed to the success of the Chrism Mass held on Tuesday, April 15th. Your dedication and hard work have truly been a blessing and are second to none!

I am especially grateful to the "Cathedral Team" for their behind-the-scenes efforts, as well as to the stewards in the church, the altar servers, the ladies who helped with the catering in both the Cathedral Hall and the Holy Family Hall; and not least of all, Organist Clive and the choir, together with their companions from other parishes.

I am very proud of you all and feel truly blessed to have such wonderful people around me. I never take this for granted and consider it one of God's greatest blessings.

May our Blessed Mother continue to intercede for you, and may God bless each and every one of you in every way.

With heartfelt thanks and prayers,

Canon Benedict

The response to . . .

*"Life-giving God: . . . " is
"give us new life in you."*

OFFERINGS FOR PALM SUNDAY

1st Collection (Loose plate): £723.07

CANON BENEDICT'S EASTER MESSAGE . . .

Dearest Beloved in Christ,
He is Risen from the dead, Alleluia!

As we celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord Jesus Christ, let us remember the words of the Apostle Paul in Philippians 3:10: "I want to know Christ—yes, to know the power of his resurrection and participation in his sufferings, becoming like him in his death." The resurrection of Jesus is not just an event to be commemorated, but a powerful truth to be experienced in our daily lives. Through His victory over death, we are given new life and the hope of eternal glory.

In this season of grace and victory, let us embrace the opportunity to blossom in our personal lives and within our families. As St. Paul to Colossians reminds us, "... He forgave us all our sins, having cancelled the charge of our legal indebtedness, which stood against us and condemned us; he has taken it away, nailing it to the cross. And having disarmed the powers and authorities, he made a public spectacle of them, triumphing over them by the cross." We are called to live in this newfound freedom, empowered by His resurrection.

On this joyous occasion, I extend my heartfelt gratitude to all of you for your constant generosity. Your traditional Easter gift to me your Pastor, is a testament to your kindness and support. Moreover, I am deeply grateful for the selfless service you offer to our Parish community throughout the year. Your dedication and ... illustrate the true spirit of our faith.

May the joy of Easter fill your hearts and homes with peace and happiness. I pray that each of you will truly experience the transformative power of the resurrection in your lives. Let us continue to walk in the light of His risen glory and share the message of His love with the world.

Wishing you all a blessed and joyful Easter!

In Christ's love,

Canon Benedict

PARENTS OF YOUNG CHILDREN . . .

Please parents . . . noisy children disrupt Mass and make it difficult for others to focus. Please seat your children close to you and in an area where they can be more easily managed e.g. near the exit. Once your child shows signs of becoming noisy/disruptive, then please take them briefly outside into the porch. Thank you for your understanding and co-operation.

Canon Benedict