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WREXHAM DIOCESAN TRUST REGISTERED CHARITY NO 700426



20 April Sunday

10.00am (For the Parishioners) **NO** Exposition/Adoration

A happy, holy and blessed Easter to one and all. "We are an Easter people and Alleluia is our Song."



Monday of the Octave of Easter 9.30am -

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Exposition/Adoration: 3.00 - 4pm

Thursday of the Octave of Easter 7.00pm - (Souls in Purgatory)

Friday of the Octave of Easter 9.30am -

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) Saturday – from 10.00am to 10.30am (and by request or appointment)

2nd Sunday of Eastertide 'Divine Mercy Sunday', Yr. C

<u>26 April Saturday</u>

6.00pm

27 April Sunday 10.00am

Thank you for last week's collection Offertory £397.61 Again we thank most sincerely: All who have worked so hard to make our Holy Week celebrations so reverent and helpful – our Altar Servers, our musicians, our sacristans, all who cleaned, polished and washed, all who provided and arranged flowers, our Ministers of the Word, our Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist, and all who helped in any way during this holy season. This is also an opportunity to thank most sincerely all who work so hard throughout the year to keep our parish life active and fruitful. The parish family, and especially your priest, are deeply grateful.

Easter Offerings: All the offerings at the Easter weekend will go to your priest. You will find appropriate envelopes in your boxes of offertory envelopes - and on the table in the porch.

<u>Deacons' Renewal Mass</u>: This coming Saturday (27th) at 12 noon in our Cathedral, Wrexham. All are invited to join with and pray for our Permanent Deacons as they renew their vocational promises. Do come.

<u>Do remember - Our Silent Hour of Prayer</u> <u>every week before the Blessed Sacrament:</u> Most Sunday's and Wednesday's - 3.00 to 4pm. Do come. But **NOT** this Sunday.

New Sunday Missals: For sale at the Repository in the Porch - £19.95

Offertory Envelopes started 5/6 April: There are still a few boxes of offertory envelopes awaiting collection at the back. Please also remember to always use your envelopes on Saturday/Sunday, Holy Days of Obligation and for the three Diocesan Collections, so that the Gift Aid can be reclaimed from HMRC. If you are a tax payer and have not 'gift aided' your Sunday offering to the parish, why not consider doing so. Speak to Anna, our secretary, or to Canon if this interests you!

Divine Mercy Sunday: Next Sunday (27th April) is Divine Mercy Sunday. On this day Our Lord grants us a great grace, i.e. "On that day the very depths of My Tender Mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the Fount of My Mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which graces flow are opened". Our Divine Mercy celebrations at Llay begin at 2.55 pm. Programme includes: the Chaplet, the Hour of Mercy, Blessing and Veneration of the Image, Stations of the Cross and benediction. Everyone is welcome. See the notice in the porch.

<u>Catholic Post</u>: April edition of this free Catholic monthly newspaper is now available from the porch. Take as many copies as you like. You may like to leave a donation (the paper itself suggests £1) to defray expenses.

<u>Luke's Gospel</u>: As mentioned in latest *Clarion*, Bishop Peter has prepared a Day-by-Day of Luke's Gospel for the 50 days of Eastertide, a copy of which is available on parish website.

Let Us Pray for The Sick

Dear Jesus, divine physician and healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. Oh dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden. Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. Amen



NO Coffee/Tea after this Sunday Mass 20th April

The Pope's Intention: 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.

<u>Food Bank</u>: Please put your dry food donations in the appropriate box which you will find in the porch, put there by the SVP. These donations are much needed and much appreciated.

<u>CAFOD</u> - Thank you for raising £513.74 at our Lenten 'Family Fast Day'. See Notice in Porch.

<u>Missio</u> - Thank you for raising £1,405.08 in 2024 through the Red Boxes, including individuals giving directly. Never doubt that what you are doing, with the help of your donations, does make a difference to the lives of countless numbers of people across the world. See notice in porch.

National Eisteddfod - is back in Wrexham, the last time Wrexham had this honour was in 2011. It is the largest cultural festival in Europe. We, as the Catholic Church, committed to hosting the Cytun (Churches Together in Wales) Marquee on Friday 8th August from 8.45am to 6.30pm. You're invited to help serve refreshments on 3 hour shift. If you can help contact Kay Ryan at kayryan84@hotmail.com or 07766145408. The Eisteddfod Mass, will be celebrated in Welsh by Bishop Edwin and Bishop Peter at St Mary's Cathedral Hall on Thursday 7th August at 6pm. Volunteers needed for refreshments after Mass.

We Remember In, Our Prayers
Those Whose Anniversaries Occur This Week