

**Mass Times, Services and Intentions**

**Saturday 6th April *Saturday of Easter Octave***

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Paul Unsworth R.I.P.
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**Sunday 7th April *2nd Sunday of Easter, Day of Divine Mercy***

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Eileen Boardman, Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Caridad Natividad, Anniversary
Sacred Heart	12.30pm	Baptisms	Hunter John Crosby Meredith &

**Tuesday 9th April *Weekday of Easter***

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Colette Bolton R.I.P.
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**Wednesday 10th April *Weekday of Easter***

St Josephs	12.00pm	Mass	Kath Trundle R.I.P.
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**Thursday 11th April *Memorial of St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr***

St Joseph's	10.00am	Funeral Service	Joseph Collins
Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	People of the Parish

**Friday 12th April *Weekday of Easter***

St Joseph's	10.30am	Mass	XII Apostles School
St Joseph's	2.00pm	Funeral Mass	Mary Ryan

**Saturday 13th April *Weekday of Easter***

St Joseph's	10.30am	Mass	XII Apostles First Communion
St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Steven Naylor, Anniversary

**Sunday 14th April *Third Sunday of Easter***

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Ellen Squires, Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Jed Polgar R.I.P.

**Newsletter for the Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith  
Served by the Churches of Sacred Heart and St Joseph**



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**7th April 2024  
Second Sunday of Easter**

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***Food for thought***

*How many of us have longed for someone who has died to say just one more word, or share one more embrace? How upsetting it would be if people around us claimed that they had seen the one we love - but, because we hadn't happened to be present, that glimpse - that moment of knowing they are still alive had been denied us. Maybe that's why Thomas doubted! But, Jesus did return and offered Thomas a glimpse of what Resurrection means. He doesn't condemn Thomas' failure to believe - but recognises his deep human need to see - to touch - to hear - in order to believe. Jesus understood that many like Thomas would hear the story of the Resurrection and be filled with doubt. Today the Lord tells us...Happy are those who have not seen yet believe'. Yes Lord, we believe - and may our faith in the Risen Lord affect our lives and those we come into contact with!*

*Praise Him!*

***"Happy are those who have not seen yet believe".***

## Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them:

**Vera Seventi,  
Carol Greenhalgh,  
Mary Griffin  
Sean Fleming,  
Craig Hardman,  
Kitty Jones,  
Doreen Hayes,  
Eileen Hynes  
Sr. Megan  
Nellie Flynn  
Mary Barnes  
Archbishop Patrick Kelly  
Sandra Smith  
James Allen  
Kathleen Holland  
John Mulligan  
Anthony Michael  
Marian Hindley  
Chris Hallinan  
Bernice Ganley  
Pauline Woods**

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

## Pope Francis April Prayer Intention For the role of women

We pray that the dignity and immense value of women be recognised in every culture, and for the end of discrimination that they experience in different parts of the world.

We pray for those whose have died especially,

## Recently Deceased

**Margaret Sanderson,  
Fr. Barry McAllister  
Joseph Collins,  
Mary Ryan  
David Blood  
Jacob Gannon**

and those whose anniversary occurs at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.

## Baptism

We rejoice with

**Hunter John Crosby Meredith and  
Mary Magdalena Radley**

and their families who will baptised this weekend. We hold them in our love and prayers.

## Feast of Divine Mercy

The hour of grace will be held at 3.00pm next Sunday at Holy Family Church, Boothstown, beginning with the Chaplet and with Adoration. Confessions will be available through the hour which will conclude with Benediction.



God's mercy often makes us more aware of our neighbours' wounds. It encourages us to help those suffering in mind or body, to bring peace to those suffering spiritually or physically, and to listen and bring comfort to another person. For in doing such things we "encounter Jesus,"

Pope Francis

## St Joseph's Players

Present

A Woman of No Importance

By Oscar Wild

Directed by Donna Wood

16th—20th April

Curtain 7.30pm Tickets £10 available on Ticket Source or at the door on the night

“Jesus does not give up, he does not get tired of us, he is not afraid of our weaknesses. He always comes back: When the doors are closed; he comes back; when we are in doubt; he comes back.

When, like Thomas, we need to encounter him and to touch him up close; he comes back”.

Pope Francis

## Mothers' Prayers

The next meeting of Mothers' Prayers is on Monday 8th April, St Joseph's Presbytery at 10.30am. All mothers and grandmothers are welcome.

## Children's Corner

Why was the idiot running round his bed?

He was trying to catch up on his sleep!



Pope Francis has written a special letter for children all over the world, ahead of the First World Day for Children

which will take place at the end of May.

In his letter Pope Francis says... “Making the world a better place for everyone starts with prayer and little steps like saying hello, sorry or thank you”.



Today's Second Collection will be for the:



St Vincent  
de Paul Society  
England and Wales  
Turning Concern into Action

## Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at

Sacred Heart Church for

**All Sick of the Parish**

At St Joseph's for

**All who are Bereaved**