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Easter Sunday - 17th April 2022

Sunday (Sat) **7.00pm** Margaret Rose, Darren & Michael Fendley (RIP)
 9.30am John & Hazel Lee (RIP)

Monday **10.00am** Edward McDermott (A) (*Bank Holiday*)

Tuesday **8.30am** Special Intention (RT) (A)

Wednesday **8.30am** Brian Roocroft (RIP)

Thursday **8.30am** Clare (A) & Gerald Snape (RIP)

Friday **8.30am** Johnny Flanagan (WA)

Saturday **9.00am** Jack Maynard (B)

Sunday next **5.00pm** Rose Hannah Wallace (A)

9.30am Mary & Charles Connerty (RIP)



Please Pray For The Following Who Are Sick: Eileen Snape, Jean Thurston, James Gorman, Desmond Gorman, Doreen Moss, Mark Rimmer, Anna Hennessy, Mary Hanson, Sr Paschal Rose, Tina Finlayson, Laurence Eccles & June Wrigley. We also remember to pray for all those in Chorley Hospital, Derian House Children's Hospice, our Nursing Homes & all those affected by Covid-19.

☩. Heal Thy Servants, O Lord, who are sick, and who put their trust in Thee.

☩. Send them help, O Lord, and comfort from Thy holy place.

IMPORTANT – Because of the Pandemic, Volunteer Eucharistic Ministers will not be going into the hospital with Holy Communion.

The Hospital, via the Ward, will contact St. Joseph's or the On-Call Priest for any visits to patients.

Please include in your Prayers: All those who have **Recently Died:** Adrian Lister (Graveside Service, 3pm Wednesday 20th April, Chorley Cemetery) & all those whose **Anniversaries** occur about this time: Edward McDermott, Clare Snape, Fr Bernard Bimson & Rose Hannah Wallace.

Keeping in touch: Would you like to receive the weekly parish bulletin by email? If you would, then please send a blank email to: stjosephchorleybulletin@yahoo.com. Please, **ONLY** use this email to request the bulletin – the parish general email remains the same. Also, e-mails are sent out on a daily basis with reflections and information, so please, if you would like to receive this then request it by the above bulletin email address.

Your Collection: If you still feel unable to attend church, you can still make your weekly Offering to the Parish when you are out for your daily exercise by putting it through the Letterbox at the Presbytery. Just another reminder that those of you who have Offertory Envelopes, you will find them on the table in the Porch. Thank you for your continuing & wonderful generosity & support to the parish.

Mass Online at St. Joseph's: Mass will be Live-streamed from St. Joseph's: The Link for St. Joseph's is: <https://www.churchservices.tv/chorleystjosephs>

St Joseph's Parent and Toddler Group: The group is open on Wednesday mornings from 9am-11am during Term Time. We have Craft and Sensory Stations, lots to play with as well as toast and refreshments for everyone! Please come along with your pre-schoolers, it's £2 for an adult & child.

St Joseph's Parish Centre – Members Notice: Available for all types of social events. For bookings please contact the Parish Centre Manageress: ☎ 275137 or 📠 07932 404447.

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DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: 24th April: Devotions at 3:00 pm.

This Service has been traditionally held at Sacred Heart Church, Chorley for our area. We extend a warm welcome to all from our own & other parishes to join here in Prayer. Divine Mercy Novena (with opportunity for individual Confession) followed by Mass.

Spiritual Communion – Prayer of St. Alphonsus



My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. *Amen.*

Counters: THIS WEEK: G Massey, J and A Nolan
NEXT WEEK: C Farnworth & G Horrocks

Reader Today: 17th April

7.00pm See Separate Rota
9.30am G King/R Challoner/J Maynard

Next Sunday: 24th April

5.00pm Tricia Evans
9.30am Geraldine King

Eucharistic Ministers Today:

7.00pm See Separate Rota
9.30am A Christie & A King (c)

Next Sunday:

5.00pm Anita Tunstall
9.30am V Christie, T Schofield (c)

Archdiocese of Liverpool Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The first meeting for the young people who are participating in the youth pilgrimage to Lourdes in July will take place on Sunday 24th April. The meeting will take place in St. Teresa's Parish Centre, College Road, Upholland, WN8 0PY from 1pm to 4pm. Please note that this meeting is just for the young people; a meeting for parents will be held nearer to departure.

There are still a few places left on the pilgrimage for young people in Year 10. The pilgrimage is now closed for young people aged 16 and over due to having to complete the DBS process. However, if anyone aged 15 is interested, please contact Ben McMullen, Coach Leader at lourdescoach5@hotmail.co.uk.

A night of music and fun in aid of the Rosemere Cancer Foundation.

Back in Time in Music on Friday April 22nd at 7.30 at St Mary's Parish Centre, Devonshire Road, Chorley. Hot Pot. Butter Pie. Tombola. Raffle. Music by Sean Leonard and Lindsay. Chorley author Linda Sherlock will sign copies of her book "Shampoo and Set" with £5 from each book donated to Rosemere. Tickets £8 available in advance only from Denis ☎ 07759158744.

Easter Sunday's Readings

First Reading Acts 10:34. 37-43. Jesus was crucified, but God raised him on the third day and allowed him to appear to specially chosen witnesses.

Second Reading Colossians 3:1-4. Paul tells us to set our minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth.

Gospel John 20:1-9. While it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed.

A Prayer for Easter

Father, the Resurrection of Your Son has given us new life and renewed hope.

Help us to live as new people in pursuit of the Christian ideal.

Grant us wisdom to know what we must do,
the will to want to do it, the courage to undertake it,
the perseverance to continue to do it
and the strength to complete it.



Christ is risen.

What an amazing Parish/Congregation you all are! As ever, the numbers for Daily Mass during Lent have been wonderful, both physically & via the Livestream. Some Weekday Masses have been like a Sunday Mass. Bless you for your strong faith and commitment.

To everyone who contributed to the solemn and reverent celebration of Holy Week; to all who helped with the preparations for the Easter Ceremonies this year; to the Church Cleaners, Welcomers, Altar Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Choir, Musicians & Organists; Flower Arrangers, Collectors & Counters and all those who have assisted in any other way:

THANK YOU!

Finally, a very joyful and Grace-Filled Easter to you all!



Canon Peter G Stanley

Prayer for Ukraine

Almighty and Great God,

accept our gratitude for your boundless mercy towards us.

Hear the supplication of our afflicted hearts for the land and people of Ukraine, as they confront foreign aggression and invasion. Open the eyes of those who have been overtaken by a spirit of deception and violence, that they be horrified by their works. Grant victory over the powers of evil that have arisen, and bless Ukraine with your gifts of liberty, peace, tranquillity and good fortune.

We implore you, O Merciful God, look with grace upon those who courageously defend their land.

Remember the mothers and fathers, the innocent children, widows and orphans, the disabled and helpless, those seeking shelter and refuge, who reach out to you and to their fellow human beings looking for mercy and compassion.

Bless the hearts of those who have already shown great generosity and solidarity, and those who prepare to receive their Ukrainian brothers and sisters in Ukraine's greatest time of need.

Bring us together as your children, your creation, and instil in us your strength, wisdom and understanding.

May you be praised and glorified, now and forever, and to the ages of ages.
Amen.