



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.**

COLLECT

O God, who on this day,
through your Only Begotten Son,
have conquered death
and unlocked for us the path to eternity,
grant, we pray, that we who keep
the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection
may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit,
rise up in the light of life.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

'We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.' 10:34a, 37-43

In those days: Peter opened his mouth and said: 'You yourselves know what happened throughout all Judea, beginning from Galilee after the baptism that John proclaimed: how God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Spirit and with power. He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed by the devil, for God was with him. And we are witnesses of all that he did both in the country of the Jews and in Jerusalem. They put him to death by hanging him on a tree, but God raised him on the third day and caused him to appear, not to all the people but to us who had been chosen by God as witnesses, who ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead. And he commanded us to preach to the people and to testify that he is the one appointed by God to be judge of the living and the dead. To him all the prophets bear witness that everyone who believes in him receives forgiveness of sins through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 117

**This is the day the LORD has made;
let us rejoice in it and be glad.**

or: Alleluia.

Give praise to the LORD, for he is good;
his mercy endures for ever.
Let the house of Israel say,
'His mercy endures for ever.' **R.**

The LORD's right hand is exalted.
The LORD's right hand has done mighty deeds.
I shall not die, I shall live
and recount the deeds of the LORD. **R.**

The stone that the builders rejected
has become the cornerstone.
By the LORD has this been done,
a marvel in our eyes. **R.**

SECOND READING

A reading from the Letter of Saint Paul to the Colossians.

'Seek the things that are above, where Christ is.'

3:1-4

Brothers and Sisters: If you have been raised with Christ, seek the things that are above, where Christ is, seated at the right hand of God. Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth. For you have died, and your life is hidden with Christ in God. When Christ who is your life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;

and Christ, the undefiled,

hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended: combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;

shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show! **Amen.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia.

**Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed;
let us therefore celebrate the festival in the Lord.
Alleluia.**

GOSPEL

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

'He must rise from the dead.'

20:1-9

On the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him.' So Peter went out with the other disciple, and they were going towards the tomb. Both of them were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. And stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen cloths lying there, and the face cloth, which had been on the head of Jesus, not lying with the linen cloths but folded up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not understand the Scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord,

we offer the sacrifice

by which your Church

is wondrously reborn and nourished.

Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your Church, O God,
with unfailing love and favour,
so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries,
she may come to the glory of the resurrection.
Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**



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MASSES AND INTENTIONS FOR THE COMING WEEK

Sat 19 th	4.00 pm	People of the Parish	20th April 2025: EASTER SUNDAY FEASTS : Sunday 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) Adoration & Confession: Tuesday & Thursday 9.30 am – 10.20 am Altar Lamp – Kevin Lynch RIP Our Lady's Lamp – John & Maureen Myles RIP
Sun 20 th	10.30 am	Sara Krog (Special Intention)	
Mon 21 st	9.30 am	Paul Fasakim (Special Intention)	
Tues 22 nd	10.30 am	Bridget Sharkey RIP (25 th Anniversary)	
Wed 23 rd	10.30 am	Ann O'Brien RIP	
Thurs 24 th	10.30 am	Sharon Jane Enright RIP (Birthday) John Enright Snr & John Enright Jnr RIP	
Fri 25 th	9.30 am	Rebecca Perry (Special Intention)	
Sat 26 th	4.00 pm	Bridget Conneely (Anniversary)	
Sun 27 th	10.30 am	Bridget & Donald O'Brien RIP (Anniversary)	
OFFERTORY COLLECTION: £498.38 SECOND COLLECTION: £169.14 (Holy Places)			

RECENTLY DEAD: Maureen Carton RIP. Requiem Mass on Friday, 2nd May at 1.00 pm..

Michael Foley RIP. Reception Thursday 1st May at 7.00 pm. Requiem Mass Friday 2nd May at 10.30 am at Corpus Christi Church.

Pauline Simons RIP. Details to follow

ANNIVERSARIES: Margaret Jones, Lucy Smith, James McGonagle, Patrick Phillips, Bridget Sharkey, Bridget Brown, Gretta Daly, Patricia Murphy, Theresa Conby, Francis Macken, Michael O'Sullivan, Martin Merry, Mary Heaney, Joan Power, Lee McGahan, Bridget Kelly, Michael Glynn, David Agius, Winifred Meehan, Catherine Carmody, Michael Dunne, Joseph McBride.

SICK LIST: Anselm John Baptiste, Jim Deards, Fr Morty O'Shea, John Garvey, Cath McGrath, Amie Faulkner, Clare Bergin, Mary Bergin, Fr Tony Rohan, Tommy Flynn.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL 2025: 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.

FOR THOSE DISCERNING GOD'S CALL – Visit the National Office for Vocation at www.ukvocation.org or

www.ukreligiouslife.org or www.ukpriest.org

PARISH GENERAL CLEANING: *Sincere* 'Thank you' to all parishioners who helped to clean the Church and prepare it for Easter Services.

PLEASE PRAY for **Rebecca Perry** and **Temitayo Paul Fasakim**, who are to be baptized, confirmed, and received into the Catholic Church at this Easter Vigil.

EASTER OFFERINGS: The collection this Easter Weekend is your gift to the Parish Priest. Thank you.

Alleluia! Christ is Risen! Alleluia! HAPPY EASTER!!!

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

Divine Jesus, Son of the eternal Father and Mary Immaculate, grant us and all the faithful true generosity in following your call and bestow on us the grace of your Holy Spirit to persevere in overcoming all obstacles to our vocations. Give the Church in this Diocese and throughout the world many holy priests, fervent religious and committed lay people. Through the intercession of the

Most Blessed Virgin Mary, all the Angels, Saint Justin, and all Saints, we humbly ask you to hear our prayers and multiply the ministries by which we may serve You and one another in faith and love. Amen.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

"O my God and my all, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, may your will be done, your love reign, your glory shine always more in me and everyone as in yourself, O my God and my all." (Saint Justin Russolillo, SDV)

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