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30th April 2017 THE NEWSLETTER for the Third Sunday of Easter (A) Masses for this week.

Date		Time	Intention	Feast
Sa	29 th	5.30pm St P's	Priest's Intention	Vigil of 3rd Sunday of Easter
Su	30 th	8.30am St P's	For the Parish	3 rd Sunday of Easter
Su	30 th	10.00am St J's	Priest's Intention	3 rd Sunday of Easter
М	1 st	7.55am	Deceased members of the	St Joseph the Worker
			Slattery family R	
Т	2 nd	8.00am	David Ainsworth L	St Athanasius BD
W	3 rd	8.00am	Stanislaw Kloszek A	Ss Philip & James Apostles
Th	4 th	7.55am	In Thanksgiving to Sacred Heart	The English Martyrs
F	5 th	8.00am	Priestly and Religious Vocations	Easter Weekday

L = Lately Dead, A = Anniversary of Death, R = Remembrance

M = Martyr, V = Virgin, B = Bishop, Pp = Pope

P = Personal Intention, S = Sick, B = Birthday

D = Doctor, P = Priest, R = Religious

Please pray for the following, the anniversary of whose deaths occur at this time:

Barbara Worthington, James Hunt, Fr Bernard Magill SJ, Francis Marsland, Lucy Platt, baby Saul Embery, Francis Burns, Mona Moon, Joseph Bolton, Henry Holden

May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.
Amen.

Collections: Very many thanks for your weekly donations for 22nd/23rd April

	Vigil	8.30am	10.00 am	TOTAL		
	£109.86	£166.75	£48.12	£324.73		

The Easter Sunday Collection for the upkeep of Jesuits in training and for those retired and sick came to £509.91 for which, very many thanks.

Readings at Mass

	3 rd Sunday of Easter	4 th Sunday of Easter
1 st Reading	Acts 2:14.22-33	Acts 2:14.36-41
2 nd Reading	1 Peter 1:17-21	1 Peter 2:20-25
Gospel	Luke 24:13-35	John 10:1-10

The Jesuit Pastoral Conference 8th – 10th June 2017

In 2017, a meeting is planned in the Conference Centre in Swanwick, Derbyshire.

The dates and times are from **5.00pm on Thursday, June 8**th until after **lunch on Saturday, June 10**th.

If you would like to attend, please see Fr Griffiths.

Mass for Migrants

'Caritas', Salford are organizing a Mass for Migrants on Bank Holiday, May 1st at 11.30am in St John's Cathedral, Salford celebrating the contribution of people from all over the world to our society through their work and service. All welcome.

The Apostleship of Prayer Praying with the Pope in May, 2017

That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice and peace.

Look at www.ThePopeVideo.org for more information.

The Parish Pastoral Council ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will take place on Wednesday, 3rd May at 7.30pm in St Peter's Club, Hurst Green. All the parish are invited; please come along and show your appreciation for what has been achieved in the last year and show, too, your support for the future.

Mary Bailey has kindly agreed to help organize refreshments for the evening and asks for volunteers to make cakes etc. Please contact her on: 01254 826269

Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Next Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Eastertide, is called 'Good Shepherd' Sunday because on that Sunday, the gospel of the Mass is always taken from St John's Gospel, Chapter 10, where Jesus calls himself 'the Good Shepherd'. This puts us in mind of the role of priests, monks and nuns in the Church of today. On this Sunday, a Second Collection is made for the training of priests for the Diocese.

You will not need to be told, I hope, that there is a serious shortage of priests in the Church here in Britain. Most Dioceses have been, or are undergoing, like ours in Salford, restructuring to cope with this shortage. The same shortage is being felt, too, by religious orders and congregations, particularly nuns, and again, the Society of Jesus is no exception to this trend. Many smaller Congregations of Religious have disappeared altogether.

With faith and trust in God and our prayers to Him, the Bishop of the Salford Diocese asks each parish, Catholic School and Institution within its boundaries to pray on one specified day each year for this intention i.e. for the increase of priestly and religious vocations. The day allotted to our parish is **FRIDAY, MAY 5**th.

What we will do.

- 1 The 8.00am Mass in St Peter's Church on this day will be offered for this intention.
- 2 There will be a Holy Hour from 5.30pm to 6.30pm before the Blessed Sacrament in **St Joseph's School Chapel** to pray for this intention.
- 3 Each parishioner is asked to say five decades of the rosary privately for the same intention.
- 4 Each person to decide how best they may privately pray for this intention.

The need is serious and urgent. How much do we value the mass and the sacraments?
Fr Peter Griffiths SJ

