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PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Those who are ill: Dorothy Howard, Pat Tiger, John Dean, Patricia Kerr, Shirley Kirkham, Paddy Shillington, Margaret & Robert Gwynne, Kevin Keeley, Mary Norburn, Judith Brook, Sally Shillington, Catherine Keeley, Pam Stephens, Diane Benton, Patricia & Spencer Harvey. Fr. James Lynch, Joseph Wilson, Laura Guest, Odessa Louise-Therese, John Thompson, Shaun Hewson, Winnie Copp, Owen Jenkinson, Thecla Domici.

Those who have died recently: **S. Mary's:** Bernie Smallbone, Peter Endean, Eileen Adams, Irene Mander, Lea Small, David Peter Stubbs, Edwin Wrigley, Elizabeth Melling, Christopher John Adlard, Ann Lavarack, Edward Noble. **S. Joseph's:** Sandra Watkinson, Brenda Smith, Joyce Kerswell, Pamela Ogden.

Those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Bridget Foy, Charles Smith, John Doyle, Kathleen Cummings, Josefine Meaby, John Lorimer Ward, Agnes Smith, Tony Keeler, Win Kir Kwam.

SECOND WEEK OF EASTERTIDE

27th April - 3rd May 2025, Year C, Psalter Week II

MASS TIMINGS AND INTENTIONS

Sunday, 27 th April		DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY
* 9.00	S. Mary's	<i>The late Holy Father Francis (+)</i>
* 11.30	S. Joseph's	<i>Rita Bryant & Denise Smith (++)</i>
14.00	S. Mary's	Holy Rosary, Confessions, Divine Mercy Chaplet
15.15	S. Mary's	<i>Pat Flanagan (+)</i>
Monday, 28 th April		S. GEORGE, PATRON OF ENGLAND
10.00	S. Mary's	For England
Tuesday, 29 th April		S. Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe
		NO MASS
Wednesday, 30 th April		S. Pius V
10.00	S. Mary's	<i>M. S. (intentions)</i>
Thursday, 1 st May		S. Joseph the Worker
18.00	S. Joseph's	<i>The People</i>
Friday, 2 nd May		S. Athanasius
10.00	S. Mary's	Bernard Smallbone (+)
Saturday, 3 rd May		Ss. Philip and James
10.00	S. Mary's	<i>The late Holy Father Francis (+)</i>
10.45 – 11.45	S. Mary's	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament w/ the Holy Rosary and Confessions
*18.00	S. Mary's	<i>Persecuted Christians</i>
Sunday, 4 th May		THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
* 9.00	S. Mary's	<i>The People</i>
* 11.30	S. Joseph's	<i>Florance & Rose Murphy (++)</i>

Please Note. **Confessions** may be made available before all Masses upon request

* Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament – for a half hour before the Mass

NOTICES

- ◆ **Introduction to Catholicism w/ Fr Kevin**, Mondays at 6 PM on Microsoft Teams. Please email if you would like to attend.
- ◆ **Walk With Me Easter booklets** are now available, £1 each.
- ◆ **SAVE THE DATE!** Bishop Patrick will be visiting us on 12th May at 7 PM at Saint Mary's, Louth to bestow the Sacrament of Confirmation on the young people of both our parishes and to receive some of our newest members into the Church. Please do come along, if you can, to support them on this very special day in their lives as Christians. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the parish centre.
- ◆ **The Jubilee Pilgrimage to Walsingham with Bishop Patrick**, Sat 14th June, gathering at the Anglican Shrine with procession to Catholic Shrine starting at 13.00. Holy Mass at 16.00 followed by departures.

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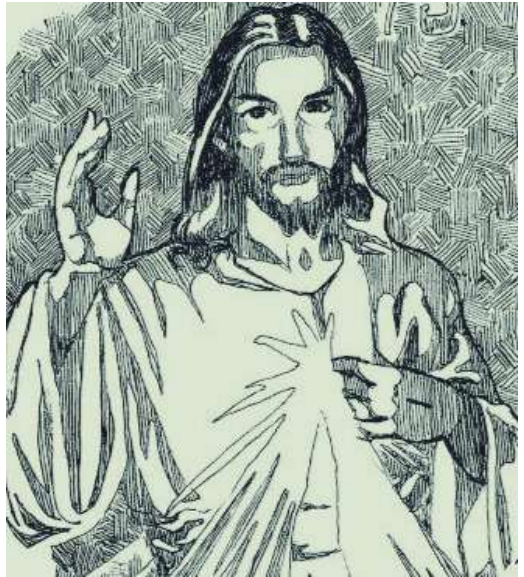
- ◆ **TODAY! Divine Mercy Sunday, 27th April at S. Mary's.** Begins at 2 PM with the Holy Rosary. Confessions will be available from 2 PM - 3 PM , followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3 PM and Holy Mass at 3.15 PM. Refreshments will be served afterwards in the parish centre. All are very welcome!
- ◆ **The funeral Mass of Mr. Bernie Smallbone** will take place this Friday, 2nd May at 10.00 AM at Saint Mary's. Please pray for the peaceful repose of his soul and for the solace of his family who grieve his loss.
- ◆ **Monthly CAFOD Collection:** Next weekend 3rd/ 4th May.
- ◆ **JOIN US on Sunday 4th May**, 12 PM. Lunch at Millers Daughter, £14.50. Contact Siobhan 07719995161. Names, payment and order ASAP please.
- ◆ We are currently having important maintenance work done on the roofs and chimneys of the church and presbytery amounting to £40,000. Any donations to **S Mary's Building Maintenance Fund** are welcomed most gratefully:
Acct name St Marys Louth RCP; **Acct no.** 00108605; **Sort code** 30-95-22

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- ◆ **Feast of S. Joseph the Worker: 1st May, Mass at 6 PM.** Please join us afterwards as we celebrate our Patron with a shared-table. If you are able to bring food and drink to share, please do sign up on the list in the narthex.
- ◆ **S. Joseph's repository:** In addition to our usual stock of excellent value cards for all occasions, we have a large selection of books and other religious items so drop in and take a look!

A WORD FROM FATHER KEVIN

This second Sunday of Easter the Holy Father John Paul II named for us Divine Mercy Sunday, and this year we would do well to lean against that promise of Divine Mercy, for it is a Jubilee year, and from the most ancient times in Hebrew history (in the Old Testament) jubilee was connected with restitution, with restoration. We are best restored as Christians when we regularly undergo the rites of holy religion, by receiving the Sacraments. The two Sacraments we regularly receive are Confession and Holy Communion. If we are going



to Confession very irregularly or not at all, we really must do something about it; it is precisely through regular confession that we lay our sinful behaviours and habits before the throne of the Holy One and remake our commitment to Him - our commitment in love to do good and avoid evil. It is this that restores us regularly, and not only in jubilee years. But jubilee years serve to focus our minds further upon restoration in Christ. In our gospel reading this weekend, S. John gives us the origins of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, as Christ gives His Apostles the authority to forgive sin, an authority they later handed down to their bishops, and the bishops to their priests. We see the authority of the Apostles to forgive sins also in the first reading, where the very shadow of the Apostle S. Peter was sought as a means of curing illness. In the Jewish mind, we know that physical illness was connected with sin, so that a sick person was thought to be suffering the consequences of sin. We might as well say that the people being laid before the Apostles for healing were penitents who were looking for the forgiveness of Christ and His healing, administered through these Eleven men. So, let us meditate today on the power of Divine Mercy, Christ's call to repentance, the agency of the Christian priesthood, and the endless love of God our Lord.

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