

14th April: Third Sunday of Easter

Monthly Devotion: The month of April is dedicated to The Holy Spirit

Day	Date	Celebration	Psalter	Mass Time	Mass Intention	
Saturday	13	Ferial		12.15pm	Peter Le Rich (PI)	Cathedral
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Sunday	14	Third Sunday of Easter				
April: 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.				8.30am 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm 5.00pm 6.00pm	Krystyna Krzeminska (RIP) Patricia Dale (PI) Angela Wainwright (RIP) Holy Hour and Benediction Polish Mass People of the Parish	Cathedral Saint Winefride Cathedral Cathedral St Winefride Cathedral
Monday	15	Ferial		12.15pm	Priest Intentions	Cathedral
Tuesday	16	Ferial		9.30am 12.15pm 6.30pm	Requiem Mass: Margaret Badiali RIP Eileen Shephard (RIP Ann.) Reception into church: Pearl Sidoli RIP	Saint Winefride Cathedral Cathedral
Wednesday	17	Ferial		12.15pm 1.15pm 5.00pm	Deceased members of the Hanley Family Funeral Service: Pearl Sidoli RIP Holy Hour and Benediction	Cathedral Cathedral Cathedral
Thursday	18	Ferial		9.30am 12.15pm	No Mass today Deceased members of the Metcalfe Family	Our Lady of Pity Cathedral
Friday	19	Ferial		12.15pm 6.00pm	Jaime Jesus Santiago (RIP Ann.) No Mass	Cathedral Saint Winefride
Saturday	20	Ferial		12.15pm 6.00pm	Nat Acquah (PI) Jim McDonnell (RIP Ann.)	Cathedral Saint Winefride
Sunday	21	Fourth Sunday of Easter	Day of Prayer throughout the World for Vocations			
				8.30am 9.30am 11.00am 5.00pm 6.00pm	Joe O-Hara (RIP) People of the Parish John Burns (RIP) Holy Hour and Benediction Breid Donaghy (RIP)	Cathedral Saint Winefride Cathedral Cathedral Cathedral

Confessions: are celebrated an hour before each Mass or by appointment via The Cathedral Office.

Canon Christopher Writes

Welcome to this week's newsletter.

We welcome Father Sean back this weekend from his holiday, I will be very pleased to see him!

Thank you to those who came to the meeting last Wednesday evening as part of the consultation on the future of the building of Our Lady of Pity. 15 parishioners attended along with Deacon Ron and myself. Those comments and views raised at the meeting will be passed on to Bishop Mark. There is still chance to write to Bishop Mark at Cathedral House with your comments. Any letters should arrive before 28 April, after which the Bishop will consider all the comments and views received before making a decision. Thank you to all those who have already written.

Wishing you a blessed week ahead.

Save the date: On Monday 6 May we will be holding our annual 'Thank you to our volunteers Mass and BBQ'. More information will follow soon.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes 2024: Maybe Our Lady is calling you to Lourdes this year, you maybe considering joining this years pilgrimage as an Assisted Pilgrim, Pilgrim, Youth Helper, Adult Helper or as a member of the Medical Team e.g. Doctors, Nurses or Carers, if so please get in touch with Christine & Tony on 01743 246916 or emailing tbrn@btinternet.com for more information or to ask those questions you have in your mind. The Diocesan brochure and booking forms are available from www.shrewsburypilgrimage.co.uk. It would be great to have you with us!

Thank you from Missio: In 2023 The Cathedral raised £1403.40, St Winefride's raised £701.45 and Our Lady of Pity, £541.46 including Red Box collections and online and direct donations. Your generosity and prayers support a worldwide network of missionaries and priests to enable communities to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and improve the lives of the whole community. If anyone would like a red box or to make a donation, please contact Sue Ragdale on 01743 851213 or Christine Underwood, 01743 364329 or email sueragdale@gmail.com. Thank you all and God Bless you.

Friends of the Holy Land: The support group of Friends of the Holy Land are planning a book sale in aid of this charity. The book sale is planned for Sunday 28th April in the Parish room at the Cathedral, after each of the three Masses.

Saint Winefrides Parish Hall: We recently updated the fuse board and some other electrical works to make the parish hall at St. Winefrides compliant with current regulations. To-date we have very kindly received approximately £1000 towards the total cost of the works of £1,200. The amount has been very generously received through donations and the coffee money. Thank you all so much for your continued support.

Canon Phil Moor Vicar General: Please continue to pray for Canon Phil who is continuing to recuperate.

Parish Drop-In Coffee Morning - Every Third Tuesday of the month: Tuesday, 16th April 2024, from 9:30am – 12:00noon in the Parish Room. You are invited to come and have a chat over a drink and biscuits. Call Trish on 01743 361347 or Tony on 01743 246916 for more information. We hope to see you there.

First Holy Communion: The next session will take place on Saturday, 20th April, in the Parish Room, 10.00am-12 noon.

Confirmation Candidates: The next preparation session will take place on Sunday 21st April 2024 in the Parish Room, 4.00-6.00pm.

Recital Season: We're very excited to announce our Recital Season commences on Sunday 5th May with a host of musicians from the Royal Birmingham Conservatoire. The first recital welcomes Benjamin Shankland, offering 45 minutes of soothing music. Recitals are free to enjoy and we take a retiring collection that benefit's the performer. Please take a copy of the Summer recital season pamphlet from the back of church or the Orchard.

Liturgy Stewards: Can you help please? It is very much hoped to put together a team of stewards, to be known as "Liturgy Stewards", to cover all the liturgical services throughout the year, other than the usual Sunday Masses. There are approximately 14 of these, each lasting between two to four hours, including arrival/leaving time for stewards. Whilst providing a sense of security and assistance for all attending, and serving your Cathedral at the same time, as a steward, it is also truly wonderful and a joy to be part of this ministry. Each liturgical service requires a good number of stewards, therefore, if you are interested, please contact the Cathedral Office, for your details to be then passed onto the team leader, who will contact you thereafter. Training will be provided and there is always the pre-service briefing! Your assistance would, indeed, be greatly appreciated. Thank you in anticipation.

A Six Week Introduction to Meditation: St Winefride's Convent, College Hill, Shrewsbury, Thursday 18th April 10am-11am. All are Welcome. Meditation is a 2,000 year old Christian tradition and a Universal practice. Discovering inner peace, and a deeper connection to God is a discipline. Over time with Meditation we become more grounded and centred. Facilitators Linda Bentick is a Meditator and a Special Interest Co-ordinator for Palliative and long term care with the World Community of Christian Meditation. (WCCM) Margaret Jarvis is a long Term Meditator and has been a Regional Co-Ordinator with the WCCM for many years. If you would like to attend or have any questions, please email me at; bentickbelinda@hotmail.com and I will get back to you. Suggested donation for the 6 week course is £10.

Offertory Envelopes: Offertory envelopes which commence in April 2024, are available for collection at the back of the churches, in alphabetical order of surname. If you do not find one with your name on it, but would like to donate in this way, please take one of the spare boxes. In the back of every box there are 3 spare envelopes to use for Clergy Education and Training, Communications and Priests' Retirement Fund special collections. Finally if you wish to join/or leave the Gift Aid scheme please contact Angela Pym via the Cathedral Office or on 0786 611 4751 or Ian Rechten on 07923884522. If you take a spare box please complete the index card and return it to the office. Thank you.

Employment Opportunities: Deputy Head Teacher: SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School, Newport (part of Our Blessed Saints School Federation) is seeking to appoint a highly motivated, dedicated, and inspirational Deputy Headteacher who can support the Headteacher in leading the school to the next stage on its exciting journey. Governors invite applications from practicing Catholic teachers. For further information please see the school website: Employment Opportunities | SS Peter and Paul Catholic Primary School. Please contact the school office on 01952 386450 to arrange a visit to school during week beginning, 15th April. The closing date for completed applications is Monday 22nd April at 5pm. Interviews will be held Thursday 2nd May.

DIOCESAN MASS FOR THE CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGE 2024: The annual Marriage Mass will take place on Saturday, June 8th at 12 noon at Saint Columba's church Chester and will be followed by a reception in the Parish Hall. Couples who are celebrating significant wedding anniversaries this year: Silver, Pearl, Ruby, Golden, Diamond or Platinum and newly married couples are invited. Please send your details to the Cathedral Office if you wish to attend.

CAFOD 20 week club draw: The winner of this week's £10 is No 70 B Wearing. Congratulations!

54-day Novena group: The 54-day Novena which began on Ash Wednesday reaches its victorious conclusion today, the Feast of Divine Mercy. We start again tomorrow, on the transferred feast of the Annunciation, praying in petition until 4th May, and in confident thanksgiving from 5th until 31st May. In this way, our novena covers the Ascension, Pentecost, Trinity Sunday and the entire month dedicated to the Blessed Virgin. Please pray the Rosary: if a whole Rosary is too much, please pray one decade; if a decade is too much, please pray one Hail Mary; if a Hail Mary is too much, please lovingly, gratefully and frequently greet the Mother of God with "Ave, Maria" and build from there. For more information, gratiaplenaShrewsbury@gmail.com

Retreat for Catholic Singles at Stonyhurst: Please see the poster at the back of church.

Marian Lamp: This week the lamp burns for a Private Intention. If you would like the lamp to burn for a particular intention please contact Laura in the Cathedral Office. A donation of £5 is suggested to help cover the cost.

Please pray for: Brian Millington, Pearl Sidoli, Maha Mai, Margaret Badiali and all those who have died recently. May they rest in peace in the arms of the Good Shepherd.

Safeguarding: Our Parish Safeguarding representative is Tony Burns. Contact email: safeguarding@shrewsburycathedral.co.uk or via the Parish Office on 01743 290000 and our Diocesan Safeguarding Coordinator is Andrew O'Brien 0151 652 9855

Covid Updates: * Please do not come to church if you are unwell or have Covid symptoms: * Please do use hand sanitiser as you enter and leave church. * Please do be sensitive to those around you and please respect others need for distance at this time.

What's on this week:

Sunday	aint Winefride's: Children's Liturgy during the 9.30am Mass			
	12 noon: Coffee after Mass in the Parish Room			
	5.00pm: Holy Hour and Benediction			
Monday				
Tuesday	9:30am – 12:00noon: Parish Drop-In Coffee morning in the Parish Room			
	7.30pm: Prayer Group			
Wednesday	5.00pm: Holy Hour and Benediction			
Thursday	1.00pm: Scrabble Board Game in the Orchard – All welcome			
	7.00pm: Choir Rehearsal			
Friday				
Saturday	10.00am-12 noon: First Holy Communion Preparation Group in the Parish Room			
	2.00pm: Prayer and Life Workshop in the Parish Room			
Sunday	Saint Winefride's: Children's Liturgy during the 9.30am Mass			
	12 noon: Coffee after Mass in the Parish Room			
	4.00pm-6.00pm: Confirmation Preparation Group in the Parish Room			
	5.00pm: Holy Hour and Benediction			

Readings at Mass

Entrance Antiphon	Cf. Ps 65:1-2	Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.	
First Reading	Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19	You killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead.	
Psalm	Ps 4:2. 4.7.9. R.v7	Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.	
Second Reading	St John 2:1-5	He is the sacrifice that takes our sins away, and not only ours, but the whole world's.	
Gospel Acclamation	Cf.Lk 24:32	Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!	
Gospel	Luke 24:35-48	So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.	
Communion Antiphon	Lk 24:46-47	The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead; in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.	

Cathedral Team:

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Offertory Collection: OLP: £215.20 Standing Orders (March) OLP: £190.00

Offertory Collection: St Winefrides: £302.22 Standing Orders (March) St Winefrides: £620.00

Offertory Collection: Holy Places: 29/03/2024: £851.87 **Thank you for your generosity**.

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