



**The Parish of  
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE  
CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD**

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**THIRD SUNDAY IN EASTER: YEAR B  
14<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2024:**

The Real Gift of Peace

We all want to experience this peace more deeply - peace of mind, heart, and soul.  
And Christ wants the same thing - that's why he suffered, died, and rose.  
But if that's so, why do we still find ourselves so easily overrun by stress, anxiety,  
and discouragement?

Many obstacles can inhibit the flow of Christ's peace in our lives.

The most obvious one is sin.

Sometimes we fall into sin out of weakness.

Those falls are easy to confess and repent of.

But other times we allow subtle habits of sin to take root in our lives.

For example, we refuse to accept some part of Church teaching on faith or morals  
- like Christ's real presence in the Eucharist, abortion, or gay marriage.

Sure, we find plenty of reasons to justify this resistance

- all the arguments we hear on the news, for instance.

But at heart, to reject official Church teaching on these issues (which we find in the Catechism),  
is to reject Christ's saving truth.

It's like telling God that we trust him a little bit, in some things, but we trust the BBC more  
in other things.

Subtle habits of sin can also take other forms:

like slacking off in our life responsibilities

- just doing enough to get by, but not really giving our best;

or wasting inordinate amounts of time on hobbies, entertainment, or gossip.

Sinful habits can also take not-so-subtle forms,

as financial corruption and pornography statistics make clear.

If we are not experiencing the peace of Christ's resurrected life a little bit more each season,  
maybe we need to do some spring cleaning in our souls.

For that, the best disinfectant is confession.

As Christ renews his hope in us during today's Mass, let's renew our hope in him too,  
and ask for the grace to receive his peace.

## **PARISH OPEN MEETING.**

There will be an Open Parish meeting **this Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm** in the Parish Centre main Hall to discuss the Bishops Pastoral letter and the questions which were given out on the Third Sunday of Lent. Please make this a date in your diary and take part in the discussions about the way forward for our parish in the future.

## **NEW LECTIONARY AND PEOPLES MISSALS ADVENT 2024**

In 2011 we were finally given the New Missal for Mass in English. The Bishops Conference of England and Wales and Scotland now have the New Revised Lectionary of Readings approved by the Vatican and it will be released in October of this year in preparation for use at the beginning of Advent. All previous Missals will be redundant as all the scriptures have been revised according to the ESV of the Bible.

Please see the website for further details and pre-orders can be made after Easter.

## **RACE NIGHT**

On Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April, 7:15 – 10:15pm at Annunciation Parish Centre St Mary's school will be holding a race evening to support young people going on the Lourdes Pilgrimage. This even is a Ticket only event (includes a slice of pizza and a drink); £5 for adults, £2 for under 18s (must be accompanied by a responsible adult).

Bring your own drinks and plenty of cash to bet on the races!

For tickets, please email [amarshall@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk](mailto:amarshall@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk) with your name and the number of tickets you require.

## **PARISH SOCIAL**

On Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April 7.00 – 10.30pm at Annunciation Parish Centre the Parish council will be holding a parish social event. There will be a chance to share your talent at an "open mic" (music, song, poetry, dance). Shared supper. Please email the parish council with your request for a "spot" and say how many adults/children will be coming with you.

Or just let us know that you are coming to enjoy the evening! £2 adult, £5 family.

More details from Liz [olqpcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:olqpcouncil@gmail.com)

## **PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS**

Our newly refurbished Parish Centre is available for bookings – parties, meetings, conferences with use of kitchen, Wi-Fi, screens and projectors, and sound system.

Should you wish to book the Parish Centre for an occasion please contact

Vincent Payne on 07742509514

## **DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES: - FRIDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> JUNE – 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2024**

Have you considered travelling on the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes in this Year of Prayer? All are very welcome to join Bishop Ralph, clergy, and parishioners from around the diocese on the 2024 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes. The organisers ask anyone who is interested to send their Booking Forms in as soon as possible so that plans can be made. Any outstanding information can follow later. Booking forms available to download at [www.hallam-lourdes.com](http://www.hallam-lourdes.com).

Enquiries 01302 247910 or 07724 650066. Fare £879pp - 6 nights Full Board (excl. Ins.) flying from Leeds Bradford Airport direct to Lourdes

## **BIBLE ALIVE**

Please return Bible Alive slips by placing slips to show whether you wish to order Bible Alive in the future by the 20<sup>th</sup> of April and place in boxes provided.

## **OFFERTORY ENVELOPES**

Boxes of envelopes for 2024/25 are now available at the back of Church. Please collect your own box and for Annunciation only please check that your address details are correct. If not, then please record the amended details on the sheet provided. *Please remember to put the box number as well as your name and address.* For cost saving purposes, a small number of envelopes in the range 100-150 have been renumbered and amendments made to our Gift Aid records where appropriate.

If you use the envelope scheme then you do not commit to giving a set amount each week. If you pay tax and have not completed a Gift Aid form then these are also available from the contact below. It costs nothing, only one simple form needs completing which covers all future years, and the Parish gains an extra 25p for every £1 that you give under the envelope scheme or by bank standing order payments. Gift Aid monies are a very important source of funds for us providing income of £29000 in 2023/24.

Yellow envelopes will also be available at the back of our Churches .

These can be used for BOTH gift aid and non gift aid offerings – you only need to sign your name on the envelope if you wish it to be gift aided.

For missing/new boxes or other queries, please contact:

Peter Sharp (01246 569417) or [pete@pasharp.co.uk](mailto:pete@pasharp.co.uk) for Annunciation

## **INTRODUCTION TO TAIZÉ THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> APRIL 7.00PM**

In preparation for our first *Taizé Evening Prayer* in the parish to be held in Church on the eve of Corpus Christi (Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June) why not come along to the Annunciation Parish Hall on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00pm to hear John-Charles Tanner and John Rivers, two of our church musicians, talk about meeting Brother Roger, the Founder and First Prior, at Taizé, their experience of leading Taizé worship groups; and watch a short audio-visual presentation on the community.

## **PIPES AND PEDALS: HAVE-A-GO ORGAN DAY!**

Have you ever wanted to get your hands on one of our two fantastic church organs? Have you ever wondered how they work or why such enormous pipes? On Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April we will be hosting a come-and-see organ afternoon in which you can listen to the organs being played by local experts, hear talks on how they can create all the sounds of an orchestra and even have a go yourself (bring a piece of music if you wish).

Drop in from 2 – 5pm. More information from the Parish Office

## **CHILDRENS LITURGY**

Children's Liturgy will begin again in the Parish Centre during 10 am Mass for all primary school children (and younger with an adult) every Sunday from 21st April until 14th July (except 26th May). Just follow the Catechist as we process out from Church and know where to return to your family at the Offertory. More details on OLQP website or Liz Stead at [olqpcouncil@gmail.com](mailto:olqpcouncil@gmail.com)

## **PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE**

There will be a rosary service of prayer for world peace at 7pm each Monday in May starting on 6<sup>th</sup> May and continuing 13<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, and 27<sup>th</sup> May.

## **WARM SPACES AND LIFE LUNCHES**

Warm spaces and Life Lunches at The Church of the Holy Spirit, Dronfield every Tuesday.

Tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits served from 10.30am - 2.00pm.

Homemade fresh soups served from 12.00noon - 1.30pm.

**LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

<b>Monday 15<sup>th</sup> April</b>	12.00noon Annunciation	Richard Langen
<b>Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> April</b>	9.30am Holy Spirit 12.00noon Annunciation	Jack Hague  Joseph Golton
<b>Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> April</b>	7.30am Chesterfield Royal 12.00noon Annunciation 5.00pm <i>Annunciation</i> 6.00pm – finish <i>Annunciation</i>	People of the Parish  Mr Augustin <i>Reception into Church of Mary Marriott</i>  <i>Confessions</i>
<b>Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	<b>11.00am Annunciation</b>	<b>Requiem Mass for Mary Marriott</b>
<b>Friday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b>	12.00noon Annunciation	Patricia Teresa Romana
<b>Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April</b>  Vigil Mass	11.00am Convent  4.30pm <i>Holy Spirit</i>  5.00pm Holy Spirit	Private Intention  <i>Rosary and Confessions</i>  Anne and Phillip Smith
<b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April</b>  <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:YEAR B</b>	8.30am Annunciation  10.00am Annunciation  5.00pm Annunciation	<i>Thanksgiving (MM)</i>  K J Mathew  Gillian Gibson

**RETIRING COLLECTION**

There will be a retiring collection following all Masses on the weekend of 28<sup>th</sup> April in aid of  
**The Priests' Training Fund**