

**Mass Intentions**

**Easter Sunday**

Saturday	7.00pm	John Murphy – Vigil Mass of Easter (St Teresa’s)
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> April	9.30am	Easter Sunday Celebration
Monday		No Mass
Tuesday		No Mass
Wednesday		No Mass
Thursday		No Mass
Friday	10.30am	Molly Robinson (St Teresa’s)
Saturday	4.15pm	Bob King (st Teresa’s)
Sunday	9.30am	Desmond Bennett

**Our prayers are asked for**

- \* Sheila Goldsack, Sarah Harrison, Peter Janczyk, Tony Kelly, Patrick Manley, Dr. Amy Mayor, Fr. Pat McKenna, Claire Menzies, Val Proud, Philip Robinson, Anne Taylor, and all in the parishes who are sick.
- \* Gerry Taylor, Audrey Turnbull, Brian Cunningham, Stephen McKenna, George Grieve, Canon Spence, Bob King and all those who have died recently.
- \* Those whose anniversaries are at this time.

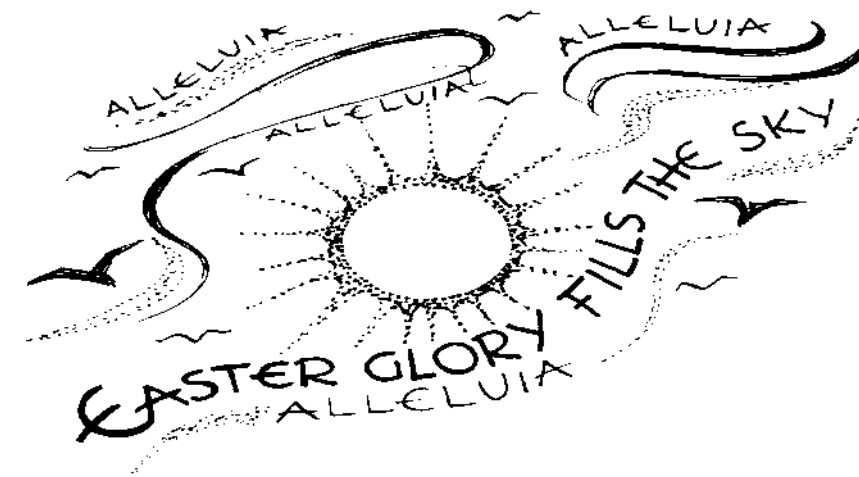
Feel free to meet Father Vernatius for confession after any of the Masses

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**If you do NOT wish someone’s name to appear on the internet, please tell us as soon as possible**



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**5th April 2026**



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### **Spiritual Digest for the month of April.**

Alleluia! Christ resurrection stands as a quiet victory that reshapes the human story, thereby turning misery into a living promise. In the tranquillity of the empty tomb, we find His presence; an awakening that speaks to every weary heart. It is here that hope is no longer fragile or fleeting but reborn with a strength, that endures beyond sorrow and unbelief. What once seemed final is however revealed to be only, the beginning.

This sacred mystery invites us into a regeneration. Hence the past, with its burdens and brokenness, no longer defines us; but offers a new path enlightened by grace. Each dawn becomes a reminder that life can rise again, that joy can follow grief, and that love has already overcome all that seeks to diminish it. The resurrection of Christ therefore is not just an event to remember, but a truth to live with, and a call to step forward with courage and conviction. And so, "Alleluia" becomes more than a word; it is the song of the soul restored, which resounds in moments of quiet gratitude and in the acts of kindness. In lifting this song, we affirm that light has conquered darkness, and that in Christ, every ending holds the promise of a new beginning. Alleluia, indeed, is our song. Wishing all of us a happy Easter !!

**Acts 10:34a,37-43, Colossians 3: 1-4 and John 20:1-9.**

On this glowing Easter morning, the first reading proclaimed that God shows no partiality, and the gospel passage revealed the empty tomb, as we behold the Risen Christ, whose victory breaks every boundary, and calls each heart into a living faith. Like the beloved disciple who saw and believed, we too are invited to step beyond doubt into the light of resurrection, where death yields to life and hope is made new. Truly, in the words of the Psalmist, "this is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad," for the dawn of Easter has turned all sorrow into Alleluia. God loves you and so, do I. Fr. Vernatius.

### **Future of our Parishes**

There will be an open meeting at both Parishes to put together our response to the Diocesan Pastoral Strategy.

**St Teresa's 15th April after 10am Mass**

**All Saints 15th April at 6pm.**

**Everyone is welcome to attend.**

**We are encouraged to join in the praying of Rosary (20 minutes & a grace of 10 minutes personal meditation) before masses in our parishes.**

**There will be Retirement collections 3rd April for Holy Places & 5th—26th April for Sick & Retired Priests.**

**DRIVER'S ANNUAL DECLARATION (VOLUNTEERS) There will be times when volunteers are required to drive a personal motor vehicle to carry out activities by the parish. The Diocese does not hold motor insurance for either volunteers or employees. And it relies upon your personal motor insurance policy providing sufficient cover in case of an accident. PLEASE COMPLETE FOPM AT THE BACK OF CHURCH.**

### **ST TERESA'S**

**Easter Raffle:** Very many thanks to all who contributed in any way to the success of our recent raffle. We have raised £216.50 for parish funds.

**Social event. Pie, peas and BINGO Wednesday 29th April. Tickets £7 to include Bingo and Food. Tickets available on the door.**

### **ALL SAINTS**

Social Group—date for diary. **Call my bluff evening Quiz**, followed by refreshments. Saturday 25th April. Tickets on sale Sunday Cost to be confirmed.

Save the Date! Race night in aid of SVP Friday 8th May at 7 for 7.30pm at Leadgate Social club. Tickets £3 on sale after Easter. Bottle donations would be gratefully received for Raffle. Generosity gratefully appreciated and helps continue our work. Thank you.

**Coffee after Mass on Sunday: Today will be hosted by Margaret & Robert, next week will be hosted by Grady Family. Come and join us for coffee and a chat.**

**Counting: 5th April Team 1— Mark Symonds & Graham McVeigh  
12th April Team 2— Hilary Peart & Julie Leckenby**

**Next Sunday readings: Acts 2:42-47, Peter 1:3-9, John 20:19-31**

**Communion Reflection 'Hallelujah' Cassandra Star + Callahan**

**Mass Attendance for last week: All Saints: 116 St Teresa's: 72**