



**'My Lord
and my
God!'**

In this week's readings we see the contrast between the apostles' profound fears and doubts in the upper room, and their emboldened faith as the early Church begins to flourish.

In the **First Reading**, the apostles perform great 'signs and wonders' healing the sick. We have a picture of a thriving ministry, with people coming from far and wide to hear and witness the message of God.

John (**Second Reading**) humbly identifies himself as a 'brother and partner' in our suffering. He offers us encouragement that Jesus is still very much alive and that, with patience and perseverance, we will overcome all suffering.

The **Gospel** replays a powerful encounter between the frightened disciples and the risen Jesus. He brings a message of peace, and a call to action to continue his ministry.

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Church is open daily from 8am until 6pm for private prayer.

MASSES THIS WEEK – Mass book – Sunday page 256.

Office Psalter Week 2: Sundays: Year C: Weekdays: Year 1

Sunday morning Mass is livestreamed and will be available for viewing later on our parish YouTube channel: <https://www.youtube.com/user/StClaresChurch>

Date	Time	Occasion	Intention/Details
Saturday	6pm (Vigil)	SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (Day of Divine Mercy)	Michael & Margaret Holleran RIP
Sunday 27 th April	9:30am		Michael Calvey Senior RIP
	6pm		People of the Parish
Monday	9.15am	ST. GEORGE	Achamma Joseph RIP
	10.30am	Requiem Mass	Bernadette Cubbin RIP
	5.30pm RPH Chapel		Patients & Staff
Tuesday	7pm	ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA	Martin Lavelle RIP
Wednesday	9.15am		Alan & Teresa Little RIP
Thursday May 1 st	9.15am	St. Joseph the Worker	Pope Francis RIP
Friday	12noon	St. Athanasius	Joyce & Colin Aspinall
Saturday	10am	STS. PHILIP & JAMES	Holy Souls November list
	6pm (Vigil)	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	Pilar Caton RIP
Sunday 4 th May	9:30am		Deceased Members of the O'Donnell Family
	6pm		People of the Parish

THE ROSARY: Is prayed after the 9.15am Mass and before the Friday 12noon Mass every week.

ANNIVERSARIES: Susan Harrison, Alan Mellitt, Margaret Smith, Patricia Tallat, Rita Medway, Pilar Caton, Geoffrey Pike, Vivian Ball.

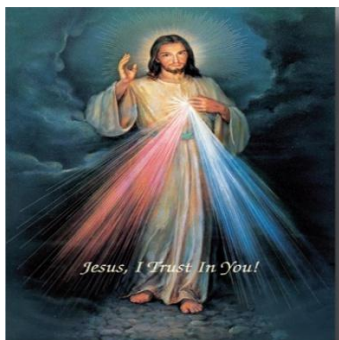
PLEASE PRAY: For all who have died especially Bernadette Cubbin whose Requiem Mass is here on Monday, and for all the sick and housebound of our parish.

MASS INTENTIONS: We have spaces for Mass intentions over the next few weeks. Envelopes for Mass offerings are in the Narthex. Please add your contact details.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: If you have a child who requires the Sacrament of Baptism, please speak to Fr. John Mark or contact the parish office.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY: For working conditions

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfilment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society might be humanised.



A DAY OF DIVINE MERCY

This Sunday 27th April there is a **Holy Hour Service with Divine Mercy Chaplet**. Confessions will be available. The service starts at 2:30pm and all are welcome. Refreshments will be available in the parish hall after the service. **Jesus I trust in you.**

REQUIEM MASS FOR THE HOLY FATHER POPE FRANCIS

At St Peter's Cathedral Lancaster on Monday 28th April at 7pm. All welcome.

RECONCILIATION & HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME: The next session for children is on Saturday 10th May between 9.30-10.30am.

FR. PHILIP NEWBOLD: Fr Philip has completed his 40 day sponsored walk and thanks you for your prayerful and financial support. For those of you who kindly sponsored him please place your money in a **plain envelope** and write on the envelope "Fr Philip's sponsor money" and place in the collection baskets at Mass. Could you also add a note of your name and amount enclosed, and if you would like to gift aid the donation also provide your address and postcode. Thank you.

CATECHESIS FOR ADULTS: This continues in the parish every Monday and Thursday at 7pm in the Narthex **recommencing this Monday 28th April**. In this Jubilee Year of Hope, Christ wants to fill us with his Holy Spirit so we can give Hope to others.

FOOD BANK: Collection this weekend 26th/27th April 2025. Thank you for your generosity.

NATIONAL ALTAR SERVERS MASS: The Archconfraternity of St. Stephen is inviting all Alter Servers and their families to the annual National Mass, to be hosted by the Diocese of Lancaster at St. Peter's Cathedral, Lancaster on Saturday 17th May at 12:15pm.

EASTER FLOWERS: A list of prayer intentions is on display in the Church. Thank you of your generous donations.

ORGAN RECITAL: Raised £333.40 for the Parish, thank you to the organisers and all who came.

SCHOOL MAY PROCESSION: Friday 2nd May at 1.45pm.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED: On Friday 2nd May at 7pm there will be a talk in the Parish Hall about the challenges facing **Christians in Nigeria**, and how our 2025 ACN Parish Campaign will support them. Refreshments and ACN merchandise will be available.

LAST WEEK: The Triduum and Easter Sunday 1191 (290/400/273/228).

Collections last weekend £1164.85. Thank you for your generosity.

Events this week (occasional/one-off events in bold type)

Day	Time	What?	Where?
Sunday 27 th April	10:30am	After Mass Tea /Coffee	Parish Hall
	6:45pm	Anointed and Sent groups (Age 11-18)	Parish Hall
Mon -Fri	3:20pm	After School Club	Parish Hall
Monday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	6pm	Cubs	Parish Hall
	7pm	Catechesis for Adults	Narthex
	8pm	Scouts	Parish Hall
Tuesday	5:30-6:30pm	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	6pm	Seekers (age 8-11)	Parish Hall
	7.45pm	NCW Liturgy of the Word	Side Chapel
Wednesday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	9:45am	Parish Coffee morning	Parish Hall
	7pm	NCW Domestic Liturgy	In Homes
Thursday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	6:15pm	Beavers <i>Polling Day</i>	Parish Hall
	7pm	Catechesis for Adults	Narthex
Friday	8-8:45am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
Saturday 3 rd May	10.30-11.30am	Sacrament of Reconciliation with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
	7pm	NCW Eucharist	Parish Hall

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: The adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is a time in quiet prayer with Jesus. All welcome.

SPONSORSHIP FOR PARISH MASS BOOKS: Thank you for your donations already received. Please can you continue to help by sponsoring the Parish Mass Books? There is an explanation sheet (pink) in the Narthex together with Sponsor form.

WE ARE PILGRIMS OF HOPE

As **Pilgrims of Hope** in this **Jubilee year**, we pray that, guided by the Holy Spirit, we will be inspired by the apostles' courage, humility and solidarity with those who are sick, lonely, fearful and marginalised.

How might we bring the peace and encouragement of Jesus into our everyday encounters during this Easter season?