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Third Sunday of Easter

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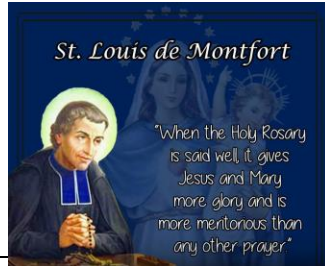
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TRUE DEVOTION TO JESUS AND MARY

You are all welcome to join us at St. Peter's in Leamington as we start again our group for the Warwickshire deanery.

The devotion is considered to be a perfect renewal of a person's baptismal promises and is based on the teachings and spirituality of St Louis Marie de Montfort. Please bring your rosary for our first meeting: Upper Room St Peter's Parish Centre, Dormer Place, Leamington Spa, CV32 5AA on Saturday 27th April at 11am. Contact Peter on 01926428399 or email rcia.cathleam@gmail.com

The Parish Office will be Closed this week and will reopen on Wednesday 24th April 9:30-12Noon as normal. Unfortunately the phone lines went down again on Thursday but this has now been rectified.

Confessions

Friday 6-7 PM

Saturday after

9:30AM Mass



UCM

The next UCM meeting will be on Monday 29th April after 10AM Mass. If anyone is interested in joining us please do join us as you will be most welcomed or speak to one us after the Masses. For those attending please come with ideas for planning the year ahead. Thank you

Knock Pilgrimage

Would you like to join a small group, for a visit to Knock Shrine in the West of Ireland? If so, you're invited to a meeting in the Coach House, after 10am Mass on 19th April to discuss, dates, flights, accommodation etc. If you are unable to make the meeting, and are interested, please phone Elaine on 01788 541513 *Knock is where an apparition occurred when Our Lady appeared, in the company of St. Joseph and St. John the Evangelist on 21st August 1879.*

Sat 13th April 2024	Easter Feria	9.30AM 18.00PM	All Parishioners Sean Morris
Sun 14th April 2024	Third Sunday of Easter	10:00AM 18.00PM	Val Richards RIP Tony Coyle
Mon 15th April 2024	Easter Feria	10.00AM 19:00PM	Alenina D'Souza Francis Ithemchionu RIP
Tue 16th April 2024	Easter Feria	10.00AM 19.00PM	Private Intention Natasha Vilos (birthday)
Wed 17th April 2024	Easter Feria	10.00AM 19.00PM	Roberto Santos Sr RIP Fr Bob Bellwood IC
Thurs 18th April 2024	Easter Feria	10.00AM 19.00PM	Dorothy Volkman RIP William & Sarah Keaney
Fri 19th April 2024	Easter Friday	10.00AM 19.00PM	Maria Leanor Faro Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat 20th April 2024	Easter Feria	09:30AM 18:00PM	All Parishioners Mary & Pat Doran

This week's Gospel – Luke 24:35-48

'It is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead'

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes. Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

Responsorial Psalm

Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

2nd Collection Next Week

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund, please give what you can, thank you.

Feast of St. George shared table next Sunday

For the Feast of St. George's (23rd April) we will have a shared table in Hibbert's Hall for all the parishioners to attend, if you are able to bring food to share, please do so placing it in the Hall before next Sunday's Mass, thank you.

Welcome to you all this third Sunday of Easter. The events of Easter exemplify the human condition, with the disciples experiencing feelings of betrayal, fear, anxiety, pain, loss, and doubt among others. However, it can be easily overlooked that God constantly summons and entrusts the weak and lowly people with important tasks. The slaves of the Egyptians were tasked to become the chosen people of Yahweh, not their masters. Moses, the poor public speaker, was to command Pharaoh to let the slaves go free. Christ was born in Bethlehem, not Rome, and an unknown maiden named Mary from Nazareth was to conceive and bear a Saviour. Jesus entrusted the great news of his resurrection to the women, not the pious Pharisees. We can easily undervalue ourselves in the face of what we can do; we can feel others would rather do a better job than ourselves or think that someone is better positioned than myself. The events of Easter remind us that when God chooses you for any work, he works through you to achieve his purpose beyond human imagination. The early Christians recognised the mission set before them, despite their own limitations. I pray that the same transformative power finds its way into the hearts of each one of you, so that we may focus on making the vineyard of the Lord a worthy place where the risen Lord truly dwells. Each and every one of us have been given diverse gifts and blessings, abilities and opportunities that are unique to the areas that God has entrusted to us to. As we see from scriptures, Jesus entrusted the great message of his resurrection to insignificant people, it is a sign that he can use us to do great things in the building up of his kingdom if only we let him use us. We are called to be courageous and committed to serving the Lord in all aspects of our lives, inspired by the Apostles and disciples; we should also be inspirational and dedicated in our actions, reaching out to others and proclaiming how God works for us daily. This will help more people believe in our Lord and Saviour, come to seek him, and reconcile with Him through sacraments of baptism, confession, or reception into full communion with the Catholic Church. Our testimony of faith through our actions can change anything and anyone. With this in mind, please take a leaflet from the back of Church and give to a friend, a neighbour, a family member etc who may have stopped coming to Church or lost their way as this leaflet 'Why come back?' designed by one of our Parishioners may aid to guide them back.

I must sadly bring to your attention that we have had an attempt to gain entry into the Church on Monday night and again on Tuesday night, thankfully they did not gain entry, we are now in the process of looking to update both our CCTV and alarms. We have had a parishioner from Christ the King in Coventry look at the system on Friday morning, if you know of anyone who works in security and would like to quote please let Jimmie know. Please note that until security is improved and Fr Aji returns **there will sadly be no Divine Mercy on weekdays.** We will continue to have Adoration on Mondays and Fridays so please do continue to spend time with the Lord in His Presence on these days. Additionally there will be no yoga until June 25th.

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Eileen McCormack, Elizabeth Harries, Lucy Thackray, Bridget McGrath, May Moyney, Anne Sen, Nora Early, Martin Murphy, Mary Morgan, Margaret Copson, Hugh Kane, Margaret Copland, Jerzy Borowski, Patricia Kummerlowe, Edward Lweandowski

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Tom Donnelly, Sharon Colleran, George Mears, Freddie Fereday, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Hattie Taylor, Lenny & Marie Niner, Val Muir, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Elsie Johnson, Ginny Eves, Paula Ann Smith, Michael Duffin, Teresa Summersgill, Breda O'Byrne, Alan Thomas, Philomena, Antonio Hernandez, Eamon Curry, Janet Eyles, Avito D'Souza, Malcolm Reeves, John Dover, Terry McSweeney, Stuart Woodcock