

The Parishes of Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale and

Christ the King, Kingstanding

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Responsorial Psalm - Ps 125(126)

R: What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

(CTK: 449 298 430 506 OLAM: 410 268 394 463)

MASSES THIS WEEK

Sat 02/04/22	12:30 CTK		Ted McKeown (RIP)
	18:00 OLAM	Fifth Sunday in Lent	Kathleen Lysaght (Anni.)
Sun 03/04/22	10:00 CTK	Filtii Sunday iii Lent	P J Lennon & family
	11:30 OLAM		Teresa Cawlfield (RIP)
Mon 04/04/22	09:30 Mon	Lent Feria	John Roche (RIP)
	12:00 CTK		Requiem Mass - William Riordan
Tue 05/04/22	09:30 Mon†	Lent Feria	Eugeniusz Mikula (Anni.)
	12:00 CTK		Michael Canavan (Anni.) - Convent
Wed 06/04/22	08:00 Con†	Lent Feria	Kathleen Stapleton (RIP)
	09:30 Mon		Jim Reilly (Recovery)
Thu 07/04/22	09:00 OLAM	Lent Feria	Mass with Cardinal Wiseman
	09:30 Mon.		Veronica Finnerty (RIP)
	10:15 MPS		PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
	11:30 OLAM		Mass with Cardinal Wiseman
Fri 08/04/22	09:00 CTK	Lent Feria	Mary Cassidy (RIP)
	10:30 Mon.		Grace Deane (RIP)
Sat 09/04/22	10:00 Mon	Lent Feria	Patrick Malone (RIP)
	12:30 CTK	Palm Sunday	Katy Connor
	18:00 OLAM		Douglas & Norah Ball (RIP)
Sun 10/04/22	10:00 CTK†		Gena Doherty
	11:30 OLAM		Jacqueline Billingham

Rosary Group: meeting every Wednesday in Christ the King Church at 3:30pm.

Bible Study with Deacon Dominic Fahey in the church of Our Lady of the Assumption every Tuesday at 7:00pm.

Stations of the Cross: At Christ the King Church every Friday during Lent at 7:00pm.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Ron & Monique Hunt, Jean McCabe, Luke Byrne, Muriel Cowan, Paul Cowan, John & Sandra Mageean, Gerald, Sarah McCallion, Audrey Vickers, John, Sadie Pulido, Sheila Ferns, Mary McGee, Margaret Gasson, Claire & Mark, Mary Ann Gniadkowski, Niamh O' Reilly, Carole Smith, Alan Rowan, Kyle Billing, Jo Teece, Nicola Jones, Daniel Kelly, Sr Marie, Patricia Nash, Alberto Bolongaro, Arjun Paul, Teresa Webb, Mary Hickey, Sean Mulkeen, Jack Foxal, Rose Lewsley, Julia Casey. Please pray for them and their families.

RIP: Please pray for William Riordan, Eileen Ismay, Sr Sylvia Mary Ireland, Michael Murphy and Fr Laurence Crowe who died recently. May they rest in peace.

Born for this: A drama presentation of the Passion of Our Lord by Cardinal Wiseman at Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale on Thursday 7th April at 6:30pm. Tickets £3 on the door. All proceeds go towards the school's Lourdes Pilgrimage 2023.

Red Mission Boxes: Could those who have a red mission box please bring it to church to be emptied next weekend.

Easter Cards: There is a lovely selection of Easter cards for sale at the church piety stall.

Gospel Reflection (Donal Neary S.J. www.messenger.ie/bookshop/)

This is a powerful story of justice and mercy. Jesus is on the side of the woman who has been accused of sin and crime. It was an unjust accusation, and the people who brought her had little good in mind.

Jesus offers more than forgiveness - he brings mercy. Mercy forgives with compassion and doesn't need lectures. It restores dignity to the victims of injustice like the lady in this story. It is the same in Jesus, for those who do not receive their dignity because of something they are, or something they did and are unjustly treated.

Jesus did not condemn; he turns the tables a bit. He simply says: *Anyone here without sin - take the stone and throw it.* Nobody does. In this atmosphere of darkness we need to hear something of the love and the mercy of God. Would light of mercy come into their darkness of condemnation? Would they leave their darkness into a personal space where they might have a change of heart?

This is also about the challenge to live honestly and without sin; and to be able to takes steps like this woman's life, to move on. All hear this word from Jesus - I do not condemn you. This comes to our society and to ourselves. We need to hear this word for ourselves as often we throw stones at ourselves more than at others. What we condemn in others is what sometimes we do not like in ourselves.

Parish Council Update

Nominations are coming in and the Council is starting to take shape. All nominees are requested to keep the evening of Monday 25th April 2022 free from 7:00 pm onwards for the first meeting of the new council. We should be in a position to confirm by next weekend whether an election is required or whether all nominees have been appointed automatically.

ST MARY'S COLLEGE, OSCOTT - TRUSTEES

Oscott College, the diocesan seminary, which forms men for the priesthood and the diaconate from England Wales, Scotland and further afield, is looking for additional trustees.

The particular areas of expertise which are needed are: Diversity and inclusion, Education and academia, HR and training, IT and digital, Media/PR Trusteeship is a voluntary role, and is a way to put your skills at the service of the church. If you would like any further information please contact Jackie Hall, College Bursar at Oscott jackie.hall@oscott.org

Ukraine Sponsorship

The Seminarians of Oscott College are raising money to support the people of Ukraine. We are aiming to complete 100 laps of our grounds, that's around 100 miles in total! In addition, each seminarian will pray a rosary whilst completing his lap, as we believe that prayer is our most powerful weapon in the fight for peace. This event will take place from Friday 1st till Sunday 3rd of April. Please support us!

Proud 2 Profess

The Kenelm Youth Trust is hosting a totally free and exciting day of community, games, input and workshops at Oscott College on the 9th April. The event is for young people aged 11+, so bring a friend and have a great day, followed by a Palm Sunday Vigil Mass! If you want to get involved, or want to know more, email me - freya.scott@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk

FORGET ME NOT SING-ALONG

Sing-along for people with Dementia, other disabilities and anyone else who'd like to come along. 1 hour of fun, singing and socialising. £5 PER SESSION (CARERS FREE) NO BOOKING REQUIRED. JUST TURN UP WHEN? Every Monday at 1:15pm Doors Open 1pm

1 Hour Session at St John's Centre, Christ The King Church, Warren Farm Road, Kingstanding, B44 0QN kidz likedanny@blueyonder. co.uk | 07544393523

https://www.facebook.com/Forget-Me-Not-Sing-A-Long-112375976947846/

Prayer Intentions during the month of April

3rd - For all unborn children diagnosed with disabilities, we pray for protection for them and their mothers from the pressures of society to have an abortion, and that they would instead experience overwhelming support by all who surround them.

10th - As we enter into Holy Week and reflect upon the passion of our Lord, we pray for all those going through their own passion. We pray especially for mothers with unexpected pregnancies in this society that often encourages them to have an abortion, that they would feel love and support from their family and neighbours, and that they would find peace and joy in the midst of their circumstance.

17th - As we celebrate the ultimate victory Christ won for us on the cross. We pray for victory in all the church's efforts. We pray especially for the church's battle to protect all life, protecting the dignity and wellbeing of human beings, from conception to their natural death.

24th - This Wednesday marks 54 years since the 1967 Abortion Act came into effect. As we hope and pray for an end to abortion, we pray especially for our Government, that their ability to support pregnant women would increase and that they would anchor themselves on the desire to protect all human life.