

The <u>WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS</u> is being observed today, Sunday,22 April "Good Shepherd Sunday." The purpose of this day is to publicly fulfil the Lord's instruction to, "Pray the Lord of the harvest to send labourers into his harvest" (Mt 9:38; Lk 10:2). Please pray that young men and women hear and respond generously to the Lord's call to the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, societies of apostolic life or secular institutes.

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Loving Father, We give you thanks, because you call us all, to participate in your divine plan for the world; that all people may find their joy and peace in you. Bless us with a heart open to you, and enable us to listen to your Holy Spirit. Enlighten our minds; that we may discern the path that we should follow. Give us courage to live out the life you invite us to; following more closely the example of Jesus your Son, who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

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### **ESSENTIAL PARISH INFORMATION:**

**EMERGENCY EXIT:** This is via the sacristy and through the house

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# Times of Holy Mass and Intentions (YEAR B Readings)

Sunday 22 April Fourth Sunday of Easter

World Day of Prayer for Vocations\*

8.30 am - For the People of The Parish

10.30 am - George Oakes R.I.P.

Today we welcome Canon David Oakley, Rector of Oscott College who will be saying both Masses in Father John's absence.

Monday 23 April Solemnity of St George, Martyr, Patron of England

No Mass today

Tuesday 24 April Easter Feria

7.00 pm - Saint Nicholas Owen Catholic Multi Academy Company

Staff, Representatives and Directors

Wednesday 25 April Feast of St Mark, Evangelist

8,30 am - Private Intention

9.00 am - #Discussion Group in The Stable

Thursday 26 April Easter Feria

11.30 am - Maria Oakes R.I.P.

& Deceased members of the Parkes & Taylor families

Friday 27 April Easter Feria

11.30 am - Stan Robson R.I.P.

Saturday 28 April Easter Feria

10.00 am - Leonard Eynsham R.I.P.

Sunday 29 April Fifth Sunday of Easter
8.30 am - For the People of The Parish

10.30 am - Laurence Rochford R.I.P.

<sup>\*</sup> There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund

Anniversaries in April: Rev Clement Harris (1905), Edward M Hailes (1955), Charles Cantillon (1985), Bridget Needham (1991), Michael Brown (1992), Elizabeth Eardley (2002), Mary Murray (2003), Piers Thompson (2004), Franz Tschak (2005), Mary Dolores Lloyd-Jones (2007), George Oakes (2009), Laurence Rochford (2011), Leonard Evnsham (2016)

### **Pravers for Sick:**

Trudy Woodall, Anthony Mitchell, Veronica Mitchell, Philip Edwards, Julia Comber, Anne Hirons, Kathleen Clarke, Maureen Ribbins, James Arbuthnott, Susannah Michaels, William Tweddell Jnr, Mo Trow, Jan Sewell, Oliver Ronan, Paul Hoban, Margaret Bradley

### **Eucharistic Ministers:**

Sunday 22 April Stephen Fox, Helen Raphael

Joan McKay, Annick Harvey

Sunday 29 April Eddie Picardo, Bridget Robson

Steve McWalter, John Charuk

Readers:

Sunday 22 April Pat Van Zyl

Jenny Wilcox

Sunday 29 April James Arbuthnott

Joan McKay

**Church Cleaners:** 

Friday 27 April Maureen Brewer, Teresa Crane & Anne-Marie Robinson

Annick Harvey, Sheila Fernihough Friday 4 May

**Money Counters:** 

For the 22 April collection: Mrs B Goodyear & Mrs M Walmsley For the 29 April collection: Dr M Bird & Mrs J Waterhouse

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Contributions to the Parish: Weekly Offertory taken on Sunday 15 April

> Gift Aid Direct Debits £ 253.00 Gift Aid Envelopes £ 169.50 £ 168.69 Loose cash

# The Wednesday Word Trust leaflets are available from the table in the porch or may be downloaded from: http://www.wednesdayword.org/parish/ index.htm (click on The Parish Version) either for your personal use at home or in anticipation of the group discussion on Wednesday mornings.

The informal discussion group is led by Fr John and is open to everyone.



Congratulations to the **100 CLUB** winners for March who were: Mrs Pauline Teare, Mr Charles Fernihough and Mrs Anne Hingley.

The 100 CLUB for 2018-19 starts on 1 May. In order to be in with a chance of winning cash prizes in the coming year please complete and return application form/s, together with remittance asap.



The **Annual Summer Raffle** will be drawn on Fete Day (Saturday 23 June) and once again we are asking for your ideas and donations of attractive prizes in order to attract maximum sales.

Please contact the Parish Office with your thoughts on any of the above: StMarysrc.harvington@gmail.com .

Thank you in advance!

CHURCH FLOWER ARRANGING All volunteers on the 'Flower Rota' as well as anyone who may be interested in seeing a demonstration of how the beautiful arrangements of flowers are made for our church are most warmly invited to a gathering on Friday 27 April at 10.30 am in the stable.





HAGLEY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL are holding a fundraising Antiques Lecture and Valuation Evening at the school on Wednesday 25 April at 7.00pm. Please see the poster in the porch for further details.

The FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND thank everyone who supported their Fashion Show last week, whether by buying tickets, donations or just turning up on the day. It was a very successful and enjoyable venture, and they made a staggering £950. This will be of great benefit to the families whom they support in the Holy Land.



Our Foodbank collection this month came to £139 and 44.3kg. Thank you everybody, our support is very helpful and the volunteers are very grateful.

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GOOD HOME WANTED for Hepplewhite style Mahogany dining suite, sideboard, oval table, 6 chairs including 2 carver chairs, in good condition. Free/donation to charity. Please contact Jane Handley 01562 745158 to view.

### ST GEORGE'S DAY - 23 APRIL

Popular tradition presents St George as the knight who killed the dragon making him a symbol of a triumph of faith against the forces of evil. St George, martyr +303, lived shortly before Constantine's I reign. He was born into an illustrious family in Cappadocia and at a young age was raised to the ministry during Emperor Diocletian's reign. When the emperor promulgated an edict against the Christians, St George professed his faith publicly, for which he was martyred. During the crusades Richard Coeur de Lion impressed by the cult of St George, so popular in the east, made St George the Protector of England. He is a patron saint of England. Portugal. Germany, Aragon, Genoa, & Venice, his tomb is in Lod, near Tel Aviv, in Israel.