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## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat	30th	18:15	For a Special Blessing (Job Success)	St Patrick's
Sun	1st	08:45	Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>		09:00	Elizabeth McDaid	Our Lady's
		11:00	Mary Lockett & Brendan Regan	St Patrick's
		12:30	Baptism - Matthew Worpole	St Patrick's
Mon	2nd	<b>St Athanasius, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b> No Mass or Service today		St Patrick's
Tue	3rd	<b>Ss Philip &amp; James, Apostles</b> 12:00 Cäcilia & Jack Stanton		St Patrick's
Wed	4th	<b>The English Martyrs</b> 19:00 Private Intention		Our Lady's
Thur	5th	<b>Ferial</b> 19:00 Thomas Joseph Anniversary		St Patrick's
Fri	6th	<b>Ferial</b> 12:00 Patrick & Kathleen Dooney (Anniversay)		St Patrick's
		18:00 Mass in Polish		St Patrick's
Sat	7th	<b>Ferial</b>		
Sat	7th	18:15	Thanksgiving to Jesus and the Blessed Mother	St Patrick's
<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b>	Sun	8th	08:45 Mass in Polish	St Patrick's
			09:00 Special Intention	Our Lady's
			11:00 Lewis Neilson (SVP Intention) <i>First Communion Mass</i>	St Patrick's

### CONFESSIONS

Heard by Appointment

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## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

### FIRST READING *(Acts 5: 27-32. 40-41)*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. "We gave you a formal warning," he said "not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us." In reply Peter and the apostles said, "Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him." They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

The word of the lord.

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM *(Psalm 29)*

**R/ I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me.**

### SECOND READING *(Apocalypse 5: 11-14)*

A reading from the Book of the Apocalypse

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands shouting, "The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing." Then I heard all the living things in creation—everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, "To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever." And the four animals said, "Amen"; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

The word of the Lord.

**R/ Thanks be to God.**

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.**

**Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.**

**Alleluia!**

### THE GOSPEL *(John 21: 1-14)*

The Lord be with you.

**R/ And with your spirit.**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

**R/ Glory to you, O Lord.**

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, "I'm going fishing." They replied "We'll come with you." They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out. "Have you caught anything, friends?" And when they answered, "No", he said, "Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something." So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord." At these words "It is the Lord", Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him, and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you have just caught." Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, "Who are you?"; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

After the meal Jesus said to Simon Peter. "Simon son of John, do you love me more than these others do?" He answered. "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" He replied, "Yes, Lord, you know I love you." Jesus said to him, "Look after my sheep." Then he said to him a third time, "Simon son of John, do you love me?" Peter was upset that he asked him the third time, "Do you love me?" and said, "Lord, you know everything; you know I love you." Jesus said to him,

"Feed my sheep.

I tell you most solemnly,

when you were young

you put on your own belt

and walked where you liked;

but when you grow old

you will stretch out your hands,

and somebody else will put a belt round you

and take you where you would rather not go."

In these words he indicated the kind of death by which Peter would give glory to God. After this he said, "Follow me."

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R/ Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

## PRAYER REMEMBRANCES

Your prayers are asked for the sick and the housebound and all those who are in hospital, the Hospice or local nursing and care homes. We remember especially the doctors, nurses and all medical staff at our hospitals; also all the staff at our local nursing and care homes and parishioners shielding or self-isolating at home at this time.

Please continue to keep in prayer **Fr Anthony Wild**, Parish Priest at Newport and Market Drayton. Please also keep in prayer **Austin Atkinson** and **Lewis Neilson** all who are unwell at this time.

We remember in prayer all who have died, and all who are mourning the death of a loved one, and all whose anniversaries occur about this time. We pray especially for **Paul Sz wajkowski** (Funeral on 16 May); **Fr David Peters** and **Fr Robin Sutton** (two retired priests of the diocese) who died recently.

## THE POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

For May, Pope Francis asks us all to keep in our prayers the following intention:

### For Faith-filled Young People:

We pray for all young people, called to live life in the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

## HOLY COMMUNIONS

Our Holy Communion season begins next Sunday with the first of this year's Candidates receiving the Sacrament for the first time. Sunday morning Masses may be extra busy for the coming weeks as families celebrate with their children.

Please keep the children and their families in prayer.

### Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and justice,  
we pray for the people of Ukraine today.  
We pray for peace and the laying down of  
weapons.  
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,  
that your Spirit may comfort them.  
We pray for those with power over peace and war,  
for wisdom, discernment,  
and compassion to guide their decisions.  
Above all we pray for the precious children,  
at risk and in fear,  
that you would hold them and protect them.  
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace.  
Amen.

## MONEY MATTERS

Last Sunday's Offertory Collections:  
St Patrick's: £1,106.70  
Our Lady's: £314.00

Many thanks for your continued generosity.

## COVID RESTRICTIONS UPDATE

**Please continue wearing masks over your nose and mouth throughout the service, sanitizing and keeping a safe distance, where possible. It is still our duty to protect each other.**

People displaying symptoms of covid-19 should stay at home, and medical advice sought as appropriate for those who are ill.

Holy Communion will remain under one kind and distributed on the hand. **Please keep your mask in place until you have received the Host then step aside to remove your mask to consume.**

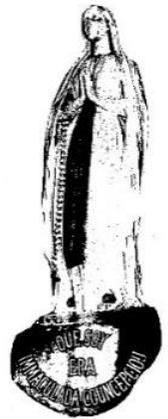
**Please do not kneel** – it keeps a safe distance from the people in front of you. There are no longer fallow rows.

## THE PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES 2022

*Overland: Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> July to Friday, 5<sup>th</sup> August  
By Air: Friday, 29<sup>th</sup> July to Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> August*

Fr David Long, the Pilgrimage Director has written, "Now that the covid restrictions have been eased, our annual Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes will take place. Prices start from as little as £440 which includes travel, full board accommodation, and full pilgrimage programme."

Further details and booking forms are available in the white envelopes that can be found in the church porch. We shall again form a **Telford in Lourdes Group**, so that all those joining from the parishes of our East Shropshire Deanery can travel and stay together in Lourdes.



## CALLING MUSICIANS AT OUR LADY'S

Now that we are beginning to get back to normal; music has a special place in our Liturgy. I am looking for some help at Our Lady's Church. I would love to hear from anybody who plays a musical instrument and who would like to join me on a Sunday morning. Many of the country's successful musicians started in the church environment. We usually have an hour-long practice on a Thursday evening. I am also looking for a reserve keyboard player so we can fully support the liturgy, and effectively lead the congregation in song each week.

For more information, please contact Dianne – 07918 188688.

## SVP – TELFORD FOOD BANK

We continue to collect items for the Food Bank and Baby Bank; you have been truly generous in your donations.

## WELLINGTON CIVIC SOCIETY

Outing to Powis Castle on Monday, 23<sup>rd</sup> May. Cost is £11.50 for cost of coach; entry to castle is £13.30 (free to National Trust members). Coach leaves the Red Lion on Holyhead Road at 10.15am and arrival back will be 5.15pm. Details and Booking Forms available in each of the church porches.

### THE PLOUGH INN FUN DAY

**This Sunday, The Plough Inn, next door to St Patrick's Church, will hold its annual fundraising day *For Help the Heroes*. It is always a very busy event and will begin at 12 noon. Plough Road will be closed (including the church car park off Plough Road. It may be necessary to park in the Railway Car Park as the lay-by is expected to be in use.**

## HEALTHIER MINDS FESTIVAL

This Thursday, 5<sup>th</sup> May, Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin CCG are presenting an event for all where you can learn about health and wellbeing and share your thoughts on feeling emotionally well. There is a free vegetarian lunch available.

The event is at Telford Cultural Centre, 40 High Street, Hadley, TF1 5NG from 1pm-5pm.

Details can be found on the notice board or at <https://stwics.org.uk/get-involved/shropshire-telford-and-wrekin-ics-events/healthier-minds-festival>

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## FIRST COMMUNIONS

Starting next Sunday and until the end of June we celebrate the First Communions of the young people who have been enrolled in this year's First Sacrament Programme.

We congratulate all the young people involved; their parents and the catechists who have worked with them in the time of preparation.

Please keep them all in your prayers at this very special time in their Christian lives.

The list of those who will be receiving Communion for the first time is up on the noticeboards. We will need to reserve some places for the Communicants and their family members.

## DEFIBRILATOR

St Luke's School have installed a new semi-automatic battery-operated Defibrillator outside the front of the school building - part-way between school and church. It is located in the bright yellow heated and lit storage unit you will see on the wall there. This unit is unlocked so the Defibrillator can be accessed by just turning the unit handle and does not need an access code.



Training is not required before someone can use the Defibrillator, and the initial steps to follow are printed on the front of the storage unit. Once you have activated the Defibrillator it will automatically guide you through the use process. The basic steps are:

1. If the patient is unresponsive and not breathing normally, start CPR.
2. **Always phone 999 for an ambulance before starting the Defibrillator.** The emergency call centre will ask if you have a Defibrillator nearby, and can also help whilst the ambulance is deployed
3. Remove the Defibrillator from its hook in the storage unit and open its case.
4. Once the Defibrillator is opened, as instructed, press the Defibrillator button to activate the process. You will see that the Pads for attaching to the patient are located on one side of the opened Defibrillator case. Also attached to the Defibrillator is a colour coded illustrated guide showing where the pads are to be positioned for an adult and for a child. A larger version of this is also kept in the storage unit, together with some first aid basics to help with the Defibrillator application and deployment
5. Once you have activated the Defibrillator button and attached the pads you will be given automated instructions via the Defibrillator

Please take the time to make yourselves aware of where the Defibrillator is.

## THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Jesus continues to amaze the disciples after his resurrection, yet they do not always recognize him immediately. At our celebration of the eucharist we too are invited to enjoy the presence of the Risen Lord in his word, in each other, and in those who minister. Our faith, like that of the disciples, enables us to recognize him in the breaking of bread.

## BANK HOLIDAY

Whether you will part in the Help-for-Heroes event or take a bracing walk in Attingham; an ice-cream and perhaps a dip in the sea in north Wales; a quiet day at home relaxing with family and friends; or the opportunity for last-minute revision before a public examination, have a really wonderful weekend.