PRAYER TO ST JOSEPH

O Blessed St Joseph,
Patron of the Universal Church,
extend to all God's children the care you showed
to the Holy Family in Nazareth
and pray for us as we gather to celebrate the Eucharist.
Guide & protect all the people of our parish
and make the light of Christ shine among us
so that His Kingdom may be established in our midst.

Amen.

PARISH GROUPS

Rosary Group: Mondays after Mass SVP: meets alternate Wednesdays at 2.30pm.

CAFOD group: meets monthly Music Group: contact Julie Train

Bereavement Group: contact Maureen Barnes

Guild of St Stephen (altar servers): last Sat of the month at 9am

Play Group & Nursery: contact Ann King on 671356 Youth Club: 1st & 3rd Friday of the month at 7.30pm

Diners' Club: meets monthly

Men's Breakfast: 1st Saturday of the month 8.30am

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office: Maureen Barnes & Cath Nugent, office hours: Weds & Fri 10am-3pm

Gift Aid Organiser: Angela Thompson

Child Protection: Breda Helm

Parish Magazine: Margaret Taylor / Tony Hayward Sacrament of Reconciliation: Sat 4pm or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism: after Mass on Sundays

Sacrament Marriage: By Appointment

Adoration: Thursdays 8-8.30pm & as announced

SUNDAY MASS TIMES IN NEIGHBOURING PARISHES

Brownhills St Bernadette:Sat 6.30pm, Sun 10am

Cannock SS Mary & Thomas More: Sat 5.15pm, Sun 8am, 10.30am

Hednesford Our Lady of Lourdes: Sat 6pm, Sun 9.30am

Lichfield Holy Cross: Sun 8.30am, SS Peter & Paul Sat 6pm, Sun 11am

Rugeley SS Joseph & Etheldreda:Sat 7pm, Sun 11am, 6.30pm

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ST JOSEPH'S PARISH NEWS

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EASTER OCTAVE

Week beginning Sunday 24 April 2011 Sundays Year A; weekdays Year 1; Psaiter: Easter Octave

Sunday 24 April 5pm (Sat)	Easter Sunday Mass	People of the Parish
10am	Mass	Helen Magulska
Monday 25 April	Easter Monday	
10am	Mass	Susan Burke
7pm	Holy Hour	
Tuesday 26 April	Easter Tuesday	
9.15am	Mass (in school)	Christine Byrne
Wednesday 27 April	Easter Wednesday	
12pm	Requiem Mass	Margaret Mary Yates
Thursday 28 April	Easter Thursday No Service	
Friday 29 April	Easter Friday	
	No Service	
Saturday 30 April	Easter Saturday	
4pm	Confessions	
Sunday 1 May	Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)	
5pm (Sat)	Mass	People of the Parish
10am	Mass	Joan Coley
11.30am	Baptism	Ava Violet Atkinson

THE WORD THIS WEEK

This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. We continue our Easter celebrations with John's account of Mary Magdalene's early morning panic on finding the stone rolled away. Peter and John running to the empty tomb and, whilst John stays outside, impetuous Peter hurtling headlong in. Even seeing the linen wrappings there, they do not understand the scripture, that Jesus must rise from the dead. After all the signs - the transfiguration on Mount Tabor, the Samaritan woman at the well, the raising of Lazarus - the apostles still wonder what is going on. So too, I suspect, would we, for we doubt as they doubted. As we celebrate the resurrection today, let us resolve to live the gospel, to be the good news, to tell people about Jesus, the risen Word of God, will be strengthened. What we have heard in whispers, we should shout from the rooftops. Christ is risen; he is risen indeed, Alleluia!



PLEASE PRAY FOR

John Anthony Stokes, Charlotte Hughes.

Rogers, Margaret Theresa Swift.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

The sick & housebound: Sheila Appleton Those who have died recently: Margaret (nee Levell), Gillian Atkinson, Chris Aus-Mary Yates, Edward O'Loughlin, Joan tin, Christopher Barton, Christopher Coley, Muriel Hayes, Teresa Averill, Pat- Brown, Nikki Carr, Pauline & Ken Chaprick William Ryan, Susan Burke, Angela lain, Anne Corfield, Auriel Dalley, Roger Felgate, Winnie Williams, Betty Bardell, Dunne, Janet Evans, Stuart Frost, Olga Grant, Jean Griffiths, Jill Gutteridge, Tracy Holland, Mary Hughes, Dorothy Those whose anniversaries occur this Hurley, Clare Kettle, Josie Kimberly, week: Dorothy Ebery, John O'Brien, Lorraine Macbeth, John Magulski, Lily Edna Annie Kiggins, Nigel Alford McGrath, Michael McGowan, Tracy Rogers, Elizabeth Malley, Harry Bennet, McGregor, Amy McKeon, Anita McLean, Frances Westwood, Winifred Annie Rob- Diane Meddings, Paul Robert Moffat, inson, Emma Frances Cannon, Paul Daniel Moody, Ricardo Morcillo, Vincent Morgan, Betty Myatt, Elsie Norman, Maureen Parker, Bob Preston, Bernadette Samongie, Tony Scott, Michael Stanley, Derrick Stone, Linda, Andy & Bethany Sutton, Margaret Trickett, Matthew Waterfield, Thelma Waters, Josie Wilson, Jean Winsper, Maureen Withy

GENERAL NOTICES

THANK YOU: Thanks to all who helped with the Holy Week & Easter celebrations. especially the musicians, altar servers, florists, readers, church cleaners & Eucharistic Ministers.

EASTER COLLECTION: A reminder that the collection at the Easter Vigil & on Easter Sunday goes to the Parish Priest. There is no second collection.

ROSARY GROUP: No Rosary on Mon 25 April

YOUTH CLUB: If there are any parents willing to help with running the youth club, please see Fr Patrick or Lisa Gartshore.

CAFOD: Please support Ulrike Jones who is running the Lichfield Half-Marathon on May 1st for Cafod. Sponsor forms at the back of church.

DINERS' CLUB: Friday 13 May, 7.30pm at the Nag's Head. Please sign up if you wish to come. All Welcome.

MEDJUGORJE: Marian Tours Pilgrimage 15-22 May, £519 (insurance £20 if required). Contact Josie Smith on 01889 582146 if interested.

HILTON TALKS: Life in the Spirit Seminars Fri April 29—Fri June 10, 7.15pm. Please take green leaflet from back of church For more details ring Julie: 01543 672923 or Nichola: 01543 480428

SVP: If anyone knows somebody who would appreciate a visit by members of the SVP please let Fr Patrick or a member of the SVP know.

FINANCE

Collection 16-17 April: £1134.11 (gift aid: £848.10 loose £286.01)

Second collections:

last Sunday: Good Friday:

no second collection Holy Places

this Sunday:

no second collection

next Sunday:

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THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Sunday refreshments: Caroline Baker and Carol Wood