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# Divine Mercy

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<b>5<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026: EASTER SUNDAY- SOLEMNITY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD</b>		
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> April	8.00pm: St Anne's Easter Vigil Mass	People of the Parish
Sun 5 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00am: St John the Baptist 11.00am: St Anne's Mass	Annie and Robert McEvoy Sharon England
Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> April	No Mass	
Tues 7 <sup>th</sup> April	9.15am: St Anne's Mass	Marie Arnett
Weds 8 <sup>th</sup> April	9.15am: St Anthony's Mass	Baby Chris and Family
Thurs 9 <sup>th</sup> April	9.15am: St John's Mass	Phil McNamara
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> April	6.00pm: Holy Hour and Benediction 7.00pm: St Anne's Mass	Sharon England

<b>12<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2026: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)</b>		
Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> April	5.00pm: St Anthony's Mass	Semens and Queenan families
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> April	9.00am: St John the Baptist 11.00am: St Anne's Mass 3.00pm: St Anne's Divine Mercy Service	Holy Souls For His Soul

<b>Confessions</b>	<b>Mass Today in the Sunday Missal</b>
<b>St John:</b> On request <b>St Anthony:</b> Saturdays 4.30pm <b>St Anne:</b> Fridays 7.30pm	Readings and Prayers: Page 276 Preface: on page 186 Eucharistic Prayer: on page 487

### **Message from Fr Sean**

Dear brothers and sisters,

**A very happy and holy Easter to you all.**

**Christ is risen!** This is the heart of our faith and the source of all our hope. In the Resurrection, we are reminded that no darkness can overcome the light of Christ, and sin does not have the final word when Christ is present. May this joyful season renew your faith, strengthen your hope, and fill your hearts with the love, peace and joy that come from the Risen Lord.

**I would also like to take this opportunity to express my sincere thanks for your generosity with the Easter Offering.** The Offering at Easter (and Christmas) goes directly to your parish priest, and forms one of the main sources of income. Your kindness and generosity are therefore deeply appreciated, and they are a real support to me in my ministry here among you.

**Please be assured of my continued prayers for you and your families during this blessed season. Please pick up a free copy of the Divine Mercy Novena:** nine days of prayer, beginning on Good Friday and continuing until Divine Mercy Sunday. Jesus said to St Faustina: "By this novena I will grant every possible grace to souls."

**On Divine Mercy Sunday (the Sunday after Easter),** I will bless images of the Divine Mercy after the Sunday Masses. These are available in the piety stalls as pictures, candles, and statues. Jesus said to St Faustina: "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image will not perish."

**Also on Divine Mercy Sunday,** there will be a 3pm half-hour service (the Hour of Mercy) with Eucharistic Adoration and the opportunity to venerate the image of Divine Mercy. This will be followed by a partnership celebration at 3.30pm in the parish room next door. Please make every effort to come. Refreshments will be available.

**Blessings** For blessings of houses, cars, or religious artifacts, please do not be afraid to ask Fr Sean.

**Baptisms** To have a child age 6 or under baptised it is necessary for the **Catholic** parent to first attend two classes. Only one parent needs to attend, the other can babysit - please do not bring children. Both classes will be held monthly. After attending both classes you will be able to apply for baptism. Please let Fr Sean know of your intention to attend.

1) What is Baptism?

(Next class: **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am**)

2) Responsibilities after baptism.

(Next class: **Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> April 10.30am**)

**Sunday Morning Refreshments** Parishioners, families and friends are warmly invited to join in the parish centre every Sunday morning after 11.00am Mass, where tea, coffee and biscuits are served. This is an opportunity to come together, socialise and get to know other members of the parish.

**Tea Dance** Please come and join us on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April 2026, 1.00 - 3.00pm in the Parish Centre. The entrance fee is £2, to help those in need in our community, and there will be the usual bingo and raffle. The following tea dance will be on 27<sup>th</sup> May.

**Mass Intentions and Votive Lamps** Intentions for Masses should be made using the envelopes in church, indicating your intention and enclosing your donation. To have a lamp for the Blessed Sacrament (Sanctuary Lamp) or for Our Lady lit for your intention please use the same envelope indicating that it is for a lamp.

**Sanctuary Lamp:** Sick of the Parish

**Our Lady's Lamp:** Parishioners

**Church Rota - St Anne's, Week Beginning 5.4.26**

**Counting:** Margaret and Kathy

**Collections 29.3.26**

**St Anne's:** £328.90 (GAD £54.00)

Weekly Standing Order Donations £81.57 (GAD £50.34)

**Ss. John & Anthony's:** Offertory: No counting this week

Weekly Standing Order Donations £71.57 (GAD £66.96)

Thank you for your generosity!

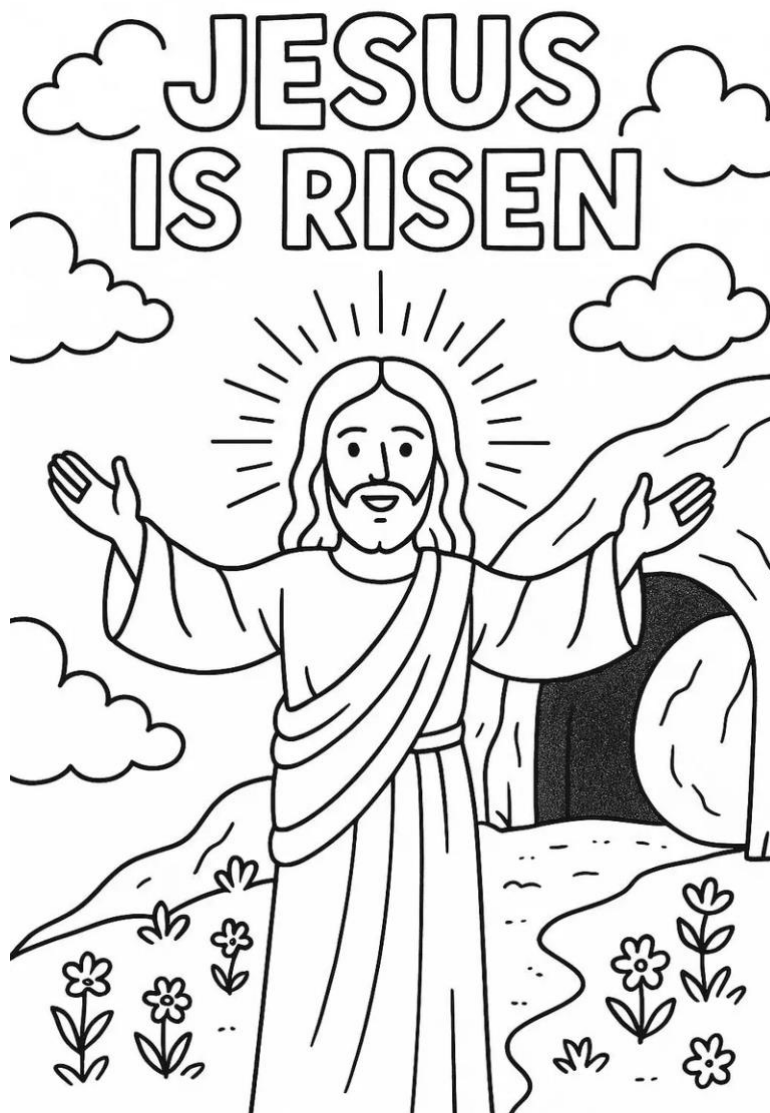
**Bonus Ball Winner:**

**28.3.26:** No. 18- Breda Flaherty

**Going into Hospital** Please inform the hospital Chaplain (Fr Roger Raven- 0121 424 1369) and Fr Sean. He will happily come and see you beforehand.

**Deaths** Please pray for the repose of the souls of Lily Kelly, Mary Doyle, Hazel Allsopp, Marie Arnett, Betty D'Arcy, Sharon England, Phil McNamara, Breda Ensor, Margaret Murphy, Martin Kavanagh, Ellen Merrins, Teresa Sullivan, Patricia Powell, Christine Cox, Brendan O'Beirne, Thomas McGinley, Ernest Price, Karen Hill, Sean Keegan, Barrington Brown, Sister Therese, Marcia Irons, Lena Lynch, Michael McKinney, Jack Byrne, and the souls of all the recently deceased. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace, Amen.

## CHILDREN'S COLOURING



Local Cluster Churches Sunday Mass Times			
MASS TIME	CHURCH	MASS TIME	CHURCH
5pm (Sat)	St Anthony's church, Kingshurst	10.45am (Sun)	Sacred Heart and St Teresa's church, Coleshill
5.30pm (Sat)	Sacred Heart and St Teresa's church, Coleshill	11am (Sun)	Mother of God & Guardian Angels church, Shard End
9am (Sun)	St John the Baptist church, Smiths Wood	11am (Sun)	St Anne's church, Chelmsley Wood
9.30am (Sun)	Our Lady Help of Christians church, Tile Cross	5pm (Sun)	Our Lady Help of Christians church, Tile Cross

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times.

Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Grace Jackson (EMAIL: [sg.divinemercypartnership@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.divinemercypartnership@rcaob.org.uk)) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concerns.

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