

31st March 2024 - Easter Sunday(Year B)

Mass dates, Mass intentions, and other Service times this week

WORSHIP & SACRAMENTS

STEWARDSHIP

Sunday 31st	10.00am	Mass: People of the Parish
Tuesday 2nd	9.30am	Mass: Deceased members of Inman Family
Wednesday 3rd	9.30am	Mass: Helen Place, RIP
Thursday 4th	9.30am	Mass: Charlie Loughlin, RIP
Friday 5th	12.00noon	Mass: Tom Flores, RIP
Sunday 7th	9.30am	Mass: Angela Bell, RIP
Octave day of Easter	5.00pm	Mass: People of the Parish

MASS INTENTIONS RECEIVED	Private intention	
SCHOOL	Our Lady Queen of Martyrs RC Primary School & Nursery Headteacher: Mrs. Emma Barrs For admissions/enquiries contact School Office: 01904 806093 enquiries@olqm.npcat.org.uk	
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EASTER HOMILY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

If any be a devout lover of God,

let them partake with gladness from this fair and radiant feast. If any be a faithful servant, let them enter rejoicing into the joy of their Lord. If any have wearied themself with fasting, let them now enjoy their reward. If any have laboured from the first hour, let them receive today their rightful due. If any have come after the third, let them celebrate the feast with thankfulness. If any have come after the sixth, let them not be in doubt, for they will suffer no loss. If any have delayed until the ninth, let them not hesitate but draw near. If any have arrived only at the eleventh, let them not be afraid because they come so late.

For the Master is generous and accepts the last even as the first. He gives rest to the one who comes at the eleventh hour in the same was as who has laboured from the first. He accepts the deed, and commends the intention.

Enter then, all of you, into the joy of our Lord. First and last, receive alike your reward. Rich and poor, dance together. You who fasted and you who have not fasted, rejoice together.

The table is fully laden: let all enjoy it. The calf is fatted: let none go away hungry. Let none lament their poverty; for the universal Kingdom is revealed. Let none bewail their transgressions; for the light of forgiveness has risen from the tomb. Let none fear death; for death of the Saviour has set us free. He has destroyed death by undergoing death. He has despoiled hell by descending into hell. He vexed it even as it tasted of his flesh.

Isaiah foretold this when he cried:

"Hell was filled with bitterness when it met you face to face below"; filled with bitterness, for it was brought to nothing; filled with bitterness, for it was mocked; filled with bitterness, for it was overthrown; filled with bitterness, for it was put in chains.

Hell received a body, and encountered God. It received earth, and confronted heaven.

O death, where is your sting? O hell, where is your victory?

Christ is risen! And you, O death, are annihilated! Christ is risen! And the evil ones are cast down! Christ is risen! And the angels rejoice! Christ is risen! And life is liberated! Christ is risen! And the tomb is emptied of its dead; for Christ, having risen from the dead, is become the first-fruits of those who have fallen asleep.

To him be Glory and Power, now and forever, and from all ages to all ages. Amen!