



# Metropolitan Cathedral & Basilica of St Chad

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## Third Sunday of Easter

### 1<sup>st</sup> May 2022

**Divine Office: Psalter Week 3**

**Third Sunday of Easter**

**Entrance Antiphon** Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

**Responsorial Psalm** I will praise you Lord, you have rescued me.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

**Communion Antiphon:** Jesus said to his disciples: Come and eat. And he took bread and gave it to them, alleluia.



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**We are pleased to inform you all Masses at the Cathedral will be live streamed. Please visit our website for details.**

**All Ceremonies are open to the public, unless otherwise stated. Please check the Cathedral website homepage for changes and if in doubt refresh the page to see most up to date notices.**

**SOME COVID CONDITIONS REMAIN.**

### Mass Times: 30<sup>th</sup> April – 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022

**Sat 30 Vigil for Third Sunday of Easter**  
4.30pm Angela Eke RIP

**Sun 1 Third Sunday of Easter**  
*Celebrant: Fr Van Nguyen (St Mary's College, Oscott)*  
9.30am People of the Parish  
11.30am Mattie Collins

**Mon 2 Memorial of St. Athanasius**  
10.00am John Butler

**Tue 3 Feast of Ss Philip and James**  
12.15pm Ints of Bishop Philip Pargeter

**Wed 4 Feast of English Martyrs**  
12.15pm Bruno and Alice Nowotnik RIP

**Thurs 5 Easter Feria**  
12.15pm Special Int (Symonds)  
1.15pm Monthly Organ Recital

**Friday 6 Easter Feria**  
12.15pm Canon Bernard Hurrill (Anniv)

**Sat 7 Vigil for Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
4.30pm People of the Parish

**Sun 8 Fourth Sunday of Easter**  
9.30am For Vocations to the Priesthood  
11.30am Roque Rodrigues RIP (Anniv)  
1.15pm Baptism of Leo & Francesca Horkan

**The God Who Speaks** – Next Sunday's Readings:  
**Acts 13:14, 43-52; Ps 99; Apocalypse 7:9, 14-17;**  
**John 10:27-30**

[www.godwhospeaks.uk](http://www.godwhospeaks.uk)

**Seating Arrangements:** Please respect our stewards and volunteers who will continue to guide people to their seats. While we might attempt to provide some social distancing, the growing numbers at weekend Masses will not make this possible all the time.

**Face coverings remain for all.**

**Easter Offerings:** **Thank you** for your Easter offerings, cards and gifts.

**Please don't leave your belongings unattended at any time.**

**THIS CATHEDRAL LIVE STREAMS MASS**

**AND OTHER EVENTS** 

### **Holy Father's Prayer Intention for May:**

#### **For faith-filled young people**

We pray for all young people, called to live to 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.

### **Cathedral Prayers Lists**

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Laurence Crowe, Fr. Ted Simpson SCJ, Ned Redmond, Mary Pope, Angela Eke, Jonathan Burnip and victims of COVID, natural disaster and conflicts, especially in Ukraine.

**Those who are ill:** Jane Goodyear, Frances Crockett, Bobby (Bhupinder) Bansal, Ray Norris, Harpal, Baby George, Finn, Chris & Allison Saint, and our parishioners, family and friends who are sick.

**For those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Bishop Joseph Gray; Canon Bernard Hurrill; Frs.: Peter Cooney, Peter Heath, Thomas O'Connor, David Duggan, Michael Byrne, James Dutton, Donal O'Connor, Francis Carr, Walter Joret; Deacon James Fantham. Also: Kathleen Mulraney, Elizabeth Harvey, Catherine Meacham, Patrick Clancy, Sheila Scampton, Brendan Byrne, Kathleen Fields, John Hughes, Peter Grimley, Mick Green, Jarleth Cummins and Peter Monaghan.

**Second Collection** – next week is for the **Clergy Training Fund of the Archdiocese.**  
[www.vocations.org.uk](http://www.vocations.org.uk)

**Restoration of the Stations of the Cross:** It is hoped that donations will be secured to restore all 14 Stations. Each Station will cost approximately £4000 to be treated. If you are able to support this project, please contact Fr Tim at: [dean.stchadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:dean.stchadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk)

**New Ways of Giving and Supporting your Cathedral:** It couldn't be simpler. Just point your smartphone camera at the code below, wherever you are, and it will take you to a giving page.



### **Offertory collections – March 2022**

Week up to 6<sup>th</sup> March £1266.11

Week up to 13<sup>th</sup> March £ 995.77

Week up to 20<sup>th</sup> March £ 580.46

Week up to 27<sup>th</sup> March £ 417.98

**Thursday Live Organ Recitals** - A warm welcome to the next recital, on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 1.15pm. Cathedral Assistant Director of Music Nigel Morris plays works by Mendelssohn, Bridge, Vierne, Rogg, Umbreit and Zwart. Programme lasts 40 minutes. Admission is free with retiring collection.

**An Evening of Worship & Prayer at St Chad's Cathedral** with Sarah Kroger – 12<sup>th</sup> May 7pm - 8.30pm. No charge. For more information, please visit <https://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/evening-at-st-chads.html>

**Walsingham Pilgrimage 14<sup>th</sup> May 2022** – Pilgrimage to the national shrine of Our Lady. Cost will be £30 for the day's coach trip. If you would like to take part in this pilgrimage as a day trip to East Anglia, please send an email to: [stchadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stchadscathedral@rcaob.org.uk)  
We need to know numbers very soon. We will require payment before the day for your booking.

**Responding to Archbishop Bernard's vision for the Archdiocese - [Diocesan Vision, Unfolding God's Plan | Birmingham Diocesan Trust](#) ([birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://birminghamdiocese.org.uk)).**

**Diocesan Vision Prayer –**  
Spirit of God,  
descend on me this day.  
Grant me the Spirit of joy, to lift me,  
the Spirit of hope to inspire me,  
the Spirit of love to surround me and  
the Spirit of truth to enlighten my path.

Holy Spirit,  
I pray for a new outpouring of your grace,  
so that I may grow in worship of your name  
in love of you in my prayer  
and in my actions towards others.

Come Holy Spirit into my life to guide me.  
Strengthen and defend me,  
so that I may be drawn ever closer to you.  
Help me this day and always  
to be a channel of grace  
in all I say and do  
and invite others into relationship with you.  
Amen

**Eternal Wall of Answered Prayer** – This promises to be an important year for this project and you are asked to support it together with Christians around our country and beyond.  
How can you support it?

- 1) Financially – see website below
- 2) By Prayer
- 3) By sending in real answers to prayer that you have experienced in your life.

[www.thewall.org.uk](http://www.thewall.org.uk).

**Prayer of Spiritual Communion** – Now that Mass attendance has returned to something like normal, we shall cease saying the Prayer of Spiritual Communion at Mass each day. For those who join on the livestream, the prayers are given just below the Livestream Box and will be available for you to say during Holy Communion

**Summer Events at St Chad's Cathedral –**  
*Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 11.30am.* Pentecost Sunday Mass at which we shall also commemorate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee  
*Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon.* Solemn Mass and Consecration of the Altar in St Chad's Cathedral.  
*Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> June – Corpus Christi Masses & Procession*  
*Friday 24<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June – Flower Festival.*  
*Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July at 3pm – An Ecumenical Celebration* to mark the beginning of the Commonwealth Games in Birmingham and the Midlands

**The Time To Reflect Column** for Eastertide on our website is reflections from our new Catholics. Enjoy.

**Ned Redmond -RIP** – It is with great sadness we inform you that Ned passed away last week. Many of you will know Ned who regularly attended Mass here and would always sit on the back left pew. **Ned's funeral will take place on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am.**

**St Chad's Sanctuary** – our parish charity.  
Thank you for the generosity you have shown recently by bringing items for the Sanctuary and by donating financially to its work. Your thoughtfulness is very much appreciated, especially most by those you might never meet, but whose lives are changed for the better by our love of neighbour: [www.stchadssanctuary.com](http://www.stchadssanctuary.com).  
Donations for the Sanctuary can be given in here at the Cathedral at any time and will be passed on.  
Click on the Sanctuary button on our Cathedral website homepage to see the current needs.  
*I was a stranger and you made me welcome!*  
You can earn easy money for St Chad's Sanctuary, Birmingham by designating it as your chosen charity when you order anything at Smile Amazon. Thank you.

**The Synod Process & the Diocesan Vision** – The latest development in the Synod Process is the Synthesis that has been produced following a reading of all of the submissions from around the Archdiocese of Birmingham. This document can be found at: [www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk](http://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk) or on our Cathedral website.

**Quo Vadis Zoom Gatherings on Discernment for University Students** – Please see the posters in the Cathedral today and please take a copy if you are interested and would like to share this initiative with other students. [www.vocations.org.uk/quo-vadis](http://www.vocations.org.uk/quo-vadis).

**Vacancy - Director of Education Services, Archdiocese of Birmingham.**  
**Salary: Competitive to attract the best**  
The closing date for applications is Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 9:00am.  
Interviews: **w/c Monday 16th May 2022**  
Please send your completed application to [admin@satiseducation.co.uk](mailto:admin@satiseducation.co.uk) For Further Information: [www.joinarchdioceseofbirmingham.co.uk](http://www.joinarchdioceseofbirmingham.co.uk)

**The CCTV System operates 24 hours a day. This is in place for the safety of people, protection of property and crime prevention. Inquiries: 0121 230 6216 / 0121 230 6211**



Please switch off mobile phones when in Church.



**An Induction Loop System** is provided. Please switch your hearing aid to the 'T' position.



**The normal programme for Masses is:**

**Monday to Friday 12.15pm**

**Saturday 4.30pm (Vigil Mass of Sunday) – Confessions after Mass**

**Sunday 9.30am & 11.30am**

**The Cathedral will be open on weekdays from 11.00am and close at 2.00pm (Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available from 11.30am – 12noon.)**

**Confessions are now being heard once again in the Confessionals.**

*The Cathedral will be open half an hour before each weekend Mass and will close soon after the conclusion of Mass.*

**Holy Communion – Due to the prevailing risk, the norm for receiving Communion remains on the hand. For those who wish to receive Communion on the tongue, please come to the altar as the end of the congregational procession has received communion, as the Minister of Holy Communion will need to sanitise his/her hands after every person receiving on the tongue.**

The Bishops of England and Wales wish to make it clear that there remains no obligation for your attendance at Mass on Sunday. Therefore, you are most welcome at Mass on any day of the week.

Please come to Mass if you wish to and feel safe to.

**For the purposes of Safety for all concerned, the Cathedral directive is that everybody coming to Mass in the Cathedral wear a face covering which you bring yourself.** We accept that this is not required in all churches, but it remains our standard here and if you choose to come here, we respectfully ask you to abide by this standard.

If you do not have recognisable lanyard that says you are medically exempt, then please do not be offended if you are asked more than once to wear a face covering.

Our stewards and volunteers are simply doing what has been asked of them to keep this standard of safety in the Cathedral. Please be respectful of their role.

If you feel that what we are asking is unreasonable, then you are welcome to choose a church that is more in keeping with your own wishes. We ask that you do not seek to change what we have established here for good reason and which is reviewed regularly.

**Toilet facilities – the Cathedral toilets to the right of the Sanctuary are now available again.**

**PLEASE NOTE THERE IS NO OTHER ACCESS TO THE SACRISTY.**

**Holy Water will be available in the side vestibules or if you require some for home, please speak to a Steward.**

**It is important that people continue to observe social distancing in terms of not gathering in large groups either inside or outside the Cathedral.**

**Votive candle lighting is available**

**Mass Cards – During our opening hours the Stewards will assist with the signing of Mass cards in the Cathedral.**

**You are asked to cooperate fully with the staff and stewards in the Cathedral.**

The safety of those who come as well as the safety of our staff is our highest priority at all times.

**Please do not come to the Cathedral if you present any symptoms of the coronavirus or are living in a house with anybody who presents symptoms.**

For any enquiries about any of the above information, please contact:

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May God bless you.