

Praying for the unborn and women facing crisis pregnancies – 25th April 2021

“This Tuesday marks 53 years since the 1967 Abortion Act came into effect. As we hope and pray for an end to abortion, we pray especially for our Government, that their commitment to support pregnant women and their families would increase, and that they would anchor themselves in the desire to protect all human life. Lord hear us.”

Food Link, Colshaw Sadly, the need continues – could you help to donate food to those struggling? We are very grateful to receive the following food donations: dried pasta, pasta sauces, cereals, tea, coffee, sugar, and tinned foods (pies, soups, beans, fruit, veg, meat, fish, etc.). Please leave any donations at the back of church (when open) or please leave outside the presbytery door and then ring the bell.

Please Pray for Persecuted Christians in the Middle East

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25th April, 2021 – The Fourth Sunday of Easter
Mass Times & Intentions

Saturday 24th	6.30 pm	The Quinn Family
Sunday 25th	9.00 am	Dorothy Kirwan
	10.30 am	The Parishioners
Wednesday 28th	10.30 am	Edward Ellison
Thursday 29th	10.30 am	Allued Fredericks
Saturday 1st	6.30 pm	The Quinn Family
Sunday 2nd	9.00 am	The Parishioners
	10.30 am	In Thanksgiving

NB: Confession available after any Mass – please ask Father Anthony.

Church at one metre social distancing with compulsory face mask wearing – please see all rules & guidance overleaf.

APF-MILL HILL RED BOX RESULTS 2020

The Red Boxes from the Diocese of Shrewsbury raised a total of £100,141 for 2020 of which our parish raised £413.80. Bishop Mark would like to record his thanks to Father Tony Grace, Diocesan Director, to all our parish priests, local secretaries, promoters and the people of the Diocese for this generous support for the worldwide mission of the Church through these difficult and testing times.

The government's 'Stay at Home' message has now been replaced by the rule of six making it permissible to gather outdoors in groups of six or two households.

Please note that inside church you should not interact with anyone outside your household or support bubble. Please also ensure that you adhere to the strict social distancing & hygiene rules in place in church, as detailed below.

Rules & Guidance in church

- Church at one metre plus social distancing.
- Please wear a face mask (unless you are exempt).
- Please do not enter church if you are symptomatic.
- Please sign-in to church for the Track & Trace system or please scan the QR code with the NHS App.
- Please sanitise your hands on entering & leaving church.
- Visitors should not touch or physically venerate statues, relics, or the church stoop.
- Whilst in church, or the surrounding grounds, people should adhere to the social distancing rules at all times. People should only interact with members of their own household and once the Mass is ended, participants should move away promptly to minimise the risk of contact and the spread of infection.
- Single use Mass sheets & Parish newsletters are provided and should either be kept or disposed of immediately at the end of each Mass in the bins provided in the porch.
- Readers should apply sanitiser before reading from the pulpit.
- Please note toilet facility is closed in church at this time.
- Maximum safe capacity of church if all worshippers are from a different household: 47 (Max 2 per pew each separated by 1 metre). Maximum safe capacity of church if worshippers from the same household can sit together (Max 4 to a pew, 3 on the front pews): 79.
- Please follow the one-way system & guidance in church.

Extra Care at Holy Communion

- Holy Communion takes place at the very end of Mass.
- Please remain in your seat until you are invited to go forward by a steward.
- Receiving Holy Communion should take place in silence, i.e. the communicant should not say 'Amen.'
- Please unloop the face covering in order to receive Holy Communion & recover afterwards.
- The communicant is advised to place their hands stretched out flat.
- Following Holy Communion, please leave church promptly, not returning to your seat - those sitting on the left side pews/seats should leave by the left aisle/main front entrance door; those sitting on the right side pews/seats should leave by the right aisle/side entrance door.
- Please apply sanitiser on leaving the church.
- Worshippers should maintain social distancing with anyone outside of their group.

Baptisms We hope to arrange pending Baptisms from June onwards. Any plan will depend on the progress in the ending of lockdown.

First Holy Communicant

Please note that that at the 6.30 pm vigil Mass this weekend, Camila, one of our First Communicants, will be receiving her First Holy Communion. Please pray for her and her family as she prepares to receive her First Holy Communion.

Shrewsbury Youth Mission Team – The Living Room

We are re-introducing our programme for young adults with a new look but with the same friendship, fun and faith we have been enjoying since January. The Living Room is a space for young adults to gather, grow and journey together in faith and friendship.

We are inviting young adults (18+) to join us on the last Thursday of each month from 7pm. We'll have discussions, questions, time to chat and just be together. Most importantly there will be space to connect with God in the midst of our busy lives. If you fall into this age group, or know someone who does, please get in touch with us for details. The group currently meets virtually via Zoom but we hope that when circumstances allow, we will be able to meet in person! The dates are 29th April, 27th May, 24th June, 29th July and 26th August (you don't have to commit to all the dates, come for one or come for all!) Email youth@dioceseofshrewsbury.org for further details.

The Logos & Literature: Elaborating the Divine

A series of online evening talks exploring some of the great themes of Catholic Christianity in writing old and new, with Catholic scholars and contemporary authors. Every second Thursday at 7:30pm from 29th April.

For info and registration: <https://christianheritagecentre.com/events/logos-and-literature/>

Cancellation of our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage 2021

From Father David Long, the Director of our Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage:

"It is with a really heavy heart that I have to announce that, following discussions with the Bishop, our travel agent and our Pilgrimage Management Team, it has been decided that once again it will be impossible to have a Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes this year. We had all hoped that it would have been possible to go ahead with a small pilgrimage albeit without any assisted pilgrims or youth section. However, in the light of the Government's latest regulations with regard to international travel, that would require testing for Covid before and after the Pilgrimage (at a minimum cost of £100 per person) and the likelihood of the need to quarantine after the pilgrimage (possibly in a hotel at a cost of £1800) it was felt we had no alternative but to cancel the Pilgrimage. Once again, we plan to hold a Virtual Pilgrimage and members of the Management Team will be working on this in the weeks ahead. Once the plans are finalised, we will let you have all the information you need to participate in the Virtual Pilgrimage. These are indeed very difficult times for us all and I think we all experience a deep sense of loss at not being able to go on Pilgrimage in what would have been our 70th Year. We pray that Our Lady of Lourdes and St Bernadette will intercede for an end to the pandemic and we keep in our prayers all those who have suffered illness or loss as a result of the virus."