



**OUR LADY AND ST MICHAEL
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

This Parish is Served by The Spiritans
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The Spiritans

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3rd Sunday of Easter

Weekday: Week 3 of Easter (Year B/II)

14th – 21st April 2024

PARISH TEAM

PARISH CLERGY:

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Donate to our Parish:



Parish Administrator:

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WORKING HOURS

Mon and Wed: 9.00am – 2.00pm

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SAFEGUARDING Reps:

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Please add your appropriate reference (Mass intention, etc), to help our bookkeeper.

CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN FOR WATFORD, HEMEL HEMPSTEAD, ST. ALBANS HOSPITALS:

01923 217994 Email: westherts.spiritualcare@nhs.net

CONFESSIONS: Every Saturday 5:15pm-5:45pm or by appointment

PARISHIONER REGISTRATION: Welcome new Parishioners. Please contact parish office to receive a welcome pack and register with the parish.

FUNERALS: Catholic Church does allow for both burial and cremation, but does NOT permit scattering of the ashes, they must be buried or interred. Please speak to parish clergy to arrange this.

Happy Easter, welcome back to our returning travellers and safe journey to all those who are yet to travel!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

✠ **Second collection next weekend will be for Priest Training Fund**

✠ **IS GOD CALLING YOU TO PRIESTHOOD?** Regardless of whether you just at the early stages of wondering or feel the call strongly, please come and see the vocations team to find out more at **COME AND SEE EVENT** in Potters Bar on *Saturday 20th April at 10.00am*. Is God calling you to priesthood? There will be another similar event on 1st June in Harpenden. Anyone interested in the Permanent Diaconate is also welcome, to meet the Diaconate team.

✠ **BINGO NIGHT:** Saturday 20 April 2024 at 7pm. Please see leaflets for details and booking information.

✠ **ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY** *Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25th May 2024 at 2:30pm*. Mass is for all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give parish office the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

✠ **JOB:** The post of **Catholic chaplain for West Herts NHS Hospital Trust** is now being advertised. If you wish to apply please follow the link below: <https://findajob.dwp.gov.uk/details/14158316>

✠ **Good Shepherd Company visit: this weekend 13-14/4/2024:** They are Good Shepherd Company from the Holy land (Bethlehem) which is based in Nottingham. Their goal is to support and help the Christian families in the Holy Land to stay at work as olive wood carvers as this is one of the most important source of income for those families. 90% of the Christians rely on these sales. Selling their produce here on their behalf prevents the Christians from leaving the country in search of better work opportunities. As attested by survey from the bishops of Jerusalem there are only forty one thousands Christians left in the area.

GENERAL PARISH NOTICES

✠ **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** for 2024/2025 tax year are ready to collect from the Sacristy.

✠ **The funeral of T/L Peter Ingram** will take place on Monday 15th April 2024 at 11:30am and St Saviour's Church, Abbots Langley, followed by committal at West Herts Crematorium. For many years Peter attended Our Lady and St Michael's church before moving to Abbots Langley. Please keep Peter and his family in your prayers at this time of loss.

✠ **PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:** *Michael Holdaway, Malcolm Jones, Denis Cremin, Joe Kulhanti, Sarah Knott, Fr Peter Maher* and their families at this time of loss.

✚ **SICK AND HOUSEBOUND:** Pray for *Miss Clancy, Nicola Roche, Maureen Duggan, Maureen Anderson, Ivy Alvarez...* **Full list is available on the parish website.** Pray also for their carers. Please inform Parish office if parishioner is sick or housebound and needs Holy Communion, the Sacrament of the sick, Confession or a visit.

✚ **Last week's collection:** Loose: £488.97 Envelopes: £142; Contactless donations: March: £586.00 (Published Monthly). Thank you.

✚ **CHURCH CLEANING: this week: Team 3 on Thursday at 7:30am.** Thank you to those who cleaned the church last week!

✚ **100 CLUB PRIVATE PARISH LOTTERY:** February numbers: 36, 60, 39, 75 and 74. March Numbers: 24, 43, 41, 9 and 38. Please email parish office with your bank details to claim your winnings.

SACRAMENTS and CATECHETICAL PROGRAMMES

✚ **BAPTISMS:** The next baptism course for parents wishing to have their child baptised will be **on 20 April 2024 at 9.30am.** Please register online.

✚ **FHC:** 6th Parent session: 30/4/2024 in Church. 6th Children session: 4/5/2024 in Parish Centre. Children will lead the 12noon Mass on 5/5/2024.

✚ **CONFIRMATION:** next meeting: Thursday 18/4/2024 at 7pm in the parish centre.

✚ **RCIA:** Group 1 – weekly. Group 2 – as per WhatsApp group

BAPTISMS – upcoming

20/04/2024	Cruz Albert Moorhead
11/05/2024	Ezra Thomas Fox-Johnson



UPCOMING PARISH / SOCIAL EVENTS

20 April 2024	7pm	Centre	Bingo Night
26 April 2024	TBC	School	70th Anniversary Event – Our Schools
19 May 2024	TBC	Centre	Pentecost & The Big Breakfast

PARISH GROUPS:

	Group	When	Where
Monday	<i>Parish Committees</i>	various	Meeting Room
Tuesday	<i>Spiritan Friends</i>	7pm 1 st Tuesday (monthly)	Presbytery
	<i>SVP</i>	7:15pm 2 nd Tuesday (monthly)	Meeting room
	<i>Serra Club</i>	7:30pm 2 nd Tuesday (monthly)	Church and Centre
Wednesday			
Thursday			
Friday	<i>Adoration</i>	8:30am – 9:30am - 1 st Friday (monthly)	Church
	<i>Sunshine Club</i>	2pm-4pm - 1 st Friday (monthly)	Centre
	<i>PLW - adult</i>	7pm – 9pm (26/1/24 – 17/5/24)	Centre side room
	<i>Charismatic Prayer Group</i>	7:30pm – fortnightly Next: 26/4/2024	Church
Saturday	<i>Gardening</i>	10am-12pm 4th Saturday (monthly)	Parish grounds
Sunday	<i>Warm Welcome</i>	2pm-4pm – 4th Sunday	Centre

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS FOR Week 3 of Easter, YEAR B/II

Sunday 14th April – Sunday 21st April 2024, Ps Wk 3

SANCTUARY LAMPS: Margaret and Terry Gidman RIP

13/4 SATURDAY	6pm 3rd Sunday of Easter VIGIL	Patricia Nelson RIP
14/4 SUNDAY Mass book pages: 262 - 267 Ps. Week 3	8:30am Mass 3rd Sunday of Easter 10am Mass Tea and coffee in parish after mass 12noon Mass	*Maisie Kershaw RIP *George Lenny Bedier *parish
15/4 MONDAY	9:30am Easter Feria Mass	Sick and housebound
16/4 TUESDAY	9:30am Easter Feria Mass	parish
17/4 WEDNESDAY	6:30pm Adoration 7pm Easter Feria Mass	
18/4 THURSDAY	NO MASS	
19/4 FRIDAY	9:30am St Alphege, Bishop and Martyr	
20/4 SATURDAY	6pm 4th Sunday of Easter VIGIL	Miroslav Mazal Birthday thanksgiving
21/4 SUNDAY Acts 9:26-31 Psalm 117 1 John 3:1-2 John 10:11-18 Ps. Week 4	8:30am Mass 4th Sunday of Easter – Good Shepherd Sunday 10am Mass Tea and coffee in parish after mass 12noon Mass	*parish clergy *Parish *Gabriel Adewunmi birthday thanksgiving

MASS INTENTIONS

To offer a Mass Intention you can email the office/give a note to parish clergy/post a note through the presbytery letterbox. Please include intention details (name and RIP/anniversary/private intention).



WEEKLY PRAYERS:

✠ **MORNING PRAYER:** Monday, Tuesday, Friday 9.00am

✠ **ADORATION/BENEDICTION:** Wednesdays 6.30-7.00pm

UPCOMING SECOND COLLECTIONS

WEEKEND	CAUSE
12 May 2024	Catholic Communications Network
16 June 2024	Day for Life
30 June 2024	Peter's Pence