

MASS TIMES	Ss Peter & Paul	Holy Cross	Intention	
Saturday 2nd May St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church		12noon	Kay nee O'Mara RIP	
<b>Sunday 3rd May</b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	8.30am 11am		Di, Mick & Sid Heath  Pro Populo	
Monday 4th May the English Martyrs		7pm	Isaac-God to give me grace of detachment	
Tuesday 5th May Easter Feria		8am  10am St Joseph's School SCHOOL MASS	Barry, Bateman, Murray O'Donaghue family & friends	
Wednesday 6th May Easter Feria		NO PUBLIC MASS	NO PUBLIC MASS	
Thursday 7th May		7pm	for Ocean & Ember (Rosary Group)	
Friday 8th May Easter Feria		10am  3pm	EMA Keynes  Divine Mercy Rosary	
Saturday 9th May		12noon	George Reid MBE	
<b>Sunday 10th May</b> <b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	8.30am 11am		Pauline Chadwick RIP  Pro Populo	
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## HOLY CROSS and SS PETER & PAUL, LICHFIELD

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

## 3rd May 2026: May is the Month of Mary



#### Prayer for England

O Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God and our most gentle Queen and Mother, look down in mercy upon England, thy Dowry and upon us all who greatly hope and trust in thee. By thee it was that Jesus, our Saviour and our hope, was given unto the world and He has given thee to us that we might hope still more. Plead for us thy children, whom thou didst receive and accept at the foot of the cross, O sorrowful Mother. Intercede for our separated brethren, that with us in the one true fold, they may be united to the Chief Shepherd, the Vicar of thy Son. Pray for us all, dear Mother, that by faith, fruitful in good works we may all deserve to see and praise God, together with thee in our heavenly home. Amen.

SAFEGUARDING: our Parish Website has a dedicated page which provides links to Safeguarding. Our Parish Safeguarding lead is Stephen Wordsworth who can be contacted at [sg.holycross.lichfield@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.holycross.lichfield@rcaob.org.uk)

## Prayers & Resources

www.universalis.com has the **mass readings for the day**. It also has all the Offices from Matins to Compline.

## PLEASE REMEMBER TO PRAY FOR THE SICK

Jonathan Dick, David Clough, Tamara Murtagh, Ellen Russell, Patrick Glendon, David Greatrex, Anna Nicholls, Terry Hazell, Carlos Wright, Matthew McCleod, Barbara Cleaver, Sulamith Corbett, Tony Corbett, Jayne Wright, Jean Christie, David Finnemore Wain, Christine Ratcliffe, Eileen Walmsley, Liz Graham, Philip Flahive, Mike Kilgallen, Jean Watson, Maria Huong Huynh, Rohan Jenkins, Oscar Wordsworth, Mary Rowe, Eddie Ryan, Angela White, Terry&Gussie Finn, Hazel Kenny, Mavis Thompson, Rebekah Birch, Sue James, Father John Hancock, Peter Keane, Daphne Keane and all those known only to you.  
Hear us, O Lord, from heaven thy dwelling place and have mercy on us.

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**To receive the Newsletter by email please contact the Parish Office:**  
[holycross.lichfield@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:holycross.lichfield@rcaob.org.uk)

**Coffee in the Community Room**  
Every Friday 10.30am-Midday  
In the Community Room @  
Holy Cross  
ALL WELCOME

**EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT:** Saturdays before Mass in Holy Cross from 11.15am

**CONFESSIONS:** Saturday from 11.15am Holy Cross & before any Mass & at any time by arrangement

**HOLY CROSS:** as far as possible the church is open for private prayer and meditation from 8 am until 6 pm

**SECOND COLLECTION:** for Poor Parishes Fund

**PRISON PRAYER:** Monday 4th May 7.30pm in the Community Room at Holy Cross

**NEW ORGAN KEYBOARD:** as you were aware the main Organ at Ss Peter&Paul Church had been beyond repair since 2024. Thank you to all of the Parishioners who donated their pre used keyboards as a stop gap BUT some good news for the Parish... we have now purchased a new Organ keyboard. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost(£2650) please do so by using the Contactless Giving points and select 'ORGAN' or put cash/cheques into an envelope marked the same. Cheques should be payable to 'RCAOB Holy Cross Lichfield'. Any donations would be greatly appreciated

**WEEKDAY MASSES-THIS WEEK ONLY:** Monday-Mass in the evening -despite it being a Bank Holiday Oscott is still working and Fr Anthony is teaching. Tuesday-early Mass as we have a meeting in the outer wilderness of South East Staffs, though Mngr Wilcox will be holding a Mass at 10am on Tuesday at St Joseph's School(SCHOOL MASS). Wednesday is the day of the Requiem for Professor Judith Champ who was a major figure at Oscott. May she Rest in Peace.

**GIFT AID FORMS:** at Masses over the past weeks we have been handing out Gift Aid Forms. Please can I ask that once you have completed these they are brought into the Office at Holy Cross for the attention of myself or Christine Parker. If the Office is closed there is a post box on the right of the Office gate. If you are increasing your Gift Aid Donation please make sure that you do so with your Bank also as it is the Bank that sends the funds from your Account into ours. Though you put your Bank details on the reverse of the Gift Aid form this is purely for our and the HMRC records. Thank you for all of your kind donations and for taking the time to complete this form that greatly helps your Church

**NOTICE OF DEATH:** we have been advised of the sad news of the death of our Parishioner Anthony(Tony) Dunne 25th April. He was known to many of us and will be sadly missed. Our thoughts and Prayers go out to his Wife(Ellen) and to his Daughters Clair and Marina. Please Pray for the Repose of his Soul. I will update with Funeral details in due course. Thank you

**GIFT AID:** for any Parishioner that makes an Offering to the Church on a regular basis please let us know if you are eligible to Gift Aid your donation, by doing so we will be able to claim for the full amount of your kind Offering. Also if there are any Parishioners that wish to start making a regular Offering please get in touch [ga.holycross@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:ga.holycross@rcaob.org.uk)