



**The Parish of
OUR LADY QUEEN OF PEACE
CHESTERFIELD and DRONFIELD**

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**FOURTH SUNDAY IN EASTER: YEAR B
21st APRIL 2024:**

THREE WAYS TO INCREASE THE FLOCK

There are three things we can do to help increase the size of Christ's one flock,
to help other lost sheep come under the care of the one good shepherd.

They are the three Ws.

First, the **WAY** we treat other people.

We are sons and daughters of Christ the King.

And so, our manner, our way of holding ourselves, should be full of dignity, generosity,
openness, elegance, and joy.

If we let God's grace work in our hearts, it will shine through our eyes, our words, our gestures,
and we will become living advertisements for our eternal Good Shepherd.

Second, our **WORK**

Whatever we do - job, study, hobby, housework, sports - we, as followers of Christ, should stand
out for our responsibility, dependability, and commitment to excellence and integrity.

We are children of God!

We are ambassadors of the Creator of the universe!

How could we ever let sloppiness, laziness, and indifference contaminate our daily activities?

Third, our **WORDS:**

Like Peter in today's First Reading, we should always be ready to use our words to spread truth,
hope, and encouragement, to light or feed the fire of faith in the hearts of those around us.

As Catholics, there is no room in our lives for gossip, useless tale-bearing,
or biting and wounding criticism.

In the Eucharist, we receive Jesus Christ himself in our mouths; what a tragic, painful irony it
would be if that same mouth were to go out and spit poison at those around us!

We are graced to be members of Christ's one flock, his Catholic Church.

As Jesus renews his commitment to us in this holy Mass, let's thank him for that grace, and let's
promise that this week we'll try not to hog it all to ourselves.

NEW LECTIONARY AND PEOPLES MISSALS ADVENT 2024

In 2011 we were finally given the New Missal for Mass in English. The Bishops Conference of England and Wales and Scotland now have the New Revised Lectionary of Readings approved by the Vatican and it will be released in October of this year in preparation for use at the beginning of Advent. All previous Missals will be redundant as all the scriptures have been revised according to the ESV of the Bible.

Please see the website for further details and pre-orders can be made after Easter.

RACE NIGHT

This Friday 26th April, 7:15 – 10:15pm at Annunciation Parish Centre St Mary's school will be holding a race evening to support young people going on the Lourdes Pilgrimage. This even is a Ticket only event (includes a slice of pizza and a drink); £5 for adults, £2 for under 18s (must be accompanied by a responsible adult).

Bring your own drinks and plenty of cash to bet on the races!

For tickets, please email amarshall@stmaryschesterfield.org.uk with your name and the number of tickets you require.

PARISH SOCIAL

On Saturday 27th April 7.00 – 10.30pm at Annunciation Parish Centre the Parish council will be holding a parish social event. There will be a chance to share your talent at an "open mic" (music, song, poetry, dance). Shared supper. Please email the parish council with your request for a "spot" and say how many adults/children will be coming with you.

Or just let us know that you are coming to enjoy the evening! £2 adult, £5 family.

More details from Liz olqpcouncil@gmail.com

PARISH CENTRE BOOKINGS

Our newly refurbished Parish Centre is available for bookings – parties, meetings, conferences with use of kitchen, Wi-Fi, screens and projectors, and sound system.

Should you wish to book the Parish Centre for an occasion please contact Vincent Payne on 07742509514

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Boxes of envelopes for 2024/25 are now available at the back of Church. Please collect your own box and for Annunciation only please check that your address details are correct. If not, then please record the amended details on the sheet provided. *Please remember to put the box number as well as your name and address.* For cost saving purposes, a small number of envelopes in the range 100-150 have been renumbered and amendments made to our Gift Aid records where appropriate.

If you use the envelope scheme then you do not commit to giving a set amount each week. If you pay tax and have not completed a Gift Aid form then these are also available from the contact below. It costs nothing, only one simple form needs completing which covers all future years, and the Parish gains an extra 25p for every £1 that you give under the envelope scheme or by bank standing order payments. Gift Aid monies are a very important source of funds for us providing income of £29000 in 2023/24.

Yellow envelopes will also be available at the back of our Churches.

These can be used for BOTH gift aid and non-gift aid offerings – you only need to sign your name on the envelope if you wish it to be gift aided.

For missing/new boxes or other queries, please contact:

Peter Sharp (01246 569417) or pete@pasharp.co.uk for Annunciation

CHILDRENS LITURGY

Children's Liturgy will begin again in the Parish Centre during 10 am Mass for all primary school children (and younger with an adult) every Sunday from 21st April until 14th July (except 26th May). Just follow the Catechist as we process out from Church and know where to return to your family at the Offertory. More details on OLQP website or Liz Stead at olqpcouncil@gmail.com

PRAYER FOR WORLD PEACE

There will be a rosary service of prayer for world peace at 7pm each Monday in May starting on 6th May and continuing on 13th, 20th, and 27th May. Each decade will be prayed in a different language. If you would like to take part by leading a single decade in a different language, please sign up on the sheets at the back of church. Thank you.

WARM SPACES AND LIFE LUNCHES

Warm spaces and Life Lunches at The Church of the Holy Spirit, Dronfield every Tuesday. Tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits served from 10.30am - 2.00pm. Homemade fresh soups served from 12.00noon - 1.30pm.

FRANK AND JOAN BERRY

We congratulate Frank and Joan Berry on 55 years of happily married wedded bliss as of this coming Friday 26th April. Well done!

JUMBLE SALE

The next Jumble Sale will take place on Saturday 4th of May.

Can we please ask that donations are brought into the hall on Friday 3rd May only and not before as unfortunately there is no-one available at the moment to pick up any donations you may have.

HALL TOILETS

Over the past couple of weeks, the church toilets have been found to be in a terrible state following use at the weekend.

Please make sure that you leave these toilets as you would like to find them.

Children under the age of 10 must be accompanied.

If this continues the toilets will be out of use.

CHESTERFIELD YOUTH

The next meeting is on 5th May at 3.00pm. The theme of the meeting is, '*Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us*'. It is at St Joseph's Convent, 42 Newbold Road, S41 7 PL Chesterfield.

Ages:11-16 are invited. FAITH, FOOD AND FUN. For more information please contact: chesterfieldyouth@hallam-diocese.com

CHESTERFIELD 50+ INSPIRED GROUP: OPEN MEETING

The Chesterfield 50+ *Inspired* group will be having an open meeting on Thursday 9th May from 10.15am – 12.30pm at Chesterfield Library. This month speakers include Paul Newsham, expert and lecturer in forensics, and Richard Ward from DCC who will be speaking on flooding issues. Refreshments will be served and a raffle drawn also.

RETIRING COLLECTION

There will be a retiring collection following all Masses next weekend in aid of:

The Priests' Training Fund

We ask your generosity in supporting our seminarians through their discernment and training.

LITURGY TIMES AND INTENTIONS

<p>Monday 22nd April</p>	<p>12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p>Catherine Mary</p>
<p>Tuesday 23rd April St George, Martyr</p>	<p>9.30am Holy Spirit 12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p>Members of the Yorkshire Brethren John Phynn</p>
<p>Wednesday 24th April</p>	<p>7.30am Chesterfield Royal 12.00noon Annunciation <i>6.00pm – finish Annunciation</i></p>	<p>Private Intention Thanksgiving: Layla Francis Marie <i>Confessions</i></p>
<p>Thursday 25th April St Mark, Evangelist</p>	<p>12.00am Annunciation</p>	<p>Kate Ross</p>
<p>Friday 26th April</p>	<p>10.30am Annunciation 12.00noon Annunciation</p>	<p>Requiem Mass Angela Walker Marina Kerr</p>
<p>Saturday 27th April Vigil Mass</p>	<p>11.00am Convent <i>4.30pm Holy Spirit</i> 5.00pm Holy Spirit</p>	<p>Private Intention <i>Rosary and Confessions</i> The People of the Parish</p>
<p>Sunday 28th April FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: YEAR B</p>	<p>8.30am Annunciation 10.00am Annunciation 3.00pm Annunciation 4.00pm Holy Spirit 5.00pm Annunciation</p>	<p>Fr Anthony Haynes Lily Cormican Polish Mass Syro Malabar Mass Trovaglione and Dionisio family</p>