

St. Edmund Arrowsmith

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year C)

10 APRIL 2016



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!

REFLECTION

The story of Jesus' appearance by the Sea of Galilee after the resurrection is one of the great dramatic stories in the New Testament. Most of the disciples had returned to Galilee and were just sitting around until Peter suggested that they go fishing. The implication is that the disciples were likely to resume their life as fishermen in Galilee and were low in spirits. The atmosphere of discouragement was only heightened by their inability to catch any fish. A strange man shouts to them from the shore and tells them where to cast their nets and catch the fish. Immediately the nets are full of their catch. When the disciples reach shore they realize that it is Jesus and he feeds them. He has fish already on the fire, so presumably he had already been fishing himself. He invites them to bring their catch too so that they can share food together.

On the shore of the Sea of Galilee they once more find themselves called to follow him. Peter is asked to reaffirm his love for Jesus three times – making up for the three denials we hear in the Passion Reading during Holy Week. What Jesus always did with his disciples he does again – he gives life and hope in abundance. Over this intimate meal of bread and fish by the lakeside they are jolted into a new reality as lifelong missionaries for Christ. Galilee is the place where it all began. And it is here that their lives as disciples begins again as they encounter the Risen Lord.

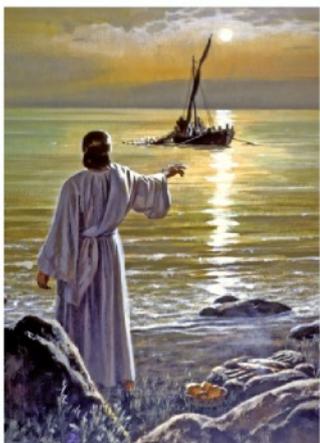
Being followers of Jesus can give our lives meaning and direction. We are often busy but without a strong sense of purpose and meaning. Yet it is exciting, as it was for the disciples, for us to recognize that Jesus is here, living and ready to engage with us as we journey through life. The Gospel story also reminds us that an encounter with Jesus can lead us to take unexpected paths. To see with the eyes of faith Jesus calls us to let go of our private and very limited vision. The mission for us, as Jesus' disciples today, involves recognizing our connection in love with the natural world that God has created and given to us. Pope Francis has called upon all human society to respond to the cry of those who are poor. In today's Second Reading it is not just humanity that praises God, but all living things in creation. As we offer God the "fruit of the earth" in the Eucharist, we are called to respond to the world's poor people, who are struggling to survive amidst the diminishing abundance of the natural world and the ravages caused by climate change.

We also reflect that all followers of Jesus are called to be people of hope. Amidst the disappointments in everyday life or the violence in today's world or amongst the human abuse of God's creation, we are to look for the signs of hope and retain a positive vision. Even when we feel unworthy and powerless, God is with us and blesses us with his love.

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Twelve Apostles,
and
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NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS ST JOSEPH'S

MASSES

Raymond Buck, Edmund, Teresa & Maurice Hurst, Patricia Kearns, Alf Keavney, Tom & Betty Kennedy, May Malley, Marlene O'Neill, Kevin Quinn, Anne Russell, Tony Shovelton, Joyce & Bernard Worden, Special Intention

MOTHERS' PRAYERS

Mothers Prayers will be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 12th April. This months meeting will be held at Joni's house.

COFFEE MORNING

Coffee Morning is held in the Side Hall after 10.30am Mass every week. Everyone is welcome, come along and have a chat.

OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

EASTER RAFFLE

There are still unclaimed prizes left from our Easter Raffle. A list of prize winners is at the back of church

SACRED HEART

COFFEE MORNING

Tea and coffee will be served after Mass today. Everyone welcome.

WITH YOU ALWAYS SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME Session 7 'Mary: the first Disciple'

Wed 20 th April	Twelve Apostles School Hall	4.30pm
Thu 21 st April	Sacred Heart Church Hall	4.30pm



Pope Francis @Pontifex Apr 6

The Jubilee is a year-long celebration, in which every moment becomes a chance for us to grow in holiness.

Apr 5

The Lord asks us to be men and women who radiate the truth, beauty and the life-changing power of the Gospel.

Apr 4

Christian faith is a gift which we receive in Baptism and which allows us to encounter God.

Apr 3

Mercy: the bridge that connects God and man, opening our hearts to the hope of being loved forever despite our sinfulness.

Apr 2

To be merciful means to grow in a love which is courageous, generous and real.

Apr 1

Passing through the Holy Door, let us put our trust in God's grace, which can change our lives.

Mar 31

The phenomenon of migration raises a serious cultural issue which necessarily demands a response.

HELP NEEDED

Sr Megan is asking for a single bed for a young boy. If you are able to help please contact her on 01942 683554.

HOSPITAL ADMISSIONS

When Parishioners are admitted to Hospital, the Catholic Chaplains attached to the hospital are responsible for providing pastoral visits and sacramental care. However, NHS procedures mean the patient or their family must ask nursing staff that they want the Catholic Chaplain to be informed and wish to have their names put on the Chaplain's list for Holy Communion visits. If the patient or family want to celebrate the Sacrament of the Sick (anointing) or for any urgent needs, the nursing staff should be told to contact the 'Catholic Chaplain on call'. If you are in hospital and you want a visit by a Hospital Chaplain, you must ask the nursing staff. Please tell your family and friends about this.

ST PIO PRAYER GROUP

Meetings of the Saint Pio prayer group will continue throughout the summer on Tuesdays, 7.00pm at St Ambrose Barlow.

EASTER PRAYER

During Easter we are asked to pray for these intentions:
New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; the Church; Human Work

World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Sunday 17 April
St Joseph the Worker	Sunday 1 May
World Communications Day	Sunday 8 May
The Church especially at Pentecost	Sunday 15 May

CELEBRATE THE CHILD

Archdiocese of Liverpool, Safeguarding Department

St Pascal Baylon Primary School, Chelwood Avenue, Liverpool L16 2LN

Sunday 3rd July at 2.30pm

Celebrant Archbishop Malcolm McMahon OP

Activities to prepare for the Mass will begin at 1.00pm. Please bring a picnic to enjoy in the grounds after Mass.

For more information please contact the Safeguarding Office at LACE or 0151 522 1043 or safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk

'Let the little children come to me!'

RECREATE THE WORLD

Creator God,

Because of your abundant love
you chose to bring light and order into the formless void,
to create a world of unsurpassed beauty
and you saw that it was good.

We ask that you continue to recreate the world
with that same attentive love,
to bring light into today's ever increasing chaos and darkness
where we have failed to be stewards and carers of your
creation.

Replenish our hearts so that we too can renew the face of the
earth. Amen.

Kieran O'Brien/CAFOD

Thanks to the inspiring generosity of parishes, communities and schools across England and Wales, our Lent Appeal has raised over £3 million. Help us reach thousands more people with the life-saving gift of clean water. You still have a chance to double your impact this Easter.

The UK government has promised to give up to £3.5 million to CAFOD water projects, by matching donations £1 for £1.

We're almost at the limit, but there's still time to take advantage of this offer. www.cafod.org.uk

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH TOTAL £1,766.10

Thank you for your generosity and continuing support.

The retiring collection next weekend will be in support of the Priests' Training Fund.

SICK

Please remember in your prayers all who are sick at this time, especially Margaret Beckett, Carolyn Burke, Sr. Teresa Frost, Philip Harte, Shannon Mackay, Jack Parr, Claire Slater, Kevin O'Rourke.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Jason Thomas Liam Carney, Mary Gredecki, Terence Joseph McGuire, David Jason Solon
Eternal rest grant unto them.

ST JOSEPH'S SCHOOL

St Joseph's school are collecting Sainsbury's vouchers. Please would you post your vouchers in the collection box at the entrance to church. We use the vouchers in exchange for footballs/tennis balls etc. Thank you so much for your support.

QUIET DAYS AT THE CENACLE 2016

Why not treat yourself to have space to be? Why not come and enjoy some time to be quiet and pray? April 30th, May 28th, June 18th; Oct 29th; Nov 26th. Days begin at 10.00am with coffee and end at 4.00pm. Offering for the day is £10.00, bring your own lunch. No need to book, for further information contact Sr Winifred, Cenacle, Tithebarn Grove, Liverpool, L15 6TW. 0151 722 2271 emailwinniwcenacle@mail.com

EDUCARE E-LEARNING PACKAGE

The Liverpool Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office recommend to ALL parishioners (especially those who volunteer within the Parish), parents and schools that they should sign-up to this important training package. The purpose of the training is to raise awareness and understanding across all aspects of child and vulnerable adult activities. There are 7 modules - Child Protection, Child Protection in Education, Child Protection Refresher, Safeguarding Adults, Safeguarding Adults Refresher, Mental Capacity and Child Exploitation & Online Safety. The training is all online and can be undertaken on your own personal computer.

To download a brochure and see the courses available go to www.liverpoolcatholic.org.uk .

To access the training follow these steps:

1. Email safeguarding@rcaol.co.uk to register your interest.
2. Your email should contain your name, email address, the name of the parish and your role in the parish (if you don't have a specific role just state Other (parishioner)).
3. The Safeguarding Administrator will register your details with EduCare who will send you a Welcome letter telling you how to access the modules and asking you to set your password.
4. Once you are set up you can enter the system and complete the modules at your own pace. You can save and close at any time and resume whenever it is next convenient.

St Joseph's Players Present

The Late Edwina Black

A Thriller set in Victorian England
By William Dinner & William Moran
Directed by Pauline Nevil

Tuesday 12th April to Saturday 16th April
Curtain 7.30pm

Tickets Adults £8, 16 years & under £4
Available from Ratcliffe's Bike Shop, Bradshawgate or pay on the door.

The Three Towns Operatic Society

proudly present

Waltzes from Vienna

Music by Johann Strauss (father & son)

Tuesday 10th – Saturday 14th May 2016 7.30pm
St. Joseph's Hall, Chapel Street, Leigh. WN7 2PR
Tickets: £11 & £13 Concessions available
Contact 01942 883722

Set in glittering Vienna, Strauss refuses to recognise his son's musical talent. He becomes jealous of his son's success and ambition to succeed him as the Waltz King of Vienna.

The intriguing Countess Olga Baranskaya recognises his musical talent and schemes to help Johann fulfil his dream of becoming a great composer.

Humour, glamour, romance and a feast of Viennese music that set the whole world dancing, climaxed by the immortal "Blue Danube". For all fans of Andre Rieu this show is a 'must see'.

“Direct from Carnegie Hall, New York”

Classical Spain - an evening of live classical music featuring soloists Salva Contreras Gila on clarinet and Javier Navascues on cello at St Stephen's Church, Manchester Road, Astley. Bar opens at 7.00pm and concert commences at 7.30pm on Saturday 23rd April. Admission costs £10 (includes supper!)

Ticket details to follow, or pay on the door.

STRATFORD 2016

There are now only seven places left on the coach to go to Stratford on September 15th. There are no tickets left for the play. However, if you do wish to go please contact Fr. Paul and he will put you on the reserve list just in case some of the tickets become free.



MASS AND SERVICE TIMES THIS WEEK

12A = Twelve Apostles, StJ = Saint Joseph, SH = Sacred Heart, OL = Our Lady of the Rosary, StR = St Richard

Sat 9 April

12A 5.30pm FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY John Thompson LD

Sun 10 April

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

StJ 8.30am MASS James Parker (Anniversary)
SH 9.30am MASS Patrick A. O'Sullivan Jnr. (Anniversary)
StJ 10.30am MASS Margaret Featherston (Anniversary)
OL 11.00am MASS People of the Pastoral Area
StR 6.30pm MASS ON SUNDAY EVENING in our Pastoral Area

Mon 11 April

Memorial of Saint Stanislaus, Bishop and Martyr

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer
StJ 9.00am MASS Alf Keavney (RIP)

Tue 12 April

Weekday of Easter

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer
SH 12.00noon MASS Theresa Pilkington

Wed 13 April

Weekday of Easter

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer
OL NO MASS
12A 12.30pm FUNERAL MASS Jason Thomas Liam Carney
StJ NO MASS

Thu 14 April

Weekday of Easter

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer
StJ 9.00am MASS Teresa Anderson (RIP)
12A 12.00noon FUNERAL MASS Mary Gredecki
SH NO MASS

Fri 15 April

Weekday of Easter

StJ 8.30am Morning Prayer
SH 10.00am MASS Thanksgiving for a successful operation
StJ 12.00 noon FUNERAL MASS Terence Joseph McGuire
SH 12.30pm FUNERAL SERVICE David Joseph Solon

Sat 16 April

Weekday of Easter

StJ 11.00am Exposition & Reconciliation
StJ 12.00noon MASS Alice Wilkinson
12A 5.30pm FIRST MASS OF SUNDAY Brian Keaveny

Sun 17 April

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

StJ 8.30am MASS John Thomson R.I.P.
SH 9.30am MASS Mrs P. Alker R.I.P.
StJ 10.30am MASS Marlene O'Neill (Anniversary)
OL 11.00am MASS Terry Jones (Anniversary)
StR 6.30pm MASS ON SUNDAY EVENING in our Pastoral Area

Sacred Heart Lottery On 1st April the numbers drawn were 3, 14, 17. There were no winners of £416. Last week's estimated jackpot was £450.

Our Lady's 500 Club £10 No. 267 M Smith, £5 No. 477 J Evans, £3 S Wilkinson, £2 No. 444 Aimee

Bonus Ball No 15 N Flynn

There are still 2 numbers available on our Bonus Ball, if you are interested in joining, please see Margaret at the back of church.

ST. EDMUND ARROWSMITH PARISH OFFICE

The office for the administration of our parish is based in St. Joseph's presbytery, Mather Lane. Email stjosephs@live.com or telephone 01942 673517 weekdays 8.30 - 4.00pm and speak to the parish secretary. In case of pastoral emergency only at other times you may contact any available member of the pastoral area team, if necessary even Fr Paul Seddon or Fr Paul Grady who are based in St. Margaret Clitherow parish.

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