



LITURGY

First reading: Acts 4:32-35

Response to the Psalm: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Second reading: 1 John 5:1-6

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe. Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:19-31



Dear Parishioners

THE LORD IS RISEN INDEED

ALLELUIA, ALLELUIA.

What seems striking in the story of the apostle Thomas is not his desire to see the Risen Christ. In this he requests nothing more than what had already been granted to the other disciples. It is rather his refusal to countenance the testimony of his companions, to trust the greater experience of his colleagues. And yet there is something constructive in his frankness. Thomas was not a man who was lacking in courage or commitment to his Lord. He had demonstrated his total readiness to die with Jesus (John 11:16). But when he did not understand, he questioned. He questioned in order that he might understand and believe. And once he understood, his surrender to the truth was total: 'My Lord and my God'.

God Bless
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Rev. Deacon Peter Griffiths



2nd Sunday of Easter (Year B)

Week commencing Sunday 7th April 2024

Parish Safeguarding: Mrs. Helen Woodhouse

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Helen Woodhouse. She can be contacted at: sg.stmarys.studley@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concern

Masses

Sat 6 th April	5.00pm	2 nd Sunday of Easter	People of the Parish
Sun 7 th April	10.30am	2 nd Sunday of Easter	Hannah & Stan Williams RIP
Mon 8 th April		The Annunciation	
Tues 9 th April			
Wed 10 th April			Private Intention
Thurs 11 th April		St. Stanislaus (mem)	
Fri 12 th April			
Sat 13 th April	5.00pm	3 rd Sunday of Easter	People of the Parish
Sun 14 th April	10.30am	3 rd Sunday of Easter	Keith Cotterell RIP

Mass is celebrated privately daily except on Monday.

If you would like a mass offered for a particular intention, please email the parish or put a note through the door of the presbytery, *please do not place it in the collection bag*. Thank you.

Those Who Have Asked for Prayers:

Derek Sollis, Dolores Flynn, Fred Chadfield, Alan Clatworthy, Chanel Mullings, Clive Rickhards,, Jill Spurrell, Stan Phipps, Judith Baylis, Jackie Gannon, Mick Sollis, Tim Harrison.

Those who have recently died:

Mary Judith Smith (nee Hewitt), Wyn Varley, Raimondo Gemeli, Anthony Woodhouse, Barbara Woodhouse, Kathleen McLoughlin, Peter McGoldrick, Anthony Roache, Lionel Quigley, Keith John Francis Cotterell, Anna Rose McGoldrick, Mary Baker, Georgette Cowell, Anthony Mathew, John Knox and all those we have been asked to pray for.

INFORMATION

Sunday Coffee

Do please come and join us after Mass near the end of each month. **The date for the next coffee morning will be announced soon.** Please come and enjoy a coffee, cake and a chat.

Second Collection

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEK IS FOR THE HOLY PLACES

The weekly second collection will normally be for help towards the payment of the diocesan levy and the upkeep of the house and church buildings. Both the church and the house are Grade II listed so any work done has to be to a high standard as set by the requisite authority.

Missio

The 'Red Box' has been around for over 100 years. Whether you still have one at home, or remember having one growing up, we would love to hear from you as we plan for the future. Would you be happy to speak with us? If so, please complete a short form to show your interest and to find out more at: missio.org.uk/research or scan the QR code. If you cannot access the form online you can call 020 7821 9755. Thank you!

Please could you bring in your red boxes asap and leave them on the front bench of the church after Mass. Thank you.