

### From Sunday's Gospel



Luke 24:36 WEB

*As they said these things, Jesus himself stood among them, and said to them, "Peace be to you."*

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road to Emmaus and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread. They were still talking about this when Jesus himself suddenly appeared among them and said, "Peace be with you!" They were terrified: they thought they were seeing a ghost. "Why are you so frightened?" asked Jesus. "Why do you doubt? Look at my hands and feet; it is really me, in person. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost does not have flesh and bones as you can see that I have." Then he showed them his hands and his feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it. They stood there amazed, so he said to them, "Have you anything to eat?" Then they gave him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Taken from the Gospel of Sunday 18th April 2021. Luke 24:35-48 (Easter,3)



**St Augustine writes, "My dear young people, seek not that you may understand what to believe, but to believe that you may understand"**

Today's word is **Believe**. What were the

disciples struggling to believe? After seeing the risen Jesus, the disciples believed that he was alive – he still is! Believing in the resurrection adds something very special to our lives and this cannot be found anywhere else. Jesus invited the disciples to believe and he makes the same invitation to you and me. Jesus' resurrection – his rising in glory and victory over death – is the greatest event in history! Even though, like the disciples, we may sometimes have doubts, we can be assured that, when we do doubt, Jesus is still truly close to us and ready to help us to believe. As we journey through Easter, how can we, as a family, grow in our belief in Jesus? It might be something as simple as reading one of the Resurrection stories and allowing ourselves to be transformed by it.



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## **3rd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy)**

**April 18th 2021 (Mark's Gospel)**

**PLEASE NOTE THE CHURCH WILL BE OPEN FOR MASS ON TUESDAY & THURSDAYS 9.30AM AND SATURDAY 6.00PM (BOOKING NECESSARY FOR SATURDAY 6.00PM)**

**The intentions are as follows:**

Saturday:	<b>6.00pm</b>	The Holmes & Richards' Families
Sunday	9.00am	Jack Riley
		(live streamed without a congregation)
Monday:		People of the Parish
Tuesday:	<b>9.30am</b>	Geoffrey Marshall
Wednesday:		Martin Carroll
Thursday:	<b>9.30am</b>	James Burns
Friday		Larry Carrigan
Saturday:	<b>6.00pm</b>	Sr Patricia Henry
Sunday:	9.00am	People of the Parish
		(live streamed without a congregation)

### **Confessions by appointment**

**Contact Details:** Parish Priest: Fr Bernard Bickers Tel: 01457 872603

Permanent Deacon: Revd Peter Rudd Tel: 01457 876559

Safeguarding Officers: Mrs Tessa Spalding Tel: 01457 873515

Mrs Michelle Moore

### Church Opening Times



Thanks to the stewards and cleaners we were able to have congregations at each weekday Mass during the Octave of Easter. Now that the Octave is over we will, for the time being, revert to the church being open for a congregation to be present on **Tuesday & Thursday mornings at 9.30am and Saturday evening at 6.00pm. Please contact Susan on the Friday before the Saturday Vigil Mass to book a place on 01457 878055 or 07778856089—thank you.**

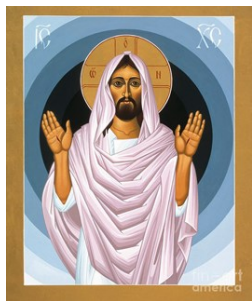
Mass will continue to be live streamed on a Sunday morning at 9.00am without a congregation.

As restrictions are lifted we will review the situation. Please watch this space.

### Stewards/Cleaners April 2021

Saturday 17th April 6.00pm: Ian Charnock & Celia Hall  
Tuesday 20th April 9.30am: Susan & Jan Gedzielewski  
Thursday 22nd April 9.30am: Emma Kirkman & Liz Taylor  
Saturday 24th April 6.00pm: Mary Farmer & Celia Hall.  
Tuesday 27th 9.30am: Michelle Mowinski & Liz Moores  
Thursday 29th 9.30am: Liz Taylor & Claire Ward  
Saturday May 1st 6.30pm: Ian Charnock & Mary Farmer

### ENCOUNTERING THE RISEN JESUS:



A series of 5 reflections taking place on Zoom on Mondays 7-8pm, beginning 12 April. Led by Fr Mark Jarmuz these will explore the varied responses to the resurrection of: the women who followed Jesus (12 April), Peter (19 April), the disciples (26 April), Emmaus (10 May) and the beloved disciple (17 May). For further details and Zoom invitation, please

contact [gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk](mailto:gregory.stacey@dioceseofleeds.org.uk).



Peace is this moment without judgement,  
This moment in the heart space where  
Everything that is, is welcome.  
Dorothy Hunt

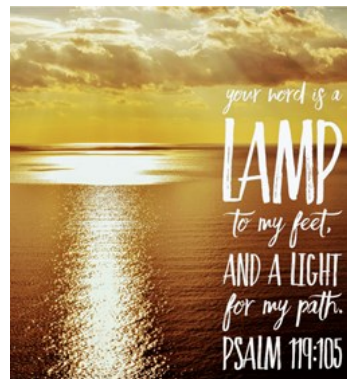
### Your Word is a Lamp for my Feet and a Light to my Path

#### A Day Retreat

Tuesday July 6th at Theodore House, Stoneyhurst  
Experiencing a morning of prayer, reflection and meditation on Scripture and an afternoon with prayer stations. Enjoy the peaceful surroundings and spend time in the chapel. Led by Mary Farmer.  
Cost £38.00 to include lunch and refreshments.  
(£20.00 deposit) May be less if more than 12 people attend.

For further details and/or to book contact Mary on 01457 810189 or 07518297954  
[mcikandmaryfarmer@btinternet.com](mailto:mcikandmaryfarmer@btinternet.com)

Optional Extra—travel down on Monday 5th to visit Whalley Abbey, lunch there.  
Evening Meal at the retreat centre plus bed and breakfast extra £57.00



Dementia affects each person in a different way, depending upon the impact of the disease and the person's personality before becoming ill. There is no treatment currently available to cure dementia or to alter its progressive course. Numerous new treatments are being investigated in various stages of clinical trials. However, much can be offered to support and improve the lives of people with dementia and their carers and families. The principal goals for dementia care are:

- Early diagnosis in order to promote early and optimal management
- Optimizing physical health, cognition, activity and well-being
- Identifying and treating accompanying physical illness
- Detecting and treating challenging behavioural and psychological symptoms
- Providing information and long-term support to carers.

Dementia can be overwhelming for the families of affected people and for their carers. Physical, emotional and financial pressures can cause great stress to families and carers, and support is required from the health, social, financial, legal systems, and faith communities.

***"Loving Father, you are close to the broken hearted. Look with compassion on those whose lost memories have robbed them of home and belonging. Comfort and strengthen those who care for them. May they make their home in You. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen"***