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DIVINE MERCY - SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) – 27 APRIL 2025

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
We know that God is merciful and love. We experience this in every sacrament. Jesus is a living experience. The Church celebrates this Sunday as Divine Mercy Sunday, the Feast of Mercy! The surprise announcement about this Feast day was made by St. Pope John Paul II, in his homily at the canonization of St. Faustina on 30 April 2000. Let us all receive the grace that comes from the passion, death wounds and resurrection of Jesus on this day.	Datchet	Sat 26	06.00pm	People of the Parish
	Eton	Sun 27	09.30am	Eithne Reynolds RIP
	Datchet	Sun 27	11.00am	Danny Boyle RIP
	Datchet	Mon 28	09.30am	Requiem Mass Pope Francis
	Datchet	Tue 29	09.30am	Walter Cooney RIP
	Eton	Wed 30	06.30pm	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Datchet	Thu 01	09.30am	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Fri 02	09.30am	Kathleen Martin Int.
ROSARY: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass.	CONFESSION: Any Weekday after the Mass / by appointment			
BENEDICTION: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			



POPE FRANCIS, the 266th Bishop of Rome and the first Pope from the Americas, passed away in the early hours of Easter Monday 21 April 2025, leaving behind a transformative legacy as a shepherd of mercy, dialogue and reform. His pontificate, which began in March 2013, was marked by a profound commitment to social justice, care for the marginalized, and a renewed focus on the pastoral mission of the Church. May the Lord whom he served so faithfully now welcome him into the fullness of His Kingdom.

REQUIEM MASS FOR POPE FRANCIS: We held a Requiem Mass for Pope Francis on the evening of Wednesday 23 April, in Our Lady of Sorrows, Eton. We will also hold a Mass in St. Augustine's, Datchet on Monday 28 April at 9.30am.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: This Sunday, the first after Easter is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. The Divine Mercy Prayer will be prayed after the Mass. Copies of the prayer will be available in the Churches.

ST. GEORGE, THE PATRON SAINT OF ENGLAND: This Feast is usually celebrated on 23 April. However, this year, as the date fell during Eastertide, it is transferred to Monday 28 April 2025.

COLLECTION TAKEN ON GOOD FRIDAY FOR THE HOLY PLACES OF PALESTINE: £227

EASTER OFFERINGS: I wish to offer my sincere thanks for the Easter Greetings and for your most generous Offerings on Easter Sunday. My thanks and prayers to you all. Fr. Shyju.

THANK YOU: With a sincere heart, I thank everyone for making this Easter such a prayerful occasion. My thanks go to the Altar Servers, Choir, Readers, Flower-arrangers, Sacristans and other Ministers in our Churches, who made our Easter such a wonderful and prayerful occasion for us all. Fr. Shyju.

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Janet Graham, Peter Keating, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Tricia Rice, Elaine Shaw, Roger Stewart and Linda Webb. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

EITHNE REYNOLDS RIP: Please pray for the repose of the soul of Eithne Reynolds who died on Sunday 20 April 2025. Please remember in your prayers Michael and all family members and friends.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY will be celebrated at 2.30pm on Sunday 27 April, at St. Anthony's Church, (Farnham Road, Slough SL2 3AE). The service will be led by Mgr. Sean Healy and include Procession, Holy Mass, Talk on "Living God's Mercy", Chaplet, Adoration and Veneration of the Image of Merciful Jesus. All are welcome to join in this celebration.

COACH FOR THE DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: Coaches are being organised for the Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 14 June. If you would like a place on a coach, please contact Natty Rodrigues on 07397149269. The cost will be £35 per person. The coach will pick-up passengers at Holy Redeemer, St Ethelbert's and Our Lady of Peace Churches.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY: In 1964, Pope Paul VI, launched Vocations Sunday, which we celebrate on the fourth Sunday of Easter, which is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. This year it will be held on Sunday 11 May 2025, the 62nd Anniversary of the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

JOB VACANCY AT HOLY REDEEMER PARISH, SLOUGH: There is a vacancy for a Parish Secretary to provide administrative support to the Parish of Holy Redeemer, Slough. The role is for 10 hours per week. Working pattern to be agreed with the successful candidate. Full information about the position and an application form can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs>. Candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org. The closing date for applications is Monday 12 May 2025.



PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

Boxes for donations can be found in each Church. The items on their Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding.

Always required: tea, long life sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat.

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED.

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8.

Always required: soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags.