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WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 15th April 2018

Sat	Vigil	6.30pm	Patrick and Eileen Fleming
Sun	3rd Sunday of Easter Year B	8.30am	Babies Stephen John & Anthony David
		10.30am	Ernest Sheerin (100th b'day ann.) & Frieda Smith nee Sheerin
		12.30pm	Baptisms Williams and Peterson families
Mon	Ferial	9.30am	Magdalen Donlan
Tues	Ferial	7.30pm	Holy Souls
Wed	Ferial	9.30am	Sheila Boner
Thur	Ferial	9.30am	Nora McLoughlin RIP
Fri	Ferial	12.15pm	Brown family intentions
<i>(Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays 11.00am to 12 noon and 5.45 to 6.15pm)</i>			
Sat	Ferial	10.00am	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASS (invitation only)
	Vigil Mass	6.30pm	Sarah & Tom McDonnell & Kathleen Hughes RIP anniversary
Sun	4th Sunday of Easter	8.30am	Ernest John Griffin RIP (birthday anniversary)
		10.30am	Ray Falsey RIP

Fr. Pat writes: " One of the highlights on the Spirituality Experience with sixteen other priests from our Diocese last week was the visit to Taizé in the Burgundy district of France. Taizé is a monastic community consisting of over 100 brothers from different Christian traditions worldwide, where there is a strong focus on community prayer and living. You may be familiar with the Taizé chants that lead to silence in our prayer. We had a beautiful experience of this during midday prayer, together with 800 young people. In his Pastoral Letter on Holy Communion last Sunday, Bishop Mark reminded us of the value of silence in the moments leading up to the reception of Holy Communion and during that precious time of thanksgiving and adoration afterwards. Over the next two weeks, close on 100 children from our Parish will celebrate the Reception of First Holy Communion. In recent decades there has been an over-emphasis on the cultural and social aspect of this celebration much to the neglect of the Spiritual. In this *Year of the Eucharist* it is timely for all us to rediscover the true meaning of **HOLY COMMUNION**. Let us rejoice with and pray for our children at this special time in their lives".

OUR MISSION TOGETHER. Over the next few weeks you will be invited to meet in small groups for a short presentation on Bishop Mark's vision and objectives for this fund raising campaign. Those attending will be provided with a pack to enable them to consider how they could support it. By attending a meeting you will gain an accurate picture on what the Campaign is about. Your decision will be respected.

COFFEE AFTER MASS this morning is run by the Keralesean communities. The next one will be on 6th May, and run by the Catenians. Many thanks to both groups.

CAFOD has been chosen by the government to receive matched funding, up to £5 million. Anything you give today will be doubled but this will be our last 'doubled' collection as the qualifying period ends soon.

SPUC: The March for Life takes place in London on 5th May. This year is the 50th anniversary of the Abortion Act being passed into law. See the poster and petition for details.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES. If you haven't collected your envelopes from the porch yet, please do so.

GOOD SHEPHERD APPEAL. Emma Dawson from Loreto school will be selling raffle tickets for this cause after the 8.30 Mass today.

ACTS DAY OF REFLECTION. Theme: Work and Love - the big things in our lives" on Sat 21 April 2018, 9.30-5pm at Wistaston Hall, Crewe CW2 8JS. If you are 18-35, please join us. Contact Siobhan Cartwright (siobhanbc@gmail.com/ tel: 0161 477 2783 or 07761138947) for details.

CELEBRATE NORTH WEST is a family conference which takes place on April 28-29 at All Hallows College, Macclesfield. It is a two-day event packed full of thought-provoking experiences that help to engage and encourage our faith by offering an all-age, faith-building experience. Please phone Chris and Martina on 01706 640 359, or email them at northwest@celebrateconference.org or go to www.celebrateconference.org/weekends/northwest.

CCRS: The next module of the Catholic Certificate of Religious Studies *The Person of Jesus*, begins on Saturday 21 April at Our Lady's, Ellesmere Port, CH65 8BY 9:30- 3:30 with the second on Saturday 19 May. You may start the course (8 modules) at the beginning of any module. A non-certificate option is also available. For forms and details see www.dioceseofshrewsbury.org/education/ccrs

The **MANCHESTER NEWMAN LECTURE 2018** will be held on Thursday 26 April, 6.30 for 7.00pm, at the Friends Meeting House, Mount Street, Manchester. Title: Conscience and the image of God - Revelations from accompanying refugees. Please inform Michael Crawley on 973 9333 or at mjcrawley@waitrose.com if you plan to attend. Further details on the meetings notice board in the porch.

COLLECTIONS. Thank you for your offerings on Easter Sunday, **£973.51** plus standing orders. This week's collection is for CAFOD - last one for government double funding.