# Mass times and intentions: $20^{th} - 27^{th}$ April 2025

20 EASTER SUNDAY - The Resurrection of the Lord Sunday 11.30 – The People of the Parish Monday 21 No Mass **Easter Tuesday Tuesday** 22 10.00 - Hazel van Buren RIP Wednesday 23 **Easter Wednesday** 10.00 – Juliet de Noranha – good health Thursday 24 **Easter Thursday** 10.00 - Complete recovery of Miria **Easter Friday** Friday 25 10.00 - John Omada RIP **Easter Saturday** Saturday 26 **10.00** – Julia Powell SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER – DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 18.00 – The People of the Parish 11.30 – Sebastian and Anna-Leash – Thanksgiving Sunday 27

> Tuesday to Saturday, after the Holy Mass, Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament & Holy Rosary

**Mass Intentions** / **Offerings:** Special envelops are available at the back of Church. If you would like Mass offered on a particular date or anniversary, please let the Parish Priest know well in advance – the sooner the better. Thank you for your co-operation.

Mass Attendance last weekend: 339

Offertory Collection last weekend: £ 956.29

Renovation fund: £ 65.00

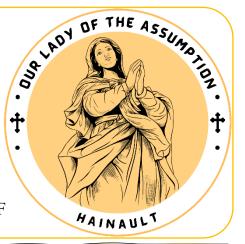
I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a joyous week and I look forward, very much, to getting to know you all and working with you for the good of our Parish.

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# EASTER SUNDAY - 20th April 2025

Parish Mass Book – Sunday Readings – pgs. 258-262

Hymn Book numbers for Sunday Mass

**684** – Tell out, my soul, the greatness of the Lord!

### **Responsorial Psalm:**

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice in it and be glad.

90 - Blest are you, Lord, God of all creation

322 – Jesus Christ is risen today, alleluia!

358 – Let there be love shared among us

728 – Thine be the glory, risen conquering Son

## Dear brothers and sisters,

We began our Lenten journey with Jesus in the desert. We did our best to pray for each and with each other as we travelled with him during those forty days. On Palm Sunday, we greeted him joyfully as we waved our palms and cried, 'Hosanna, Hosanna, blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.'

On Holy Thursday at the Passover Meal Jesus offered himself to us as The Bread and Cup of Life. He took the place of the slave, bent low and washed our feet and asked us to do the same to and with each other. We are to love and serve each other as he as shown us. On Good Friday, we stood with the crowd and watched as Jesus was betrayed, denied, beaten condemned and crucified. With Mary his mother, we saw him being buried. But we know that this is not the end of the story; our God is a God of surprises.

Today, this Easter morning Jesus is risen and is alive in a way that is more powerful than ever before! Having travelled with Jesus through Lent and stood by him as he endured his passion, we now stand at the empty tomb and share in the power, glory, joy and new life of his resurrection.

Our ways are not God's ways and God's thoughts are not our thoughts! Where we saw failure and evil triumph, God saw the faithfulness of Jesus and the values of the Kingdom reign supreme. Through the Life, Death and Resurrection of Jesus, God has shown and offered us a new way of living and confronting evil. We don't have to respond to violence with more violence; we don't have to answer hatred with more anger; there is another way: The Way of the Cross that leads to Resurrection. This is the way of the Gospel and the Kingdom of God.

When look at the television or read the newspapers, we can be forgiven for thinking that it is all bad news and that there is suffering everywhere. But we can change this; that's what the Passion and Resurrection of Jesus shows and teaches us; there is another way. In a world where there is darkness caused by violence and anger; we are called to be people of Light. Where there is often hopelessness and despair, we are challenged to be people of hope and faith. Where there is hatred and discrimination, we are asked to be people of love and compassion. Where some people seem to get stuck at Good Friday and the cross, we are called to be people of Easter and the Resurrection. Having shared in the suffering of Jesus, we now share in his New and Everlasting Life. If we bear in our body the death of Jesus, it is with hope that the life of Jesus too will also be seen in our body.

This Easter Season, which lasts until Pentecost Sunday, we are called not only to experience the Good News of the Resurrection, but we are also called to be people of the Good News in our ordinary lives.

#### Amen.

## New GiftAid Boxes

GiftAid boxes for the new financial year 2045/2025 are available at the back of the Church. If you have previously signed up to GiftAid and cannot find a box with your name on it please speak to any member of the finance team or email them on finance-hainault@brcdt.org.

If you are a tax payer and would like to sign up to *GiftAid* please fill in a *GiftAid* declaration form (available at the back of the Church) and return it to any member of the finance team / Fr. Tarciziu or email it. Thank you.

#### **Church Renovation Fund**

There will be a 2<sup>nd</sup> collection after each Sunday Mass to help with the renovation of our Church. Any donation would be most welcome.

Standing order details:	Online via QR Code:
Account Name:	<b>@</b>
Catholic Church Hainault The Assumption	
<b>Sort Code</b> : 40-13-22	
Account Number: 31019244	

#### Our Parish Pilgrimage to Walsingham - 24 May 2025

A few more places have become avaiable! Please join us.

To reserve your seat or for further information, please contact Joyce Barroba on 07738 333632.

# **Divine Mercy Sunday**

Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gifts of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."

Jesus' message to Sr. Faustina was: "I want the Image to be solemnly blessed on the first Sunday after Easter, and I want it to be venerated publicly so that every soul may know about it. My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy."

There are Divine Mercy leaflets available for you at the back of the Church - please take home with you.

St John Vianney Church (1 Stoneleigh Road, IG5 0HE), is holding an afternoon of Divine Mercy Devotion on 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025. Starting at 1pm and ending with Mass at 5pm, Bishop David Waller will give the homily. Refreshments will be available. All are welcome.