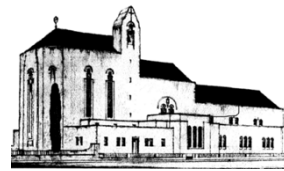


# THE PARISH CHURCH OF SAINT COLUMBA, ANFIELD



## 'MISSIONARY DISCIPLES: POINTING PEOPLE TO JESUS'

**Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

We extend a warm welcome to all who are joining us for worship today and especially to those who may be worshipping with us for the first time. St Columba's is an Anglican parish firmly rooted in the Catholic tradition. We strive to be Missionary Disciples who point others to Jesus Christ. Our worship is focussed on the presence and beauty of God - it is our prayer that you encounter Him here, today.

### **After Mass**

We hope that you will be able to stay for some refreshments and a chance to meet new friends.

### **We try to be a child-friendly Church.**

Please don't worry if your baby cries during the service, that's natural and it's what babies do. We run a Sunday School, 'Columba's Crew' on most Sundays, and your child is most welcome to participate. All our leaders are DBS checked. Should you wish to take your baby or a restless child out during the service, please feel free. At the back of church we have a selection of colouring/activity sheets and books for babies and small children.

### **About our Readings...**

Our Gospel today centres on the encounter of Thomas with Jesus, the Risen Lord. Thomas, the disciple who doubts, represents the reality of the Church that comes after this first community of disciples. All but the first disciples of Jesus must believe without seeing. Like Thomas, we may doubt the news that Jesus, who was crucified and buried, appeared to his disciples. It is part of our human nature to seek hard evidence that the Jesus who appeared to the disciples after his death is, indeed, the same Jesus who was crucified. Thomas is given the opportunity to be our representative who obtains this evidence. He gives witness to us that the Jesus who was raised is the same Jesus who had died. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, we are among those who are blessed for we have not seen and yet have believed.

# Who's who

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*Please inform one of the clergy at any time of those who require the Last Rites.*

*If you have a safeguarding concern and you wish to talk to somebody, please contact the Vicar or the Parish Safeguarding Officer.*

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### **Food Pantry – Columba’s Kitchen**

Setup: Thursday, 1.00 pm

### **Bible Study**

No bible study this week.

### **St Paul’s Chapel/outside Lady Chapel**

Please avoid these areas until further notice. Thank you.

### **Electoral Roll**

The roll is open today for additions/alterations. Please see Fr Daniel if you would like to go on the electoral roll.

### **Family Mass**

Next date: today at 4.00 pm

### **Thursday Mass**

Will be at the earlier time of 9.30 am due to a funeral taking place that morning.

### **Foodbank**

Since the opening of our pantry collecting for the Foodbank has more or less stopped. We need to try and get this going again in order to support those in emergencies. Donations can be made in the hall.

### **APCM**

The APCM will take place on 31<sup>st</sup> May after the Parish Mass. Please make every effort to attend.

### **Retiring Collection**

Thank you to those who contributed to the retiring collection last Sunday. Your generosity raised a wonderful £720.00 thank you very much indeed!

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### **Charity Boxes**

Are now due in for collection. If you collect for the Leprosy Mission or Children’s Society, could you please bring your box to church so that we can send the money to the charities. Thank you.

**Services & Activities****This week**

<b>Day</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<b>Other Services/Activities</b>
<b>Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>Easter II</b>	<b>Mass, 9.00 am</b> <b>Parish Mass, 10.30 am</b> <b>Family Mass, 4.00 pm</b>	Children's Confirmation Class, 4.30 pm.
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup> April <i>of Easter II</i>	Mass, 7.00 pm	
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup> April <i>of Easter II</i>	Mass, 10.00 am	Bible Study, 10.30 am
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup> April <i>of Easter II</i>	Mass, 9.30 am	Funeral Service of Margaret Norris, 11.00 am
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup> April <i>of Easter II</i>		Columba's Kitchen, 9.30 am
<b>Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>Easter III</b>	<b>Mass, 9.00 am</b> <b>Parish Mass, 10.30 am</b>	

**Please pray for:**

**The sick:** Ellie, Vicky Goldie, Linda Campbell, Margaret Mousley, Michael Riddick, Jennifer Dowds, Pauline Skinner, Margaret Brooks, Joanne Robinson, Derek Smith, Sophie Leavesley, Tom Gregory, Fr Ray Bridson, Charlie Neill, Jean Gibson, Roger Johnson, Gladys Jump, Joanne Kerr, Irene Campbell, Stephen Coxhead, Joan Whittle, Eunice Jones, Harry Christian & Libby Humphries.

**Recently Departed:** Margaret Norris & Sarah Cobourne.

**Anniversary of Death:** Billy Higham, Patricia Murray, Helen Bailey, Irene Shields, David Singleton, Irma Jones, Shirley Brown, Billy Hughes, Carole Pyle, Bert Holland, Jean O'Connor, Joan Dougherty, William Woolrich, Dorothy Eperson & Gladys Beck.