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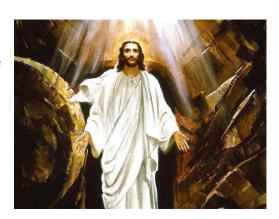
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EASTER SUNDAY- 8TH /9TH APRIL 2023

Dear Parishioners,

"He is Risen, Alleluia"! Today we rejoice because Jesus has been raised from the dead. This is the promise of eternal life for us. The tomb is empty the linen cloths are lying abandoned, not need any more....

In the beautiful sequence prayer, we hear: "Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to the Father reconciled. Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own champion, slain, yet lives to reign ... I saw Christ's glory as he rose ... Christ, my hope has risen ... he goes before you into Galilee ..."



Jesus had told his disciples that he would be betrayed, suffer, and die, but after three days he would rise again! Those who heard those words, "he would rise again", had no idea what Jesus really meant. We hear the words: "Where have you put him? He is not here ... Our own hope had been ... I refuse to believe unless ...". Here is an indication that the disciples were confused.

It is only gradually after the Resurrection, that his disciples begin to realise what being "raised from the dead" meant. Even now, we who follow and believe in Jesus, do not fully understand the complete implications.

When Jesus spoke Mary's name – she recognised him. The two disciples on the road to Emmaus said: "Did not our hearts burn within us, as he explained the scriptures to us ... and they recognised him in the Breaking of Bread". We now recognise Jesus in His Word, the Words of Scripture and also when we gather to celebrate the Eucharist, sharing His Body and Blood. So, we remember His promise, "where two or three gathered in my name, I am there with them".

He "going before us into Galilee", means he is with us and leading us in life's journey. There is no part of our lives where Jesus has not been there already. In his humanity He has experienced all our human situations. Therefore, we can place our trust in Him.

We welcome the Risen Lord into our lives once more and ask him to let "his face shine on us" and light up our path.

Thanks to all who have helped out and joined in the Holy Week Ceremonies. Thanks also for your greeting cards and gifts.

We extend a warm welcome to all visitors joining us during Easter.

A Blessed Easter - He is risen indeed. Alleluia!

Fr Joe and Sr Anabel

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY IN LAST SUNDAY'S COLLECTIONS

PARISH ACTIVITY -TEAS /COFFEE MORNING TEAS/COFFEE

In the Parish Hall on Sundays, after 9am and 11am Masses.

We also welcome parishioners and newcomers on Thursday mornings after the 9.15am Mass

Sat, 8th April HOLY SATURDAY

7pm **Easter Vigil Mass of the Resurrection**

Sun, 9th April **EASTER SUNDAY**

9am Mass of the Resurrection
11am Mass of the Resurrection



HOLY WATER: Please bring your Holy Water bottle to be replenished with Easter Water.

CONGRATULATIONS TO

Diego and Leonardo Le La Pivari, and Julia Batista who were Baptised,

and Rose Chacko who was Confirmed at Easter Vigil

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER

THANKS TO ALL WHO PARTICIPATED IN OUR HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS: those who cleaned the Church, prepared flowers, readers, musicians, altar servers, catechists, special ministries, IT team and all participants.

All helped to make Holy Week and Easter such a blessed time!



OLIVE WOOD CARVES FROM THE HOLYLAND

Chris of the are the Good Shepherd Company from the Holy land (Bethlehem) would like to thank the parishioners who purchased items last Sunday.

The total sales came to £800.

Thanks for your support!

LECTIO DIVINA PRAYER GROUP

Meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month after 9.15am Mass, at Verbum Dei Spirituality Centre. All welcome!

Next session 18th April, 2023

INVITATION TO OUR MONTHLY PRAYER VIGIL

At the Home Office, Marsham Street, SW1P 4DF from 12.30-1.30pm

Monday 17th April 2023

PLANNING GIVING & GIFT AID OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

for 2023-2024 ARE AVAILABLE FOR COLLECTION.

We thank all those who support our parish through the weekly offerings, offertory envelopes and Standing Orders.

This weekend and over the next three weeks, we will be giving out the envelopes for your offertory donations **from 9**th **April 2023**.

On collection of your envelopes, please give an update of change of address or whether or not you pay tax.

New members are welcome to join the Gift Aid - Planned Giving Scheme – register at the back of the church.

If you are an Income Tax Payer and not on Gift Aid please consider signing a Gift Aid declaration; as a registered charity, your offertory contributions increase this gift by 25p for each £1 given, if your annual income tax is more that the tax we will reclaim. An additional source of income to the parish at no added cost to you.

If you no longer pay tax please contact Germaine. Thank You!

'RED BOX 2022' THANK YOU

In 2022 St John Vianney raised £1,006.65 through the Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank You! Our missionary community is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of projects such as the Fundong Mission station in Cameroon has enable Fr Leon, a Mill Hill Missionary, to help children learn in a safe environment and instil values that empower them to turn away from conflict and towards faith in God.

Visit mission.org.uk to find out more about how your support changes lives for better.

A CAFOD WORD OF THANKS

Shukla is a mum in Bangladesh who has been

very worried about her children's nutrition.

After joining a community project in
Bangladesh, which is supported by CAFOD,
Shukla has a productive garden and can grow
food for her son. Shukla says, "worry has
completely disappeared now." People support
us in so many ways – giving in church, giving
to us by direct debit, or leaving us a gift in
their will. This generosity and compassion
reaches hard-working mothers like Shukla.
Thank you. To read Shukla's story, go to
cafod.org.uk/GiftInWill

TOTTENHAM REFUGEE ALLIANCE,

has Home Office approval to bring a refugee family to resettle in Haringey under their Community Sponsorship Programme. It's one of the few safe, legal routes for refugees to enter the UK in the hostile environment and facing the illegal Migration Bill. We have been struggling for a year now trying to find suitable and affordable housing to rent for a refugee family. If you know a sympathetic landlord or think you could help us find one, please contact us on

housing@tottenhamrefugees.org.uk
Thank you! Please share

PLEASE PRAY FOR

The repose of the souls of

Bernadette Stapleton, RIP

[widow of the late Anthony Stapleton mother of Katherine]

Funeral Mass on

Thursday 20th April at 9:15am

Ernest Carrott, RIP

[father of Ernest Jr]
Funeral Mass on

Tuesday 25th April at 9:15am

We remember their families and friends in our prayers.

May they rest in peace.

MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday at 9.15am

Saturday 6pm - Sunday Vigil Mass

Sunday 9:00am and 11:00am

ROSARY

Weekdays at 8.45am (before Mass)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Tuesdays after Mass

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5-5:30pm

NEXT SUNDAY: 1st SUNDAY of EASTER

1st Reading: Acts 2:42-47 Psalm: Psalm 117 2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9 Gospel: John 20:19-31

PARISH TEAM

Fr. Joe Ryan, Parish Priest Sr. Anabel Gonzalez, Parish Sister Germaine Ng Ying, Parish Adm/Secretary

THIS WEEK WE PRAY FOR The repose of the soul:

Kathleen McKernan
Eric D'Olive [brother of Monique]
Bernadette Stapleton [mother of Katherine]
Ernest Carrott Sr [father of Ernest Jr}
Pietro Todesco [husband of Giovanna]
Mary O'Neill [sister of Gabriel]
Joy Dean of Christ Church
Peggy Egan
Joe Burke
Antonio Fiore

RIP Anniversary

Kathy Floyde Angela Quinn Sean & Peggy O'Brien

Special Intentions:

Mary
Helen
Joseph
Robert
Sharon
Patricia
Janice
Laura
Josie
Christina

And for the sick and those in our parish

Angela Ann Eduardo Helen John T Ινγ Kathy F Kim Laura Lenora Merle Michael J Patricia Monica Phil Pantaleone Pierina Rose Sheila Veronica

NAMES NOT LISTED ABOVE ARE LISTED IN OUR BOOK OF INTENTIONS

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon to Fri 9am-12pm & 1pm-5pm To make an appointment Phone: 0208 888 5518 or email westgreen@rcdow.org.uk

We cannot guarantee to have anyone available outside of these hours.