NEWSLETTER

Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate and St Gregory the Great

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

Year A

A warm welcome is extended to everyone Please take this bulletin home

"Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb...Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead."

May I take this opportunity on behalf of Fr Voltair and the Parish Team, to wish you all the joy and hope that the Risen Christ brings to our hearts and minds. May we be quick to welcome the presence of Jesus into our homes and into our parish. You may remember the disciples on the Road to Emmaus , and Jesus said to them, "O foolish ones, and so slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" May the Holy Spirit accelerate and stir up a new and deeper faith in the Resurrection of Christ during this Easter Season and may this truth impact our daily lives.

Quote for Easter Season : St. Augustine of Hippo (354-430 AD) reflects on the slowness and lack of perception of the early disciples:
"They were so disturbed when they saw him hanging on the cross that they forgot his teaching, did not look for his resurrection, and failed to keep his promises in mind" And later, "Their eyes were obstructed, that they should not recognise him until the breaking of the bread. And thus, in accordance with the state of their minds, which was still ignorant of the truth - that the Christ would die and rise again, their eyes were similarly hindered. It was not that the truth himself was misleading them, but rather that they were themselves unable to perceive the truth." *(From The Harmony of the Gospels, 3.25.72)*

Pope Francis Tweets: While the mystery of evil is profound, the reality of God's Love poured out through Jesus is infinite and victorious.12:30 pm · 12 Apr 2017

Fr John

PARISH NOTICES

Congratulations to Leigh, Wesley and Brooke who were Received into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

St Gregory's Gardening Club: the 'working party' are meeting on Saturday 22nd April, after the 10am Mass to 1.00pm. All are welcome, members, friends and parishioners. Refreshments provided. For info, please contact Joe O'Connor on 8445 6580.

Re-Consecration and Celebration of our newly-refurbished Church is on the Feast of St Gregory, Sunday 3rd September 2017 with Mass at 11.00am - Main Celebrant is Cardinal Vincent

THIS WEEK

Sunday 16 April 2017

08.00 Mass Anna Cope (int) URC
09.15 Mass Margaret Dunn + URC
11.15 Mass Margaret Western + HC
18.30 No Mass

Easter Monday 17

09.30 Morning Prayer PH
10.00 Mass Peggy Campbell +
11.00 Meditation - PH (all welcome)
13.00 Mass @ Chase Farm Hospital

Easter Tuesday 18

09.30 Morning Prayer PH
10.00 Mass Janet Nestor (int) PH

Easter Wednesday 19

09.30 Morning Prayer - PH
10.00 Mass Roger Brabyn + PH
13.00 Mass @ Barnet General Hospital

Easter Thursday 20

09.30 Morning Prayer - PH
10.00 **Mass** Sean Trehy + PH

Easter Friday 21

09.30 Morning Prayer - PH
10.00 Mass John O'Donovan + PH

Easter Saturday 22

09.30 Morning Prayer - PH
10.00 Mass Irene & Mario Dalla-Piana + PH
18.30* Mass Eileen Kelleher + URC

Sunday 23 Second of Easter

Divine Mercy
08.00 Mass Parish & People URC
09.15 Mass Margaret Dunn + URC
11.15 Mass Sarah Caley ann + HC
16.30 Confirmation Year 10 - URC
18.30 Mass Terry Malone + HC

Please note the parish office hours will be limited this week, so please telephone before visiting.

URC = United Reformed Church, Wood Street, EN5 4BW
HC = Hope Corner Community Centre, 185 Mays Lane, EN5 2DY (*near the Co-Op)*
PH = Our Parish Hall (*access via Stapylton Rd*)

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Nichols. Followed by a shared lunch.

Hope Corner (*run by CTfCB*) currently require volunteers to help in many areas in the Community Centre - please contact Rosemary Watkins on 8364 8756 or Julian Desborough 07770 536137 for further information. In addition...

Cook wanted for Hope Corner - full details of the job spec and salary is in the parish hall or again contact Rosemary Watkins for information. (see above).

Saturday RE Classes: A programme for Primary School children attending non-Catholic school from Reception to Year 6. Sessions will be held in the JP Room at 09.30-10.45am on 29th April, 13th & 20th May, 10th & 24th June and 8th July 2017. We will be using 'The Way, The Truth and the Life' primary books as our resource. New children are welcome to join the group at any session. Just come along, meet new friends and learn more about your faith!

St Gregory's

Bollywood Night

Saturday 13th May

7.30pm for 8.00pm

at St Martha's Senior School
Camlet Way, Hadley Wood

* Dancers * Music *
* Licenced Bar * Buffet *
'Auction' on the night

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Tickets available after Mass on the 22/23 April

Price £20 each

Poor Clare's Spring Fair Saturday 22 April 10am-1.30pm at the Monastery, 102 Galley Lane, EN5. Various stalls, home-made wares.

Churches Together in Palmers Green and Winchmore Hill are holding a worship and prayer service for the Enfield Refugees Welcome Project. All welcome. 7.30pm Wednesday the 19th April at St Monica's Palmers Green.

"**Dear Fr John and all the parish**: wishing you a happy and Blessed Easter and thanking you all most sincerely for your very welcome Easter Gift, which is very much appreciated. We look forward to seeing the Church when it is completed. We keep you all, and all your intentions, in our daily prayers. May God Bless and reward you all. With love from all the Poor Clare's, Sister Francisca."

Easter Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim
offer sacrifice and praise.
The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;
And 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.
Tell us, Mary: say what thou
didst see upon the way.
The tomb the Living did enclose;
I saw Christ's glory as he rose!
The angels there attesting;
Shroud with grave-clothes resting.
Christ, my hope, has risen:
he goes forth before you into Galilee.
That Christ is truly risen from
the dead we know.
Victorious king,
thy mercy show!

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

The Sick & Homebound

Jane-Rose Azemi, Thomas Houlihan, Janet Bennett, Anne-Marie Nowell, David Brown, Tony Costello, Emanuele Brunelli, Pat Lucid, Pauline Purdue, Bridget Allin, Amelia Simon, Linda Atkinson, Judith Townsend, Troy Hopkins, Elio Marcangelo, Pat Cosgrove, Irene Jones, Ivor Francis, Maria Wallace, Bernard Eason, Mariela Mansi, Michael Finnegan, Mary Wallace, Concetta O'Connell, Liam Kinsella, Margaret Greaney, Teresa Woodhouse, Maurice Hunt, Margaret Dunne, Raymond Heagney, Evelyn McManamon, Ben Price, Rob Calrow, Amparo Abalos, Rita McKenna, Linda Quilter, Francis Grennan, Stasia Gallagher, Maura Howells, Barnie Rowe, Suzanne Greig

Sacrament of Baptism

Hannah Henry, Leo Lusignani, Fabian Ghosh, Luca Schofield, Leonie Mine, Lucas Bagley-Meyer, Flynn Hewitt, Isobel Southern, Sophie Scott Toplis, Dana Vaughan

Pope's Prayer Intention for April: *Young People* - That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

Recently died: Anthony Cox

Music for the Liturgy

09.15 and 11.15 Mass

Please use separate sheet

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