

Catholic Church of Mary Immaculate
& St Gregory the Great

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection

Week 2 Year C

A warm welcome to everyone - please take this newsletter home with you

As we celebrate the glorious Feast of the Resurrection this Easter Sunday we can ponder deeply the message given by our Holy Father Pope Francis:

He reminds us that the first to follow Jesus on the path of faith and obedience to God was the Blessed Mother, Mary. We all have to respond with faith to the various harsh and painful events of life, often with “a particular heaviness of heart”, but we remember also that it is only from night that one sees the “dawn of the resurrection.”

Pope Francis continues, “Do not be ashamed to show your enthusiasm for Jesus, to shout out that He is alive and that He is your life. Yet at the same time, do not be afraid to follow Him on the way of the cross. When you hear that He is asking you to renounce yourselves, to let yourselves be stripped of every security, and to entrust yourselves completely to our Father in heaven, then rejoice and exult! You are on the path of the kingdom of God.”

Let us as a parish community enter this Easter season with the same enthusiasm, faith and deep conversion through the love of the Risen Christ. Alleluia! Alleluia!

Fr John

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Due to personal reasons, Fr Arnel is returning to the Philippines on Monday 29th April.

Please join me in saying farewell to Fr Arnel at the 6.30pm Sunday evening Mass on the 28th April followed by light refreshments in the parish hall. Please keep Fr Arnel in your prayers. Unfortunately there will be no Hospital Masses until a replacement is appointed.

Sunday 21 April 2019

8.00am Mass Ida Reynolds +
9.30am Mass
11.15am Mass

Easter Monday 22

9.30 Morning Prayer
10.00 Mass Terry Basye +
11.00 Meditation - C (all welcome)
13.00 Mass @ Chase Farm Hospital

Easter Tuesday 23

St George
09.30 Morning Prayer
10.00 Mass Ted & Maureen Shanagher +
followed by refreshments in the JP Room - ALL WELCOME (see notices)

Easter Wednesday 24

NO ADORATION

09.30 Morning Prayer
10.00 Mass Anne Burke +
13.00 Mass @ Barnet General Hospital
17.15 Novena: Mother of Perp' Help - C

Easter Thursday 25

09.30 Morning Prayer
10.00 Mass Maria Sedas Perez +

Easter Friday 26

NO ADORATION

09.30 Morning Prayer
10.00 Mass Jacqueline Azzi +

Easter Saturday 27

10.00 Mass Irene & Mario Dalla-Piana +
14.30 Tea Dance - PH (see notices)
18.30* Mass Mary Gallagher +

Sun 28 Second Sunday of Easter

(or of Divine Mercy)
08.00 Mass Elio Marcangelo +
09.30 Mass Gerald Crowley ann+
11.15 Mass Zaghigh & Vartevar Dhanessian +
16.30 Confirmation Year 10 - PH
18.30 Mass Parish & People
followed by farewell gathering for Fr Arnel - PH

The parish office opening hours will be limited this week. Please telephone the presbytery before your visit.

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NOTICES

Congratulations to Christina, Brooklyn, Chantel, Roisin, Gianna, Michele, Charilaos and Dimitrios who were Baptised this Easter and/or received into the full communion of the Church at the Easter Vigil Mass.

A BIG thank you to everyone who helped make this Holy Week and Easter so special.

Adoration will resume on Wednesday 1st May. The church will remain open for private prayer.

Please collect your **Planned Giving Boxes** from the presbytery. We are unable to leave them in the porch.

‘Loose’ **Offertory Collection** on Easter Sunday will be for the ‘Build’ Fund. Thank you for your continued support.

St George’s Day Coffee Morning hosted by the Life Ascending Group is on Tuesday 23rd April after the 10am Mass. Enjoy an English Tea. Raffle. All proceeds to go to the church build. Please come along and join us.

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 4th & 18th May, 8th & 22nd June and 6th & 13th July. 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!

You may wish to give an offering to your Priests for Easter. You can do this by placing your gift in an envelope (available at the back of the church) and posting it through the presbytery door. Thank you for your kind generosity.

St Gregory’s Tea Dance is on Saturday 27th April, 2.30pm-4.30pm (doors open 2pm). Admission: £5.00 (refreshments & raffle) with popular local musician, Chris Sausman on keyboards/vocal. Come enjoy music, don’t have to dance. All proceeds to go towards the Barnet YSVP Redcaps helping at Lourdes.

May I take this opportunity, on behalf of Fr Arnel, Fr Carlo and the Parish Team, to wish you all the joy and hope that the Risen Christ brings to our hearts and minds. Fr John

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

Sacrament of Baptism

Please pray for our 1st Holy Communicants & Confirmands receiving the Sacraments for the first time this year.

Recently died:

Music for the Liturgy

09.30 Mass

Entrance: 267

Psalm: This day was made by the Lord! We rejoice! We rejoice! We rejoice and are glad.

Sequence: Read

Prayer: R/: Through our glorious risen Saviour, Jesus Christ.

Offertory: 278

Communion: 258

Surrexit Christus alleluia!
Cantate domino alleluia!
(Christ is risen, sing to the Lord)

Going Forth: 765

Music Co-Ordinator

Teresa Howells