



Sunday of Divine Mercy

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THIS WEEK

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY) - 24th April

6pm*: Sean Treny+
8.30am: Pat & Peggy Cosgrove
 (thanksgiving)
10.30am: Janet Nestor (int)
6.00pm: John McDonald (int)

Mon 25th **St Mark**
6pm: Betty McNamara (int)

Tue 26th **St George**
 9.30am: Morning Prayer
10.00am: Mary Fitzsimons (ann+)

Wed 27th
 No Mass

Thur 28th
10.00am: Ivor Francis+
 10.30am: Coffee Morning

Fri 29th **St Catherine**
 9.30am: Morning Prayer
10.00am: Elsa Jordache+
 1.30pm: Christian Meditation
 6.00pm: Adoration

Sat 30th
6pm*: May Carey+

1st May - 3rd Sunday of Easter
8.30am: Kathleen McHugh+
10.30am: William Loh+
6.00pm: Mary Stella Soosay+

Eight days later, his disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said, "Peace be with you." Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

The Risen Lord Jesus Christ revealed the glory of his resurrection to his disciples gradually and over a period of time. Even after the apostles saw the empty tomb and heard the reports of Jesus' appearance to the women, they were still weak in faith and fearful of being arrested by the Jewish authorities. When Jesus appeared to them he offered proofs of his resurrection by showing them the wounds of his passion, his pierced hands and side. He calmed their fears and brought them peace, the peace which reconciles sinners and makes us friends of God. Next Christ commissioned his weak, anxious and doubting apostles to bring the good news of the Gospel to the ends of the earth. This sending out of the disciples is parallel to the sending out of Jesus by his heavenly Father. He calls his first disciples and he now calls each one of us to do the same. Just as he gave his first disciples the gift of the Holy Spirit, so he breathes on each of us the same Holy Spirit who equips us with new life, power, joy, and courage to live each day as followers of the Risen Lord. As a Parish community this week may we all believe in the good news of the Gospel and in the power of the Holy Spirit to bring us new life, hope, and joy.

Eastertide Quote from the Early Church Fathers: Touching the Flesh, He Invokes the Word, by St Augustine of Hippo, 354-430 A.D. "But when Jesus showed Thomas the very places where he had his doubts, Thomas exclaimed, "My Lord and my God." He touched his flesh, he proclaimed his divinity. What did he touch? The body of Christ. Was the body of Christ the divinity of Christ? The divinity of Christ was the Word; the humanity of Christ was soul and flesh. Thomas could not touch the soul, but he could perceive it, because the body that had been dead was moving about alive. But that Word is subject neither to change nor to contact, it neither regresses nor progresses, neither fails nor flourishes, because in the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. That is what Thomas proclaimed. He touched the flesh, he invoked the Word, because the Word became flesh and dwelt among us."

Fr John.

NOTICES

WELCOME!

ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH? WOULD YOU LIKE TO FIND OUT MORE ABOUT YOUR PARISH? Please visit the parish website on parish.rcdow.org.uk/barnet where you will find information on the parish, parish groups and much more. Information is also available in the church porch. This is produced weekly with current news on what is happening in and around the parish - available at the back of the church or on the website under 'news'. If you would like to register yourself and/or your family, please email the parish office with your details to barnet@rcdow.org.uk

THE PARISH PASTORAL FORUM: Consists of the parish team and a group of parishioners who are often at Mass at the weekend. Please do stop to say hello or if you have any questions. Their details are in the porch and website- if they can't help you, they will know someone who can!

NEED TO TALK? If you would like to speak to Anita pastorally and in confidence, Anita is available on Tuesdays after 10am mass. Please knock on the presbytery door or email anitahammond@rcdow.org.uk

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

This day was made by the Lord, we rejoice, x2

This day was made by the Lord, we rejoice and are glad!

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SATURDAY CLASSES: Summer Term All Primary school children not attending Catholic Schools are welcome to come and learn about their Catholic Faith. During the sessions we pray together, we talk, sing songs and make new friends. **Venue:** The JP Room
Time: From 9.30am to 10.45am
Dates: April: 23rd, May: 7th & 21st, June: 11th & 25th, July: 9th

CARDINAL'S ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MASS for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022 at 3pm. e-invites will be emailed to the couples or Parish Office. The following couples are invited to attend on the day: Robert & Catherine Calrow; Martin & Nicola Dias; Dermot & Elizabeth McNamara; Peter & Monica Thompson, and Paolo & Susan Tolaini. If you do not get your e-invites by **2nd May 2022**, please contact the Parish Office on [0208 449 3338](tel:02084493338)

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Particular prayers: The people of Ukraine

Please remember in your prayers the Sick and Homebound including:

Sean Kelly, Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Linda & Stuart Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Bernadette Hunt, Roberto Lusignani, Elaine Brennan, Mark O'Brien, Rita Rawlings, Margaret Trehy, Joe Connolly, Mary Harris, Eric Power, Michael Keyes, Eileen Robbins, John Chuter, Marlene Hollocks, Margaret Greaney, Veronica Soosay, John Thompson, Lucretia Olivier-Hall, David John Hall, Suzanne Greig, Paul Stephens, George Buhagia, Paul Dempsey

Recently Deceased: Leonor Driscoll and Maureen Power

Holy God
Holy Mighty One
Holy Immortal One
have mercy on us
and on the whole
world.

JESUS, KING OF MERCY
we trust in You.

Reopened on 19th April!

PARENT & TODDLER GROUP



TUESDAYS: 10am -11.30am. (Term time only)
at Church Parish Hall
Age Range: Birth to 3rd Birthday
£1 per family per morning
Parents: tea, coffee, juice and biscuits
Toddlers: toys, books puzzles etc
Come join us!

HAVE YOU SIGNED A GIFT AID FORM?
We will soon be putting in a Gift Aid claim asking HM Revenue & Customer to give us the tax you have paid on your donations. **If you have stopped paying tax**, please email the Presbytery on barnet@rcdow.org.uk so we do not claim on your giving if you haven't paid tax. **Planned Giving Boxes are still available for collection from the Presbytery during Office Hours.**

COMMUNION

Put your hand here Thomas, reach out and feel: doubt no longer, but believe, **Alleluia.**

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