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**8/9 APRIL 2023**

**EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION YEAR A**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>8.00 pm</b>	Easter Vigil	For the Sick
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>		Agnes & Joe Gallagher (int.)
		<b>11.00am</b>		People of the Parish
<b>Monday</b>	<b>10th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Octave of Easter	Pietro Nicastro RIP
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>11th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Octave of Easter	Holy Souls
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>12th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Octave of Easter	Paulette Ayisi BD
<b>Friday</b>	<b>14th</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Benediction and Mass	
<b>Divine Mercy Sunday Year A</b>				
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>15th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>16th</b>	<b>9 &amp; 11.00 am</b>		
<b>Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 4:30-pm or telephone the presbytery for an appointment</b>				

**We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Barbara Bassett, Barbara Alexander and for those who have no one to care for them. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially those whose anniversaries occur at this time.**

### **SUNDAY READINGS**

**First Reading:** Acts 10:34, 37-43 Peter and the other apostles are witnesses to the resurrection

**Second Reading:** Colossians 3:1-4 Christ is now in glory; we share in his risen state

**Gospel Reading:** John 20:1-9 The empty tomb seen by Peter and the Beloved Disciple is a sign of the resurrection of Jesus

### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- Meeting the Risen One**

Mary meets the Risen One when she feels herself personally called by him. That is the core of resurrection faith. Jesus shows himself full of life to us when we feel ourselves called by our own name and we hear the invitation that he makes to each one of us. That is when our faith grows. Our faith in the living Christ won't be revived only by the Easter accounts alone. We will not properly meet him if we don't seek a living, personal contact with him. A combination of the love of Jesus known through the Gospel and sought personally in the depths of our hearts, can best lead us to meet the Risen One. **May you be spiritually renewed as we celebrate the resurrection of our Lord and Saviour. May we be strengthened by the resurrection power. Happy Easter Season to you all**

### **APPRECIATION**

Thank you to everyone whose support has brought our Parish Community this far. I particularly appreciate the various roles you all played to ensure that we had a good Easter celebrations. Readers, decorators, cleaning team, office volunteers, stewards, and choir/singers at the 11am Mass; God bless you for sharing your gifts and talents in the vineyard of the Lord. Thank you for the personal cards and gifts to me.

### **VOLUNTEERING IN THE PARISH**

The Parish appreciates the selfless efforts of volunteers in our Parish. It has become necessary to appeal to all parishioners to generously offer their time and talents in building our Parish Community. Variety is the spice of life! We need more readers at all the Masses, welcomers (who also serve as offertory collectors), collection money counters, **singers to boost the choir at the 11am Mass**, more people to join the parish councils, people with ICT skills and children and youth catechists. If you are interested in helping, please speak to Fr. Clement personally or email him; [cheshunt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:cheshunt@rcdow.org.uk). Thank you

### **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2023-4**

The current boxes of envelopes ran out on April 2. The new boxes with envelopes starting on April 9 (today) are available for collection at the back of the church. Your number on your new envelopes remains the same as last year. The box will also have your name and postcode on it. If you have problems collecting the box please let us know and we can arrange delivery. We are very grateful for the steady income Envelope and Standing Order Planned Givers donate to the parish.

### **ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 13th May 2023 at 2:30pm. The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2023. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

### **COST OF LIVING CRISIS**

The Caritas web page <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/colc2022.php>, includes a pdf document (the brochure used at our conference in November) containing a range of organisations which can help people struggling with the cost of living. Their development team remains available to offer advice and direct you to support for any parish projects you wish to develop to help your community at this time. Find their contact details here: <https://www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/our-development-team.php>. **People who are in debt to their energy supplier** might be able to get a grant from a charitable trust to help pay it off. More details on this link – plus links to several advice providers <https://fuelpovertyresource.org.uk/focus-on/fuel-debt-and-trust-funds/>

### **PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

Visit our Lady of Lourdes with the Diocese of Westminster on 21st – 28th July 2023. Pilgrimage led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Contact Elizabeth Uwalaka for more information. 0207 798 9173; email [lourdes@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:lourdes@rcdow.org.uk); web [rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/Lourdes](http://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/Lourdes).

### **PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND**

Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Holy Land: Join us on our pilgrimage/retreat to the Holy Land, led this year by Bishop John Sherrington and Fr John Farrell OP. Dates: Sunday 19th November to Monday 27th November. Route: Galilee – Jerusalem – Bethlehem. Flying from Heathrow on BA. Cost is for full board £2265 per person sharing a room, £682 single room supplement. Travel insurance essential. You can book online at <http://www.tangney-tours.com/WHL> or call Gill at Tangney Tours 01732 886666 or Elizabeth at the Pilgrimage office 0207 798 9173

### **APPRECIATION/Fr. Clement away**

Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times, especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving to the Parish. I will be away for three weeks in Ghana. Welcome the supply priests who will supply in my absence. Happy Easter Season!

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