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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER -YEAR B**



<b>Saturday</b>	<b>13th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>		Ron Barton RIP
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>14th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>		Bibi Tella BD
		<b>11.00am</b>		Fergus Christopher Hamill 10 <sup>th</sup> Anniv
<b>Monday</b>	<b>15th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Easter Feria	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>16th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Easter Feria	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>17th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Easter Feria	Holy Souls
<b>Friday</b>	<b>19th</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>	Benediction & Mass	Fr. Anton Cowan RIP
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sun of Easter Year B</b>				
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>20th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>		
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>21st</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, **Patricia Reilly, Mariesha McDonagh, 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 and for **Fergus Christopher Hamill** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

### SUNDAY READINGS

**First Reading:** Acts 3:13-15 Peter blames his Jewish listeners for the death of Jesus, then

calls them to repentance **Second Reading:** 1 John 2:1-5 Even Christians are prone to sin. But

if we sin, forgiveness is available to us **Gospel Reading:** Luke 24:35-48 The risen Jesus

appears to his apostles, for he is real and not a ghost

### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- *Repent and be forgiven*

“You see how it is written that the Christ would suffer, and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations.” This prediction or mandate of the risen Christ is echoed by Peter in the first reading, “Now you must repent and turn to God, that your sins may be wiped out.” In John’s epistle too, we are urged to stop sinning, and if we have sinned the sacrifice of Christ can take our sins away. People who live without thought of God or of His will, may silence their consciences with the promise of repenting some future day. But is it possible that a change of heart can happen in a single day? Can our character and habits possibly be improved by an act of our will? **Happy Easter season to you all.**

### PRIEST TRAINING COLLECTION FUND NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend.

This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 49 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 13 of whom are from our own Diocese.

We also have one seminarian in Valladolid and one at the Beda, presently on pastoral placement in Ruislip. There are also two on a propaedeutic year at Redemptoris Mater. Last

year 3 deacons were ordained for Westminster Diocese. The Priest Training Fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations). Thank you for your generosity.

### **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2024/25**

The current boxes of envelopes ran out on March 31. The new boxes with envelopes starting on April 7 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 to help identify it. If you have problems collecting the box, please let us know and we can arrange delivery. New envelope givers will also find their boxes of envelopes at the back of the church. We are very grateful for the steady income Envelope and Standing Order Planned Givers donate to the parish.

### **THE SANTA MARTA GROUP**

Was established in 2014 by Pope Francis to combat human trafficking and modern slavery. SMG is now delivering 'Awareness and Guidance for Communities' to encourage local action and to prevent human trafficking and modern slavery taking place in our midst. On Thursday 2nd May 2024 the Santa Marta Group will hold a meeting at the Church of the Sacred Heart of Jesus and St Joseph 1, King Edward's Road, Ware, SG12 7EJ from 6.45pm – 9.30pm. Kevin Hyland, the UK's first Independent anti-slavery Commissioner and currently chief advisor to the Santa Marta Group will lead the meeting. All are welcome to come to learn more about the prevalence of human trafficking and modern slavery in our communities and the steps we can take to prevent it.

### **REPOSITORY**

The Repository will be open after 11.00 am Mass. Cards and presents available for First Holy Communion and Confirmation etc

### **PARKING**

Please park only on church property to avoid blocking residents' driveways. The road is narrow so even parking opposite a driveway can cause problems. There is extra parking available at Holly Lodge on Church Lane at weekends. When parking in the church carpark, please park so that the maximum numbers of cars can fit in. Please note that the parking space in front of the flats, adjacent to the church, is private land and for residents of the flats only.

### **DIOCESAN JOBS**

Are you looking for job opportunities? Westminster Diocese has some opportunities for you. For a list of current vacancies and further details, please visit <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

### **BROXBOURNE FOOD BANK**

We will continue to support the Broxbourne Food Bank. Food donations can be put in the container near the altar. Money donations can be made via BACS to Broxbourne Foodbank, Lloyds Bank, sort code 77-05-13 Account Number 15360568

### **APPRECIATION**

Thank you for your Easter cards, presents and the continuous support to the Parish, especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving to the Parish.