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25th April 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER year B

“Peace be with you”

Peace be with you – these are the very first words the Risen Jesus says to his frightened disciples; he repeats them twice: peace be with you. Today, everyone may hear these words said to him / her personally: peace be with you. Today, we may have many reasons to be frightened: the virus, finances, family, future etc., and we might be tempted to close ourselves down and wait for a better time to come. Nevertheless, life goes on and the Risen Lord reassures us – he is the source of peace and security in the midst of this crisis. Of course, we need to protect ourselves from the virus but to close ourselves to others, to relationships and to the future might be a mistake, which may isolate us and keep us in fear of loneliness. We should never follow our fears as it only closes us in and isolates us. Today we are invited to welcome the peace of the Risen Lord and to put our trust in Him. He will help us to protect ourselves in a way, which does not isolate us from others but helps us to remain open to others and trustful, looking with hope to the future.

One of the ways of being in communion with others is sharing. Sharing is a very concrete way of loving others, of remaining attentive to them and outwardly focused. Fear closes us in. Love opens us up to others. I would like to thank you very much for sharing with us during the Mass on Maundy Thursday. I know that in this time to donate might not be an easy thing to do. My brothers and sisters in Manila, as well as myself, are really touched by your generosity and faithful memory.

At the moment, the number of new Covid cases in the Philippines and in particular in Metro Manila has increased. The rollout of the vaccine is very slow and in any case, there is not enough vaccines anyway. We are waiting patiently for the situation to change. The government has introduced even more severe restrictions, which stopped completely our mission here. Now, no one under 18 and above 65 years old is allowed to go out (luckily I am only 43 😊); all education is done solely online. The situation is sad for us because it's stopped our work here. We were trying to find new ways to help people. Just a few weeks ago, we managed to open an area, which we equipped with computers and with free internet so that the poorer children or students can come to follow their education in our facilities. In many families, there is only one device for several children and the internet is expensive. Due to the restrictions, many people have lost their jobs, even very simple ones, which allowed them to feed their families. We can observe an increase in poverty. Your donation will certainly help us to care for those who are in need of basics. We are also being obliged to carry out the substantial works in our student house so that we can safely welcome students coming from the provinces for their study. This is a challenge for me as the house is very big and quite old, there is a lot to be done. We have also been reaching out to people from the local parish and if the circumstances allow we will carry with the parish a training programme for the leaders of the local communities, starting in May. This means to touch the people living in the little administrative units called barangay – and is where we come in touch with many people. Personally, I am well and in good health, though it would be nice to see you again.



Thank you once again for your kindness, prayers and donations. Maraming salamat po! May the Risen Lord keep you all in His peace and Joy. Let us all say with saint sr. Faustina: “Jesus I trust in You”!

Fr Sebastian Ostrynski, ccn

CANA WEEK

July 25th - 31st, 2021
SCLERDER ABBEY
Sclerder Lane
Looe
Cornwall
PL13 2JD

Rekindle your love for each other

Register your interest "NOW" as places are limited

All details to be found on our website
www.chemin-neuf.org.uk
or email us on
canaukinfo@gmail.com

A time to experience God who loves you both and wants to strengthen, renew and deepen your love for each other

- * A week focused on you as a couple
- * Enjoy laughter and new friends
- * Live simply within the Abbey
- * Your children are looked after having a fun time with other kids

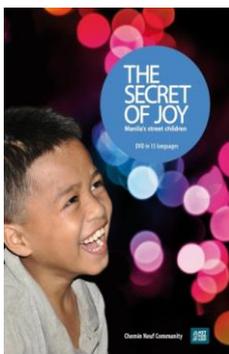
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NET FOR GOD PRAYER GROUP - DVD
THE SECRET OF JOY

Tuesday 27th April – 8pm online

In Manila, the capital of the Philippines, many slum children live on the streets abandoned by their families and are easy prey for predators of any kind. The charity ANAK-Tnk, 'a bridge for children' run by a priest Matthew Dauchez, works to take children away from the streets and help them build their future.

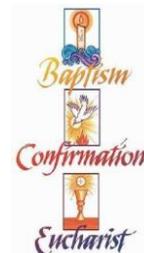
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SACRAMENTS 2021/22

Baptism Preparation

Want your baby christened? Registrations are open to join the next Baptism Course: 3 sessions on Sundays, 10-11am. 9th, 16th May and 6th June. Contact the parish secretary or Fr Jean-Sébastien, jslaurent@rcdow.org.uk.



First Holy Communion Preparation

On **Sunday 9 May** session with parents and children. We will begin **at 9.45am until 12 noon** including Mass at 11am.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

SUNDAY 25TH APRIL, IS GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY,

Donation leaflets are available in the entrance hall. Please take one and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

BIBLE STUDY FOR EASTERTIDE

A new Bible study series based on the readings for Sunday Mass **began 22 April and will continue for 5 weeks until Pentecost** - i.e. Thursday evenings, until 20 May at 8 pm. Meetings will be on Zoom so you can participate from your own home. The series will be led by Deacon Ted Wood. To register and receive a Zoom link for meetings, please contact the parish



BT CLUB “Spring Sharing Project”

Now that warmer weather is here attention turns to the great outdoors and we would like to invite all parishioners to share their tips and ideas on gardening and growing. If you have any photos of your garden or allotment successes, they will be most welcome also. The idea is to collate the information and share with others. Please get your “Green Fingers” at the ready and email cockfosters@rcdow.org.uk or send to the parish office. Thank you



OPENING OF THE CHURCH TIMETABLE

Mass at 11am (except Tuesday)

Monday – Friday 10.30am – 2pm
 Saturday – 10.30am – 1pm **5.30pm Mass**
 Sunday – **9am Mass & 11am Mass**
Confession & Adoration 6-7pm



- Please wear a face mask, this should cover your mouth and nose.
- For communion, there will be only one line. Then people will separate for the two communion stations at the front. Keeping a safe distance.
- In order to lessen the congestion at the exits, people should start to leave the church during the closing song after the priests have left.
- Please do not mingle inside or outside the church.
- Please don't attend church if you or anyone in your household is ill.

READERS ROTA

The reader's rota for May/June is now available to collect from the entrance hall.

YOUTH GROUP MEET-UP

Sunday 2nd May – 5.30 – 7.00pm

All young people in school year 9-12 welcome.



Sunday 25 April	FOURTH SUNDAY of EASTER year B Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Acts 4:8-12. Ps. 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. 1 Jn. 3:1-2. Jn. 10:11-18.	Thursday 29 April	ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, Virgin & Doctor Patron of Europe Mass: 11.00am Readings: 1 Jn. 1:5 – 2:2. Ps. 102:1-4. 8-9. 13-14. 17-18. Mt. 11:25-30.
Monday 26 April	Easter Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Acts 11:1-18. Ps. 41:2-3; 42:3-4. Jn. 10:1-10.	Friday 30 April	Easter Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Acts 13:26-33. Ps. 2:6-11. Jn. 14:1-6.
Tuesday 27 April	Easter Feria NO MASS Readings: Acts 11:19-26. Ps. 86:1-7. Jn 10:22-30.	Saturday 1 May	Easter Feria Masses: 11.00am & 5.30pm Readings: Acts 13:44-52. Ps. 97:1-4. Jn. 14:7-14.
Wednesday 28 April	Easter Feria Mass: 11.00am Readings: Acts 12:24 – 13:5. Ps. 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. Jn. 12:44-50.	Sunday 2 May	FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER year B Masses: 9.00am & 11.00am Readings: Acts 9:26-31. Ps. 21:26-28. 30-32. 1 Jn. 3:18-24. Jn. 15:1-8.