

# THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Copenhagen Street

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**Parish Office opening times:** Tuesday-Friday 10.00am -2.00pm



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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION

16<sup>th</sup> April 2017

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## Life without End

Belief in the resurrection is essential to our faith, yet the account of Jesus' resurrection, or rather the lack of it, leaves us as confused as the original disciples. We've been left with a puzzle with pieces missing, a story with an important part untold. As Christians we are reminded that religion is ultimately a faith not a science.

Our human search for certainty urges us to try and work out who moved the stone, but at this point all we can do is put the resurrection into the context of the rest of Jesus' life and teachings. We have to trust that everything Jesus has told us is true, and that the resurrection is not just an invention to give a tragic story a happy ending, but the realisation of the promises Jesus made all along. Jesus

promised all along that death couldn't contain us, and the empty tomb points to this not necessarily as proof, but as truth.

The empty tomb gives our life purpose. Belief in the resurrection means we can live life boldly and well, looking forward to eternal life. The empty tomb gives us a means to deal with pain and suffering, it means that death is not a meaningless end of life, but the door to the fullness of life with the risen Christ.

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## A BLESSED AND HAPPY EASTER

to all our parishioners and visitors

**Christ is Risen – He is Risen indeed ! Alleluia!**

It was good to see so many able to take part in the Holy Week Ceremonies.

Thank you to all who helped them to be such prayerful services.

Thank you also for your kind Easter wishes, cards & gifts.

*Sr Miriam, Mgr Séamus, Fr David & Fr Larry*

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**CONFIRMATION:** the next session for the candidates is on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> April from 7.00-8.30pm at St John's, Duncan Terrace.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Children's classes do not resume until Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> April at 9:45 a.m.

**HELP REQUESTED:** If there is anyone interested in helping arrange flowers in church when needed, please let Sister Miriam know. Thank you.

**SPIRITUAL READING AND PRAYER BOOKS:** There are some religious books on the cupboard at the back of church. If you are interested, please help yourself.

**WEB SITE:** Check out the parish website at [www.rcdow.org.uk/copenhagenstreet](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/copenhagenstreet) the site now includes the newsletter and much more. If you Google Blessed Sacrament, don't go to the "Catholic Directory" site as it is outdated.

**LAST SUNDAY'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION:** Envelopes £338.55 Loose £231.63

Thank you for your generosity.

**REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS:**

Please remember to pray for John Phillips and Alma Gordon Cooper who died recently, and for all those whose anniversaries are about this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**HEALING FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** especially Leny Tirado, Mary Payne, Alice Clancy, Doreen Clayton, Tom Hunt, Sophia O'Donnell, Monica Smith (O'Leary), Eugene Mariner, Cassie Robinson, Tessa Charlton, Michael Hehir, Emmanuel Tala, Mary Wallace, Nina & Jocelyn Hillgarth, Filomena Barbo, Colin Harris, Margaret Phillips, Peggy Walsh, Nora Moran, Maria Carrano, Teresa Finnigan, May Cullen., Gordana Tancevska, Irene Bryan, Phuong Quach , Albert Boateng, Anne Griffin, baby Freddie Mudd.

<b>MASSES THIS WEEK:</b>			
<b>DATE</b>	<b>FEAST DAYS</b>	<b>TIME</b>	<b>INTENTION</b>
Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> April	<b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> <b>(Mass Book p.251)</b>	8.30am 11.00am	All our Parishioners Maureen McLoughlin RIP
Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Monday within the Easter Octave</i>	10.30am	<b>**NO MASS THIS WEEK**</b>
Tuesday 18 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Tuesday within the Easter Octave</i>	10.30am	Private Intention
Wednesday 19 <sup>th</sup> April	<i>Wednesday within the Easter Octave</i>	10.30am	Private Intention
Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> April	<i>Saturday within the Easter Octave</i>	10.30am	All our Parishioners
Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> April	<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTERF</b> <b>(Mass Book p.255)</b>	8.30am 11.00am	Mary Coyle RIP & Richard Burke RIP Michael O'Sullivan RIP (Anniv.)

**Weekday Masses:** Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 10.30am

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 10.30am, Sunday 8.30am & 11.00am

**Confessions:** Sunday 8am-8.20am: 10.30am – 10.50am

*Weekday Mass at St John the Evangelist Monday - Friday at 10.00am – All welcome*

*Confessions at St John's on Saturday 10.30-11.15am and 5.15-5.45pm*