THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

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PARISH NEWSLETTER - 23rd April 2023

First reading Acts 2:14, 22-33

Show us, Lord, the path of life. **Psalm:**

1 Peter 1:17-21 **Second reading:** Luke 24:13-35 **Gospel:**



MASS TIMES & MASS **INTENTIONS WEEK COMMENCING 22nd April**

> Saturday 22nd April 6pm Milan Yee (RIP)

SUNDAY 23rd April 9:30am Eileen McKenne (RIP) Janet Daulton (RIP)

11:30am Lillian Murphy (RIP)

MONDAY 24th April-ST GEORGE, Martyr, Patron of England 9.30am Patick O'Brien

> **TUESDAY 25th April-ST MARK, Evangelist** 9.30am Milan Yee (RIP)

WEDNESDAY 26th April-St Alphege, Bishop & Martyr 9.30am Terence de Fonseka (RIP)

> **THURSDAY 27th April** 9.30am Rosanne O'Reilly (INT)

FRIDAY 28th April 9.30am Cathleen & John Wilkins (RIP)

Please remember in your prayers All the sick

John Came, Brendan O'Brien, Robert Rowe, Kevin Kerr

All the recently departed and their loved ones

and the faithful departed whose anniversaries occur at about this time: **Janet Daulton**

Today's Gospel reading vividly reveals the transforming power of an encounter with the risen Lord. Two bitterly disappointed disciples are leaving Jerusalem, where their hopes have been destroyed. Jesus, "the Nazarene, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word" (Lk 24:19) and whom they believed had promised a new kingdom, had been crucified, died, and was buried. All their hopes and expectations have come to nothing. Along the road to Emmaus, a stranger joins them, and they share with him their frustrations.

The Gospel reading contains a remarkable message for us and every generation. Like those disciples on the road to Emmaus, we encounter the presence of the risen Lord every time we gather to hear the Scriptures proclaimed and witness the bread of the Eucharist broken. "The Church has always venerated the divine Scriptures just as she venerates the body of the Lord, since, especially in the sacred liturgy, she unceasingly receives and offers to the faithful the bread of life from the table both of God's word and of Christ's body" (Dei verbum, 21).

SAVE THE DATE: MASS FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Saturday 20th May 2023 at 11.30am All are welcome. If you know of any relatives, neighbours or friends who find it difficult to get to church, this could be an ideal opportunity to enable them to come by offering them a lift. Mass will be followed by refreshments in the hall and carers and helpers are very welcome. If anyone has any dietary restrictions, please do let us know by emailing

socialcommitteesap@yahoo.com

CONTACT INFORMATION

Parish Priest - Rev Dermot O'Neil

Parish Secretary - Alison McKinnie (Office hours: Tuesday & Thursday 9.00-1.00pm, Friday 9.00-12noon 51 Nether Street, North Finchley, London N12 7NN. Tel: 0208 446 0224

Parish Website - Visit our website for all weekly updates at parish.rcdow.org.uk/finchleynorth

Safeguarding - Claudia Clayman - Email: finchleynorthsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

CHILDRENS LITURGY - Takes place at the Family Mass at 9.30am on Sundays.

REPOSITORY - Open after both Sunday Masses.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISMS: To arrange a baptism please contact Fr Dermot.

FUNERALS: It is normal procedure to first contact your chosen Funeral Director. They will liaise with Fr Dermot.

WEDDINGS: Preparation for marriage: Six months' notice is required. Please contact Fr Dermot.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday from 5.15pm

REGISTRATION IN THE PARISH: Registration forms are available from the porch. Complete and return to the Presbytery. Thank you.

ST BANABAS FOODBANK: Accepts donations of food each Saturday between 9.30 & 12.30. They are open for those in need on Monday's 12.30-2pm. 913 High Road, North Finchley.

NEWSLETTER: If you wish to receive a copy of our weekly newsletter by email, please sign up by using the website e-Alert or, email the parish office to request.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION

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 48 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 14 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year 8 men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This 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. Thank you for your generosity.

MASS INTENTIONS

When requesting a mass please can I ask you to specify if it is intentions or RIP and to print the persons name clearly and your name.

many thanks Alison

REPOSITORY

LOVELY COMMUNION CARDS AND GIFTS CURRENTLY ON SALE IN THE REPOSITORY

First Holy Communion is taking place in our parish next month. We have some amazing communion cards & gifts.

Please visit and support our parish

THANK YOU

We would like to thank everyone who came to our Friday Frugal Brunch during Lent. We raised an amazing £827!

This amount has been donated to Mary's Meals for the earthquake disaster in Turkey and Syra. Thank you again for giving so generously!!



QR CODE

Parish QR code For online donations The church will remain open during the day for private prayer.