

## **Easter Hope**

*So, was it the end? Did the Friday that we call Good Friday mark the end of the Jesus story? Did his followers slink off home, defeated and dispirited? Maybe so, for a couple of days. Then, as the Bible relates, Jesus was raised again to life on the Sunday morning, a new life that somehow broke through all human understanding of what it meant to die.*

*For Christians, the death and resurrection of Jesus lie at the heart of what it means to be truly human. Why? Because Christians believe that every barrier that might be placed between turning evil to good, between lies and truth, between slavery and freedom, and ultimately, between God and humanity, was broken down on that first Easter Sunday morning. For Christians, the Easter story represents hope of a new start, a new direction, a new future and the opportunity to be truly fulfilled humans.*

*There is something for all of us in the Easter story. Every one of us has experienced times when we felt so discouraged, so let down by other people that we felt there was no way out, just like those followers of Jesus on that first Good Friday.*

*It may be that at the moment we all feel a little bit like Jesus' followers – the world seems uncertain and dangerous. **Easter, however, is a story of hope.** Easter tells us that, however bad our situation might appear to be, there is a way forward, even if we can't see it right now. Jesus is alive and with us! Jesus overcame evil and death, so that now we can. Jesus overcame every obstacle, so that now we can. Jesus gave himself fully in love, so that now we can.*

*He is Risen! He is our Hope! Alleluia! Alleluia!*

## **Our Lady of the Visitation Parish**

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**HE IS  
RISEN**

### **Easter Sunday of the Resurrection (Year C)**

**17<sup>th</sup> April 2022**

The readings for this Sunday's Masses start on page 258 of the purple mass books.

***The Easter Novena will start today, 17<sup>th</sup> April, during the 12.00 noon Mass, and will finish on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April.***

## **Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April - The Feast of St. George**

### OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Saturday            9.00 am – 4.00 pm  
Sunday                            10.00 am – 1.30 pm

***Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Easter Monday, 18<sup>th</sup> April, for the Bank Holiday, and will re-open on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April at 9.00 am.***

### MASS TIMES

From Monday to Saturday Mass at 12.00 noon will be streamed online, and on Sundays both the 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm Masses.

**<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/greenford/>**

Saturday – 12.00 noon and 7.00 pm  
Sunday – 8.00 am, 10.00 am, 12.00 noon and 2.00 pm.

Confessions – Saturdays 11.00 am to 12.00 noon.  
and 6.15 pm to 6.45 pm

ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT  
will be in the Church

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday  
from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm,  
and First Friday of the month from 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm.

## **Please Note**

***From next Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> April,  
we will be streaming the 10.00 am  
and the 12.00 noon Mass,  
and NOT the 2.00 pm Mass.***

## ***Friday Retreat***

There will be a retreat on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, led by Fr. Joseph Edattu, from the Divine Retreat Centre, St. Augustine's Abbey, Ramsgate. The retreat will include prayer, praise, adoration and Mass, from 5.00 pm to 9.00 pm, this Friday. All welcome.

## ***Expression of Gratitude***

The family of Sean Foy, and Tony Friary, would like to thank everyone for their support and prayers on Sean's recent death. A Mass will be offered for your intentions on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May, at 7.00 pm.

## ***Funeral Arrangements***

### ***Annette Marie Hackett***

Mass                    10.00 am, Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.

### ***Mary Bernadette McMenamin***

Mass                    1.00 pm, Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation in Breakespear Crematorium.

## ***Advance Notice***

### ***Bridie Geary***

Reception            7.00 pm, Monday 25<sup>th</sup> April, Visitation Church.  
Mass                    1.00 pm, Tuesday 26<sup>th</sup> April, Visitation Church, to be followed by burial in Greenford Park Cemetery.

### ***Ben Phillips***

Mass                    1.00 pm, Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May, Visitation Church.  
More details to be announced.

### ***Margaret Whoriskey***

Reception            7.00 pm, Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, Visitation Church.  
Mass                    1.00 pm, Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> May, Visitation Church, to be followed by cremation in Breakespear Crematorium.

*We extend our sincerest condolences to the families of the deceased,  
and assure them of our support and prayers at this time.*