

**Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony, Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at 2:30pm:**

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 30<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> and 60<sup>th</sup> (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2024. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

**APRIL FOODBANK SHOPPING LIST:**

Breakfast Cereal • Vegetarian Meals - curry, chilli, macaroni cheese etc. • Jam, Honey & Peanut Butter • Savoury Biscuits & Crackers • Long Life Fruit Juice & Squash • Milk – Dairy, Non Dairy & Dried • Tinned Meat & Fish • Tinned Fruit & Vegetables • Mayo, Brown Sauce & Ketchup • Cooking Oil • Shaving Gear – Razors & Foam • Sanitary Towels. Thank you.

**Registration Forms for all Parishioners:** If you live and/or worship in our Parish please ensure that you have registered so that we have your correct contact details. It is essential to be registered if you wish us to be able to support you in your pastoral needs. Please call the Parish Office Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday 10am to 2pm and **make an appointment** as we would like to meet and get to know you.

**SOCIAL CLUB UPCOMING EVENTS**

27 April	Kieran White + Monthly draw
04 May	Shane Owen
11 May	Anton
18 May	Kieran White

**Tickets on sale now for April Draw £1 per ticket.**

**Total Collection: Total: £2517**  
**Envelopes:£329 Loose: £885 Contactless: £313 Standing orders:£990**

**Eucharistic Ministers for Sunday 5th May 2024**  
 Saturday 6.00 pm L. Brennan  
 Sunday 08.00 am A. Sealy  
 10.00 am A. Schlegel, M. Burns, A. Harris  
 12.00 pm E.D A. Darroux

**Readers for Sunday 5th May 2024**  
 Saturday 6.00 pm P. Jarvis  
 Sunday 08.00 am F. Buchan  
 10.00 C. Daly  
 12.00 pm P. Somjen

*From the Parish Register*  
**Congratulations to:**  
**Peace Efughi on the Baptism of her son Nnamdi Kenneth Efughi on Saturday 20 April 2024**



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**28th April 2024 - Fifth Sunday Of Easter - B**



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Christ is risen! He has burst open the gates of hell and let the dead go free; he has renewed the earth through the members of his Church now born again in baptism, and has made it blossom afresh with men brought back to life. His Holy Spirit has unlocked the doors of heaven, which stand wide open to receive those who rise up from the earth. Because of Christ's resurrection the thief ascends to paradise, the bodies of the blessed enter the holy city, and the dead are restored to the company of the living. There is an upward movement in the whole of creation, each element raising itself to something higher. We see hell restoring its victims to the upper regions, earth sending its buried dead to heaven, and heaven presenting the new arrivals to the Lord. In one and the same movement, our Saviour's passion raises men from the depths, lifts them up from the earth, and sets them in the heights.

Christ is risen. His rising brings life to the dead, forgiveness to sinners, and glory to the saints. And so David the prophet summons all creation to join in celebrating the Easter festival: Rejoice and be glad, he cries, on this day which the Lord has made.

The light of Christ is an endless day that knows no night. Christ is this day, says the Apostle; such is the meaning of his words: Night is almost over; day is at hand. He tells us that night is almost over, not that it is about to fall. By this we are meant to understand that the coming of Christ's light puts Satan's darkness to flight, leaving no place for any shadow of sin. His everlasting radiance dispels the dark clouds of the past and checks the hidden growth of vice. The Son is that day to whom the day, which is the Father, communicates the mystery of his divinity. He is the day who says through the mouth of Solomon: I have caused an unfailling light to rise in heaven. And as in heaven no night can follow day, so no sin can overshadow the justice of Christ. The celestial day is perpetually bright and shining with brilliant light; clouds can never darken its skies.

**Mass Intentions Week beginning  
27th April 2024**

<b>Saturday</b>	6.00 pm	People of the Parish	
<b>Sunday</b>	08.00 am	McGreevy Family	Anniv
	10.00 am	Anthony Bantock	RIP
	12.00 noon	Lily McGivney	Sp Int
<b>Monday</b>	10.00 am	Thomas Ryan	Sp Int
<b>Tuesday</b>	10.00 am	Anne Collins	RIP
<b>Wednesday</b>	10.00 am	Lionel Wilkinson	RIP
<b>Thursday</b>		<b>No Mass</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	10.00 am	Patrick Hannon	RIP

**Mass on Holy Days of Obligation:** 10.00 am & 7.00 pm

**Confessions:** Always after Mass and on call anytime.

**Baptisms:** If you are a registered parishioner and have a child for Baptism, (or are expecting one) please contact the Parish Team for information on how to apply for a place on the Baptism Programme. Parents requesting permission for a Baptism to take place abroad will need to have attended a preparation course first.

**Marriage Preparation:** Any registered couple from our parish who are intending getting married in the Catholic Church are asked to note that the Church requires **at least six months notice prior to their wedding date**. Couples need to speak to their Parish priest so as to fill out the forms and also participate in a Marriage Preparation course.

**Readings for this Sunday**

<b>First Reading:</b>	<b>Acts: 9:26-31</b>
<b>Psalms 21</b>	<b>You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.</b>
<b>Second Reading:</b>	<b>1 John 3:18-24</b>
<b>Gospel Acclamation:</b>	<b>Alleluia, alleluia! Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia!</b>
<b>Gospel:</b>	<b>John 15:1-8</b>

In the same way, the light of Christ is eternally glowing with luminous radiance and can never be extinguished by the darkness of sin. This is why John the evangelist says: The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has never been able to overpower it.

And so, my brothers, each of us ought surely to rejoice on this holy day. Let no one, conscious of his sinfulness, withdraw from our common celebration, nor let anyone be kept away from our public prayer by the burden of his guilt. Sinner he may indeed be, but he must not despair of pardon on this day which is so highly privileged; for if a thief could receive the grace of paradise, how could a Christian be refused forgiveness? *(From a sermon by Saint Maximus of Turin, bishop)*

**Elections** are due this coming week (Thursday 2 May) for the London Mayor and Assembly. All Catholics are encouraged to engage in the political process to promote the common good, so don't forget to vote and remember that you need to bring some form of ID with you on Thursday.

**The Cardinal Wiseman School:** will be selling cakes after the 10am & 12pm Masses Sunday 12th May, to raise money for the Redcaps going to Lourdes this summer. There are a total of 11 students attending Lourdes this year as Redcaps to support the needs of those less able than themselves. Please bring **CASH only**. Thank you very much in advance, The Cardinal Wiseman Redcaps.

**Confirmation Session 9:** Monday 29th April at 7pm-8.15pm.

**Three of our parishioners have passed away:**

**Anne Collins' Funeral Mass:** Tuesday

30th April at 10am. The wake reception for the late Anne Collins RIP will be at the parish hall at 1.30pm. All welcome.

**Lionel George Wilkinson's Funeral Mass:** Wednesday 1st May at 10am.

**Patrick Hannon's Funeral Mass:** Friday 3rd May at 10am.

Please pray for the repose of their souls and for their families.

**Saturday Class:** Saturday 4th April at 9.30am- 11.15am.

**First Holy Communion FHC church rehearsal:** Requested children & Parents only Saturday 4th May at 10am.

**First Holy Communion Masses:** Sunday 5th May at 10am and 12pm.

**Mothers & Toddlers Group:** Tues 30th April in the Parish Hall from 9:45am- 11:00am.

**Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Novena:** Every Tuesday after 10 am Mass.

**AA Alcoholics Anonymous:** Thursday at 8pm. Do you know of anyone who needs their help? Please invite him/her to this group that has helped thousands of people across the world to quit drinking!

**Adoration: every Friday (provided there is no funeral) from 9:00 to 9.50am & every Saturday from 5:00 to 5.50pm**

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**Are you feeling lonely?** If you would like someone from our Saint Vincent de Paul group (SVP) to give you a call, please contact the presbytery with your details and we will get back to you.