



### EASTER OFFERINGS

Thank you very much for your generous Easter offerings. Thank you too for the other gifts and cards which were received.

### HOLY PLACES

Thank you for your contributions for the collection on Good Friday for the Holy Places in the Holy Land, £374.08 was donated. Your contributions will be used to help maintain sites in the Holy Land connected with the life of Christ.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

This will resume every Saturday at 5pm - 5.40pm. Confessions are also available between 5pm and 5.30pm.



### LENT GROUPS

Some 80, or so, parishioners took the opportunity to join one of the Lent Groups; and to reflect on 'Divine Renovation' by Fr James Mallon. Fr Mallon reminds us of the task to be missionary disciples, missionary parishes; and he writes of something of the reality of the Church today, and shares what he is doing to address some of the challenges. It has been good to hear the, largely, positive reaction from the groups, and their reflections and suggestions; the book gives us much food for thought.



### COFFEE MORNING

Coffee and tea will be served in the Undercroft on Tuesday morning after the 9.15am Mass, everyone is welcome.



### WALK IN THE PARK



Celebrate 1st May by joining us for a one hour walk in our lovely Rothamsted Park hopefully to see a lovely display of bluebells behind

The Manor House. We leave at 10am outside our Church and go for a coffee after in a nearby cafe. If the weather is bad, it's straight to coffee! Look out for further walks every first Wednesday of the month.

### ALTAR SERVERS

If any Altar Servers are available to serve at our First Holy Communion Masses, please sign up on the sheets in the Sacristy. The Masses are on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May at 11am and 3pm and Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May at 11am.



### livesimply

The Live Simply Group invites everyone to a talk on bees, their worrying decline, the threats they face and what we can all do to help. The talk will take place in the



Undercroft on 4th May at 11.00am. followed by a shared lunch salads/snacks etc.

Next Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May (the first of the month) is our next collection of UHT

milk for the St Albans and District Foodbank. Please leave your cartons in the crates in the porch. Thank you and Laudato Si.

### PARISH RECORD OF VOLUNTEERS

Thank you to everyone who has completed a volunteer form, if you have yet to do this and you are volunteering in whatever capacity eg. reading, church cleaning team member, singing in the choir, counting the collection, etc. Please collect a copy of the form from the back of the church. Once completed please hand in/post to Melanie. Many thanks both for completing the form and, more importantly, for the valuable work you do in the parish.



### DWG BARN DANCE WITH PETE SKIFFINS

Join us on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> May from 7.30pm - 11pm in Lourdes Hall for our Barn Dance. Tickets cost £15 pp and includes Godfrey's Fish and Chips supper. Please bring your own drinks and glasses. Please book your places with Julia on 07891083251 or email [juliaandnigel057@gmail.com](mailto:juliaandnigel057@gmail.com) Numbers will be limited because of the nature of the event so book early. We had a waiting list last time! We look forward to seeing you.



### ENCOUNTERS WITH THE RISEN JESUS CHRIST

Brian Purfield from the Mount Street Jesuit Centre will be leading a series of Post Easter scriptural talks at Sacred

Heart, Berkhamsted starting on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm. For 4 successive Tuesdays, we will reflect on the different post resurrection stories and on those who encountered the Risen Lord. All welcome. for more information: [berkhamsted@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:berkhamsted@rcdow.org.uk)

### THE GOOD COUNCIL NETWORK

The March for Life UK will take place on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> May starting outside Westminster Church House, 25 Great Smith Street London SW1P 3BN at 2pm. There will also be events in the morning from 9.30am for more details see [www.marchforlife.co.uk](http://www.marchforlife.co.uk) Leaflets are also available in the porch.

### HARPENDEN CHILD CONTACT CENTRE

Is holding its AGM at 8.00pm this Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April at All Saints Church, Station Road, Harpenden. The meeting will last about 40 to 60 minutes: the guest speaker is Ann Green, Director of Purple, who will talk about her experiences of working with families. If you know you are coming please email the secretary, Janet, on [jmcameron@ndirect.co.uk](mailto:jmcameron@ndirect.co.uk), or just turn up to learn more about the important work the Centre does in our community. If anyone might be interested in becoming involved in its work please speak to Brigid Brennan on 07881 785299 or email her on [brigid.brennan@virginmedia.com](mailto:brigid.brennan@virginmedia.com).



### A DAY WITH MARY WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

SATURDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2019 A day of instruction, devotion and intercession. Please see the poster in the porch for all the details.