

OUR LADY OF THE HOLY SOULS

Kensal New Town



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – 28TH APRIL 2024

*Filled with the
Consolation of the
Holy Spirit*



MASSES & SERVICES

Sunday 28 Sat 6.00 pm Vigil	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Magdalene Peters (Get Well)	Thursday 2 9:30 am	Saint Athanasius Jimmy Quinn (INT)
9:00 am 11:00 am	People of the Parish Pauline Wong and Kaiser Cheon (INT)	Friday 3 9:30 am	SAINTS PHILIP AND JAMES Margaret & Michael Corcoran (RIP)
Monday 29 9:30 am	SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA Mass	Saturday 4 6.00 pm Vigil	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER All our Parish Volunteers
Tuesday 30 9:30 am	Easter Feria Mass	Sunday 5 9.00 am 11.00 am	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Mary Stangroom (ANV) People of the Parish
Wednesday 1 9.30 am	Easter Feria Bridget Finegan (RIP ANV)	(*There will be Novena Prayer to Our Lady every day, from 27/4 to 5/5, after every Mass.)	

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT Every Saturday 5-6 pm in the church before Mass and during Confessions

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE/ CONFESSIONS, Saturday 5.15pm—5.45pm or by appointment (call 020 3376 4133)

BAPTISMS By appointment. Please see the website for more information, or speak to the Parish Priest. Adults wishing to enquire about the Catholic Faith should speak to the Parish Priest. (For some local Catholic Secondary schools, it is a requirement that your child is baptised within 6 months of birth.)

WEDDINGS For those couples wishing to get married here or elsewhere, it is important that you notify Fr Damian at least 6 months before your wedding date.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK – On request. If you are admitted to Hospital, please indicate that your details are to be passed to the R.C. Chaplain and that you would like the R.C. Chaplain to visit. If any one is in danger of death please call Fr Damian on 020 3376 4134.



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To book a Mass or Lamp Intention, please contact the Parish Office

The Blessed Sacrament Lamp: For all our Parish Volunteers

The Lamp by the Shrine of Our Lady: People of the Parish

The Lamp by the Sacred Heart: The Sick & Housebound

Please pray for the sick: Magdalen Peter

Please pray for all those who have recently died: Richard Moylan

Presbytery: 68 Hazlewood Crescent, London, W10 5DJ. Tel: 020 3376 4133

Parish Office Hours: Tue-Fri 10:00—12:30

Website: parish.rcdow.org.uk/kensalnewtown/

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Parish Sister: Sister Margarita Cunningham

Parish Safeguarding Representative: Marian Kennedy kensalnewtownsg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

Parish Administrator: Kaiser Cheon kensalnewtown@rcdow.org.uk

Parish School: St Mary's East Row, W10 5AW. Head teacher: Ms A Slavin. www.st-marys.rbkc.sch.uk

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TREASURE WHAT IS NEW AND OLD (MT 13:52)

– 11 AM MASS MUSIC

In 2013, the total numbers of people coming to weekly Masses were 600. In 2024, numbers have declined to about 261. We've **lost over 300 people in 11 years!** According to Pope Benedict XVI and the then Cardinal Jorge Bergoglio (Pope Francis), one of the many reasons people stop coming to Mass and practicing their Catholic faith is because they experience their Catholic faith as lacking sufficient relevance for their lives (Aparecida Document, Paragraph 225).

In Mt 13:52, Jesus said ***“Every scribe who has been trained for the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out of his treasure what is new and what is old.”*** I believe now is the time to introduce music that may be of more relevance for many who come to already come to Mass and for those who we are commanded by Jesus to reach (Mt. 28:19). Did you know there is award-winning contemporary (modern) Christian worship music that powerfully engages people – especially many young people?

From **Pentecost Sunday (19th May)**, we will phase in a more contemporary style of recorded music at the **11 am Mass**. This Mass was chosen because it is the family Mass, where more young people are likely to attend with their family, albeit they are welcome at all masses. The hymns/songs may be traditional, or they may be more modern, but the style will be more contemporary (eg, guitars, piano, keyboard, drums, violins, etc). The plan is to phase this in with **two Sundays** of the more contemporary style in **June** and **two Sundays in July**. From **August onwards each 11am Sunday mass** will be exclusively a contemporary style. In time, our hope is to build up a music group in the parish to replace recorded music. At our 9 am Sunday Mass, the plan is to have more traditional hymns and Mass settings, and ideally with organ accompaniment hopefully in time. The Saturday 6 pm Mass will have simple sung Mass settings, and no hymns, maybe with musical accompaniment in time too.

Please support our need to bring out of our ***“treasure what is new and what is old.”*** Do not let our particular musical ‘preferences’ be more important than the ‘needs’ of the people we are trying to reach. Please, invite your favourite non-churchgoing loved ones to the mass that you feel will best connect with them.

LITURGY TECH VOLUNTEERS

The recorded music at the 11 am Mass will have the words projected onto the back wall of the church. We need a team of people who are both tech and liturgically savvy to operate a laptop to change the projected words, and the music. Please, contact Dennis Estrella (starlibra0_3@yahoo.co.uk) for more information.

MUSIC REHEARSAL FOR CONTEMPORARY 11 AM MASSES

To prepare for the new recorded contemporary (modern) music style at the 11 am Masses, we will have a **singing rehearsal at 12:30-1:30 pm Sunday 26th May** in the church. All are welcome. Just turn up!

MAY NOVENA TO OUR LADY

There will be a nine-day Novena prayer to Our Lady, every day, from **Saturday 27th April to Sunday 5th May**, after every Mass (including Monday 29th April). It will culminate after the 11 am Mass on Sunday 5th May. All are welcome.

PENTECOST NOVENA

There will be a nine-day Novena prayer to the Holy Spirit, in preparation for Pentecost. It will be after every Mass from **Friday 10th May until the day of Pentecost Sunday 19th May**. ‘Come, Holy Spirit!’

ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

All altar servers are invited to an altar server training session on **Saturday 8th June 10am-1pm** in the church hall. There will be games, altar server training, Mass, and lunch. This is also open to anyone who has received their 1st Holy Communion and wants to try serving - no long-term commitment necessary. Please, sign up on the notice board confirming your attendance **by Friday 31st May**.

PLANNED GIVING

The planned Giving box of **envelopes for the 24/25 year** is now available. You can collect your planned giving envelopes at the back of church **after the Masses on 27th and 28th April and 4th and 5th May**. Otherwise, the boxes can be collected from the parish office Tue-Fri 10-12:30.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND – THANK YOU

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Envelopes are available in the back of the church, or by contacting the parish office. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information, or to make a donation, visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

FAITH APPS

The following are faith apps to help you grow in faith:

- [Bible in one year](#) (superb Christian Biblical commentary that goes through the whole bible in a year)
- [Hallow](#) (Excellent prayers, rosary, bible, and reflections)
- [Amen](#) (Good for Bible and prayers)
- [Universalis](#) (Great for Mass readings and prayers)

OFFERTORY GIFTS

From the Easter vigil Mass onwards, at every Sunday Mass offertory gifts of bread and wine will be taken up to the altar. Ushers may invite you to actively participate.

ITEMS FOR THE NEWSLETTER: Please make sure that any items you wish to be included in the weekly Newsletter are with the Parish Office by 10.30am on Fridays

JOB VACANCIES WITHIN THE DIOCESE: For more details, go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk>.

GIFT AID: If you are a UK tax payer and wish to Gift Aid your donations, please contact the office or visit the parish website.