**2nd  May 2021 Fifth Sunday of Easter (Year B)**

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| Sun  |  **2nd**  |  | 9:30 | am | Pedro Sanzes ‘A’ | 11.30am Elizabeth & Francis McVeigh ‘A’ |
| Mon  |  **3rd**  |  | 9:30 | am | Comfort Bentil ‘RIP’ |  |
| Tue  |  **4th**  |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Wed  |  **5th**  |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |  |
| Thur  |  **6th**  |  | 9:30 | am | No Service |   |
| Fri  |  **7th** |  | 9:30 | am |  |  |
| Sat  |  **8th**  |  | 6:30 | pm | Marianito Gonzales ‘RIP’ |   |
| Sun  |  **9th**  |  | 9:30 | am | Victoria Enchiea ‘A’ | 11.30am Mary Coy ‘RIP’ |

**Quite a number of our parishioners, relatives and friends, are ill at home or in hospital;** Alex Fernandes, James Otaga, Maura Fitzpatrick, Kathleen Power, Maria Mizaida Ortiz Castro , Maria , Francis Mc Ginley, Ronan Mc Donagh, Agnes Lee, Kimberly Barrett, Hector Salcedo Torrez. Let us keep them in our thoughts and prayers.

**Last Sundays Collection: £443.85 many thanks**

**Date Time Reader Eucharistic Minister**

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| Sat |  **8th**  |  6:30  | pm | Amber Queja  | Not at the moment |
| Sun |  **9th**  |  9:30 | am | Christine Graham  |  “ |
|  |  | 11:30 | am | Isobel Aisuebeogun  |  |

**Church Cleaning** **Rota: see corona virus monitors and cleaner’s rota.**

Over many years much has been accomplished in our parish and more recently, not only in the parish but our involvement in the wider community, putting our ‘Faith into Action’. (Pope Francis reminds us that ‘a faith without works, a faith that does not get involved isn’t faith’). This is shown in our partnership with the ‘Brent Multi Faith Forum’, ‘Sufra Food Bank’, ‘St Raphael’s Edible Garden Scheme’, ‘Phoenix Arch Special School’, ‘Supporting families who are in dire need’, etc.

Over this past extraordinary year, dealing with Cov 19 pandemic, all of us have been affected in many different ways; loss of love ones, Illness, loss of security, work and income, lockdowns etc. All of us have stories to tell. Our parish, as have all parishes, has been affected and also has a story to tell. Over the next few weeks all of us will have the opportunity to find out how our pastoral outreach and mission has been affected due to a considerable drop in income: almost £25,000 over the past year. As we sort out how best we can all respond, I ask that we continue to give the above parish ventures, wholehearted support, particularly with our prayers. Our parish is the primary resource that nourishes our spiritual lives.

Let us always give thanks for all who have bequeathed the parish to us, and endeavour to be faithful to that gift, encouraged by the words of scripture, “be rich in good works, generous and ready to share, thus storing up for themselves the treasure of a good foundation for the future….” 1 Tim 6:16-19. God Bless us All. Fr, Patrick.

**Westminster Diocesan Year Books**. There are still a few of these left. A snip at £5

**FIRST COMMUNION 2021:** Next Meeting: This week **5th May Wednesday**.

**First Confession 8th May at 10am.** For all this year candidates and those left from last year.

**The children will receive Holy Communion for the first time on** **30th May at 11.30am.**

**Signing of Passports:** There has been 100% increase in applications, mainly due to babies now having to have their own passport. **The applicant or a parent must sign the form in the presence of Fr. Patrick**. **Pre-signed forms will not be accepted.** In the past there has been no fee, even though other professions charge**. This will change from today with a suggested donation of £20, which will go to parish funds.**

St Richard Reynolds has a number of teaching (Primary Teacher - September 2021) and support staff (Finance Manager Summer 2021) vacancies. Further details on the website or please contact recruitment@srrcc.org.uk for information.

**Catholic Woman of the Year:** Nominations are invited for the 2021 Catholic Woman of the Year Award. If you know of an ‘unsung heroine’ who cares for the sick or marginalised, visit prisoners, raise funds for charities, clean and maintain parish churches, teach children the Faith, or do any of the 101 things that administers to the present of Christ in the local community and builds up the Christian Community let Fr. Patrick know by outlining the reasons in a letter and details of the nominee’s name and address.

**Priest Training Fund Collection:** Envelopes for this annual collection are available this weekend. If you can Gift Aid your donation that would be great. Collection will be taken-up over the next two weekends at all the Masses.

May Devotion to Our Lady will take place on Sunday 9th May at 3.30pm at the Shrine of Our Lady of Willesden. It will include Holy Rosary and Benediction, with music from the Shrine Singers. Due to Covid Restrictions only a limited number of seats will be available for reservation. The Devotion will be livestreamed. For a link to the livestream and booking of available seats, please visit parish.rcdow.org.uk/Willesden