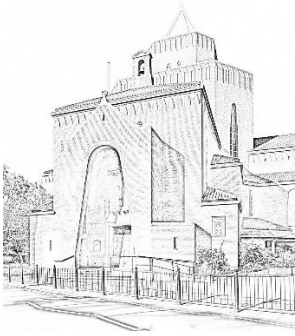


**THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF  
ST MARY & ST JOSEPH, POPLAR  
AND  
OUR LADY IMMACULATE &  
ST FREDERICK, LIMEHOUSE**



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**NEWSLETTER for Easter Sunday 2024**

**Exposition of the Blessed  
Sacrament:**

Saturday 10:30am - 11:30am  
at Poplar

First Fridays 6.00pm - 7.00pm  
at Poplar

**Baptisms**

By appointment. Usually at  
1pm on Saturdays. See the  
newsletter for details of the  
baptism preparation course.



*The Resurrection by  
Pireo della Francesca*

**Confessions:**

Saturday 10:30am - 11:15am  
at Poplar

Saturday 5.15pm - 5.45pm  
at Poplar

1st Fridays 6.00pm - 6.45pm  
at Poplar

or by appointment

**Marriages**

Six months 'notice is  
normally required.

Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> Mar	Easter Vigil	7.00pm	Poplar + L'house	The People of the Parish
Sun 31 <sup>st</sup> Mar	Easter Sunday	10.00am	Poplar	Private Intention
		12noon	Limehouse	Catherine Jayaseelan Family
Mon 1 <sup>st</sup> Apr	Easter Monday			No Mass
Tue 2 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	Easter Tuesday	10.00am	Poplar	Di Ross ( <i>Int</i> )
			Canary Wharf*	No Mass
Wed 3 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	Easter Wednesday	10.00am	Poplar	Jo Duhig ( <i>Anniv</i> )
Thu 4 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter Thursday	10.00am	Poplar	Savitha ( <i>Int</i> )
Fri 5 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter Friday	10.00am	Poplar	Priest's Intention
Sat 6 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Easter Saturday	10.00am	Poplar	Peace

\* = In the multi-faith prayer room in the Churchill Place Shopping Centre opposite the post office.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

Glennford St Prix, Merle John-Baptiste, Peter Hill and Baby Royce D' Souza who have died recently. Please also pray for Scarlett Ebio, one of the children from our First Holy Communion course who is ill in hospital.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION COURSE**

The next meeting for children and parents is on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 4.30pm in the Guild Room.

**CONFIRMATION COURSE**

The next meeting for Confirmation candidates is on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 6.45pm in the Guild Room.

**PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

These are now available from the Parish Office. Please contact the office to arrange collection so that you can verify the details we have for you since a lot of the details we have are out of date.

**FR ANDREW WRITES**

I just want to take this opportunity to say a very big thank you to everyone who helped to make our Holy Week and Easter liturgies at both Poplar and Limehouse so beautiful. There are too many people to name here and I know that many of you prefer to do what you do quietly but please know that all your efforts are greatly appreciated.

I also want to thank every member of both parishes for their participation and commitment to the building up of our communities throughout the year. Again there are so many people who do so many things some little and unseen and others more obvious but you really are all appreciated. So thank you.

A big congratulations to our RCIA group who were either baptised or received into the full communion of church and confirmed at the Easter Vigil at Poplar. I am sure you will all join me in welcoming them as full members of our communities now. Their journey of exploration of the faith with Sr Christine will continue after Easter.

During Easter Week the parish office will be closed so please be patient as it may take me a little longer therefore to respond to emails etc... But I will remain in residence until the following week when I will go away for a few days on the inside of the week.

Happy Easter and God bless you all.

*Fr Andrew*

## RECENT FINANCIAL NEWS

### POPLAR OFFERTORY LAST SUNDAY

Envelopes: £167.35	Loose: £577.70	Contactless: £145.56	Total: £890.61
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### STANDING ORDERS

December: £543.34

January: £513.34

### LIMEHOUSE OFFERTORY LAST SUNDAY

Envelopes: £45.00	Loose: £173.16	Contactless: £247.75	Total: £465.91
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### STANDING ORDERS

December: £1'507.00

January: £1'507.00

Sincere thanks for your continued generosity!

## The Easter Sequence

Christians, to the Paschal Victim  
offer sacrifice and praise.

The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb;  
and Christ, the undefiled,  
hath sinners to his Father reconciled.

Death with life contended:  
combat strangely ended!

Life's own Champion, slain,  
yet lives to reign.

Tell us, Mary:  
say what thou didst see  
upon the way.

The tomb the Living did enclose;

I saw Christ's glory as he rose!

The angels there attesting;  
shroud with grave-clothes resting.

Christ, my hope, has risen:  
he goes before you into Galilee.

That Christ is truly risen  
from the dead we know.

Victorious king, thy mercy show!

Items for the Newsletter should be given to Fr Andrew or Alessandro at the parish office by Wednesday evening for inclusion the following weekend.

**First reading** Acts 10:34,37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses, we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead, and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

**Response to the Psalm** Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Second reading** Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed – and he is your life – you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

**The Easter Sequence – (see overleaf)**

**Gospel Acclamation** 1Cor5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ, our passover, has been sacrificed: let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. Alleluia!

**Gospel** John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

Hymns for Sunday 10am at Poplar		Hymns for Sunday 12noon at Limehouse	
Entrance	268 - Alleluia, Alleluia	Entrance	
Offertory	277 - Easter glory fills the sky	Offertory	
Communion	278 - Now the green blade riseth	Communion	
Recessional	287 - Thine be the glory	Recessional	