

**Newsletter for the Parishes of:**  
**St Mary, Our Lady of Walsingham, London Colney (LC)**  
**St Anthony of Padua (RA) &**  
**The Good Shepherd, Shenley (SH)**



**EASTER SUNDAY—THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD—2 WEEK NEWSLETTER**

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**Radlett-Mass Live Stream:** <https://www.churchservices.tv/radlett>  
**Sacrament of Reconciliation:** **Saturday** 4.30-4.50pm @SH  
**Sunday** 9.30-9.50am @RA & 11.10-11.25am @LC



*Fr Kevin wishes to thank all those who have been kind enough to send good wishes, cards and gifts to him for Easter and Mass will be offered for your intentions.*

*Deacon Anthony and Deacon Tony join Fr Kevin in wishing you a Happy & Holy Easter*

**Christ is Risen! Alleluia! : Si Kristo ay nabuhay! Aleluya! : Cristo ha resucitado! Aleluja!**

**Bishop Paul McAleenan**

Bishop Paul McAleenan will be coming to celebrate the 10.00am Mass at Radlett on Easter Sunday. All are invited to join Bishop Paul for tea and coffee and a sweet Easter treat after Mass.

**Volunteer appeal: Tea & Coffee after 10am Mass & 11.30am Mass**

Get to know other parishioners over a cuppa. Please join us for tea and coffee after Mass this Sunday and every Sunday.

If you are available to help with tea and coffee after Mass, at either Radlett or London Colney, please add your name to the sign up sheet at the back of church. Thank you.

**Prayer Intention Box at London Colney**

As suggested during a parish conversation at London Colney, beginning next weekend, 7th April, parishioners will be able to write a prayer intention and pop it into our new prayer intention box. This box will then be brought up at the Offertory during Mass. Prayer intention sheets can be found at the back of the church.

**Big Lunch & Tombola**

All parishioners are kindly invited to partake in our church community Big Lunch straight after 11.30am Mass at London Colney on Sunday 21st April. We kindly ask that parishioners bring cold finger food (homemade or bought) for all of us to share. Hot drinks will be provided. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible. We will be holding our Spring Tombola at the same time.

**Easter Offering**

The Easter Offering, that is the collections taken at the Easter Vigil and the Masses on Sunday, form part of Fr Kevin's income. The Digital Collection Plate is also available for you to use. Fr Kevin thanks you for your continued generosity.

**Parish Office Closure for Easter**

Please note the parish office will be closed on Good Friday and will not reopen until Monday 8th April. Voicemails and/or emails will not be checked during this period. Wishing you and your families a very happy and holy Easter!

**Kristu wakam uka. Alleluia! : Kristus vstal zmrtvy'ch! Aleluja! : Cristo è risorto! Alleluia!**

*Mass Intentions - Saturday 30th March to Friday 12th April 2024*

**Sat 30th March**  
**LC @ 7.30pm**

Easter Vigil  
Mass

**Sun 31st March**  
**SH @ 8.30am**

Pro Populo

**RA @ 10.00am**

Mary Stockdale  
R.I.P.

**LC @ 11.30am**  
Giovanni Ferrara  
R.I.P.

**Mon 1st April**  
**LC @ 10.00am**

Private Intention

**Tues 2nd April**

No Mass

**Wed 3rd April**  
**SH @ 9.30am**

Regis Francois  
R.I.P.

**Thurs 4th April**  
**LC @ 11.00am**

Patrick &  
Frances Swift  
R.I.P.

**Fri 5th April**

No Mass

**Sat 6th April**

**SH @ 5.00pm**

Margaret &  
Patrick Graven  
R.I.P.

**Sun 7th April**

**RA @ 10.00am**

Sister  
Bernadette  
Hunston  
Intention

**LC @ 11.30am**

Pro Populo

**Mon 8th April**

**LC @ 10.00am**

Kenneth Duffy  
R.I.P.

**Tues 9th April**

**RA @ 12.00pm**

Sherva Cooray  
R.I.P.

**Wed 10th April**

**SH @ 9.30am**

Michelle  
McGuinness  
Intention

**Thurs 11th April**

**LC @ 12.00pm**

Roisin  
McDonnell  
Intention

**Fri 12th April**

No Mass

**Liturgy**

1st Reading: Acts 10:34, 37–43  
Psalm 118:1–2, 16–17, 22–23  
2nd Reading: Colossians 3:1–4

**Gospel Reflection: John 20:1–9**

The tomb was empty. In the early morning darkness of that first Easter, there was only confusion for Mary Magdalene and the other disciples. But as the daylight spread, they saw the dawning of a new creation.

At first they didn't understand the Scripture, today's Gospel tells us. We don't know which precise Scripture texts they were supposed to understand. Perhaps it was the sign of Jonah, who rose from the belly of the great fish after three days (see [Jonah 1:17](#)). Or maybe Hosea's prophecy of Israel's restoration from exile (see [Hosea 6:2](#)). Perhaps it was the psalmist who rejoiced that God had not abandoned him to the netherworld (see [Psalm 16:9–10](#)).

Whichever Scripture it was, as the disciples bent down into the tomb, they saw and they believed. What did they see? Burial shrouds in an empty tomb. The stone removed from the tomb.

Seven times in nine verses we hear that word—"tomb." We are children of the apostles, born into the new world of their witness. Our lives are now "hidden with Christ in God," as today's Epistle says. Like them, we gather in the morning on the first day of the week—to celebrate the Eucharist, the feast of the empty tomb.

We rejoice that the stones have been rolled away from our tombs, too. Each of us can shout, as we do in today's Psalm: "I shall not die, but live." They saw and believed. And we await the day they promised would come—when we, too, "will appear with Him in glory."

Scott Hahn

**Khristus Zmartvikstau! Alleluja! : Cristo resuscitou! Aleluia! : Kristus vstal zmr'tvych! Aleluja!**

Loose plate collection w/e 23/24 March: (includes Easter Flowers collection)

LC: £506.94 SH: £194.21 RA: £260.24 + Contactless RA & LC: £167.15

Thank you for your generosity. You can donate at LC & RA via contactless or visit our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/radlett/donate>



## PARISH REMINDERS



### COVID 19

#### PREVENTATIVE PRACTICES

To continue to create a safe environment in our churches:

- ◆ Hand sanitisers will be available at the entrances and exits of the churches, use of which whilst optional, is encouraged.
- ◆ Wearing of face masks in the churches is optional.
- ◆ Ministers of Communion will continue to use hand sanitisers

### FOOD BANK

The Churches Together Food Bank is grateful for all donations. We would welcome the following items (soups / big soups, toilet rolls, tinned sweetcorn, peas, carrots, potatoes, jelly / sponge puddings, long life milk, biscuits, flour, sugar)

### MASS OFFERINGS

Please use either your own envelope, the mass intentions envelope or telephone the parish office stating if it is "RIP" or "Intentions of". Place in collection basket or send to the Radlett postal address. Please remember to include your contact details.

### EMAIL

If you know someone who doesn't receive this newsletter, please encourage them to contact the parish office with their email details in order that we can add them to the distribution list

### VOLUNTEERS

We continue to require volunteers to assist with the stewarding, counting and banking cash, arranging flowers, assisting with the foodbank etc. If you can devote some of your free time, please contact the parish office

### DONATIONS

Since the pandemic began, the income for our parishes has been severely hit and collections during Sunday Mass have commenced again. Your offerings allow us to run our parishes, pay the heating, lighting, maintenance costs etc. In addition to the Sunday collection, the various additional donation methods are outlined below. ***It would really help the parish if you would make your regular offering via standing order*** as this reduces the need for volunteers to count and bank the monies (time consuming) and employing a carrier to transport the cash to the Bank (expensive)

***Standing Orders*** - you remain in complete control and can cancel / decrease / increase your offering at any time. Please contact the parish office for a standing order form

***Gift Aid*** - By adding Gift Aid (if you are a UK tax payer) to your regular offering, for every £1.00 you donate, the Government gives us 25p at no extra cost to you. Please contact the parish office for a gift aid form

***Digital Collection Plates (LC & RA)*** - similar to paying for your groceries. All you need is your debit / credit card or phone and you can tap and donate whatever amount you wish to. Stewards will be available to assist in case of need and you can also use this facility to make candle donations and for some second collections

***Planned Giving Envelopes*** - whilst we continue to provide this option, please help us to reduce the very expensive parish costs of printing & providing envelopes and employing a carrier to transport the cash by switching to standing order. Please contact the Parish Office, Fr Kevin or the Deacons for a form

***Thank you to everyone who has donated and continues to donate to the parish funds. Your support and generosity is never taken for granted and your offerings are truly appreciated***