

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



Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st April — FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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Sacrament of Reconciliation: **Saturday** 4.30-4.50pm @SH
Sunday 9.30-9.50am @RA & 11.10-11.25am @LC

PARISH NOTICES

MASS

INTENTIONS

**Sat 20th Apr
SH @ 5:00pm**
Paul Portelli
R.I.P.

**Sun 21st Apr
RA @ 10:00am**
Pro Populo

**Sun 21st Apr
LC @ 11:30am**
Michele Di Maio
R.I.P.

**Mon 22nd Apr
LC @ 10.00am**
Dcn Anthony Clark
R.I.P.

**Tues 23rd Apr
RA @ 8.30am**
Frank Florentine
R.I.P.

**Weds 24th Apr
SH @ 9.30am**
Michael Di Castro
Intention

Thurs 25th Apr
No Mass

Fri 26th Apr
No Mass

**SANCTUARY LAMP
DEDICATIONS**

@RA for the Holy
Souls

@SH

@LC Thanksgiving

**2nd Collection
for Priest Training Fund**

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. Please be as generous as you can.

Catherine Treves Brown R.I.P.

It is with sadness that I announce the passing of Catherine Treves Brown. The Funeral Mass for Catherine will be held at Radlett on Thursday 2nd May at 11.00am followed by committal at West Herts Crematorium. We offer our condolences and prayers to Catherine's family at this time.

The Ascension of The Lord

To help you fulfil your Holy Mass obligations for the Solemnity of the Ascension of The Lord, Mass times will be as follows: Shenley on Wednesday 8th May at 7.00pm and on Thursday 9th May at London Colney at 10.00am and at Radlett at 7.00pm. Mass times can also be found on our events calendar on the website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/radlett/events/>

Pilgrimage to Walsingham

We are looking to book a coach for a pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 21st September. Please register your interest by emailing radlett@rcdow.org.uk, indicating how many seats you require. We anticipate the cost of coach travel will be £25 per person.

Volunteer Appeal!

We are still looking to fill the following volunteer positions:

A Safeguarding representative from all three parishes.

A First Aider at Radlett

A Data Protection representative at Radlett

A Health & Safety representative at Radlett and Shenley.

Please contact the parish office if you are able to help in any way. Thank you.

Big Lunch & Tombola

A reminder that we will be holding our parish Big Lunch this Sunday straight after 11.30am Mass at London Colney. We will be holding our Spring Tombola and a clothes sale at the same time and all money raised will go towards fundraising for Richeldis Hall. Thank you.

Liturgy of the Word with Children

This weekend we welcome back Children's Liturgy at London Colney. Our main goal is to educate and inform children until they are ready to participate in the Mass alongside the adults. Please note this is not a creche and any young children must be supervised by parents.

Friday Night Social

Get to know other parishioners over a cuppa. We will be holding our first Friday night social in Richeldis Hall, London Colney on Friday 17th May, from 7.30pm till 9.30pm. All are welcome.

LITURGY

First Reading

Acts 4:8-12

The name of Jesus Christ is the only name in which we can be saved

Responsorial Psalm

117(118):1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29

2nd Reading

1 John 3:1-2

We shall be like God because we shall see him as he really is

Gospel Acclamation

Jn10:14

Gospel

John 10:11-18

The good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep

GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

The good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep. 'I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock, and one shepherd. 'The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

Universalis

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Jesus, in today's Gospel, says that He is the good shepherd the prophets had promised to Israel. He is the shepherd-prince, the new David—who frees people from bondage to sin and gathers them into one flock, the Church, under a new covenant, made in His blood (see Ezekiel 34:10–13, 23–31).

His flock includes other sheep, He says, far more than the dispersed children of Israel (see Isaiah 56:8; John 11:52). And He gave His Church the mission of shepherding all peoples to the Father.

In today's First Reading, we see the beginnings of that mission in the testimony of Peter, whom the Lord appointed shepherd of His Church (see John 21:15–17).

Peter tells Israel's leaders that the Psalm we sing today is a prophecy of their rejection and crucifixion of Christ. He tells the "builders" of Israel's temple that God has made the stone they rejected the cornerstone of a new spiritual temple, the Church (see Mark 12:10–13; 1 Peter 2:4–7).

Through the ministry of the Church, the shepherd still speaks (see Luke 10:16), and forgives sins (see John 20:23), and makes His body and blood present, that all may know Him in the breaking of the bread (see Luke 24:35). It is a mission that will continue until all the world is one flock under the one shepherd.

In laying down His life and taking it up again, Jesus made it possible for us to know God as He did—as sons and daughters of the Father who loves us. As we hear in today's Epistle, He calls us His children, as He called Israel His son when He led them out of Egypt and made His covenant with them (see Exodus 4:22–23; Revelation 21:7).

Today, let us listen for His voice as He speaks to us in the Scriptures, and vow again to be more faithful followers. And let us give thanks for the blessings He bestows from His altar.

Scott Hahn

Loose plate collection w/e 13th/14th April

LC:£214.45 SH:£194.30 RA:£172.21 + Contactless RA & LC: £102.75

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



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