

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 4th & Sunday 5th May — SIXTH 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 4th May
SH @ 5:00pm
Pro Populo

Sun 5th May
RA @ 10:00am
John Livesey R.I.P.

Sun 5th May
LC @ 11:30am
Kannimah Krishnam
1st Anniversary
R.I.P.

Mon 6th May
No Mass

Tues 7th May
No Mass

Weds 8th May
SH @ 9.30am
Graca Saltao R.I.P.

Weds 8th May
SH @ 7.00pm
Pro Populo

Thurs 9th May
LC @ 10.00am
Patricia Daley
Forgiveness & Mercy

Thurs 9th May
RA @ 7.00pm
Del & Yani
Intention

Fri 10th May
No Mass

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: Wed 8th May at 7.00pm
London Colney: Thurs 9th May at 10.00am
Radlett: Thurs 9th May at 7.00pm

Funeral Mass for Pasquale Landolfi R.I.P.

The Funeral Mass for Pasquale Landolfi will be held at Radlett at 10.00am on Monday 13th May followed by burial at Christ Church. We offer our condolences and prayers to Pasquale's family and loved ones at this time.

Our Lady of Fatima Procession

On Sunday 19th May there will be a procession in honour of Our Lady of Fatima at the 11.30am Mass at London Colney followed by tea/coffee and cake in the Richeldis Hall. All are welcome.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham

Please contact the parish office to book your seat on the coach for the Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham on Saturday 21st September. Cost will be £25 per person. Please see poster at the back of church for more details. Book now to avoid disappointment.

Faith Sessions

We are going to start some faith sessions, where we can discuss and improve our understanding of the faith. This will be open to all parishioners from all 3 parishes and especially to those who are starting on a journey of faith. The sessions will run weekly on a Monday at the Richeldis Hall London Colney, from the beginning of June. Further details will be given nearer the time. To register interest please contact Deacon Tony: tonybarter@rcdow.org.uk or 07711894244.

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.

Volunteer Appeal!

We are still looking to fill the following volunteer positions:

A Safeguarding representative from all three parishes.

@ Radlett: First Aider, Health & Safety, and Data Protection rep

@ Shenley: Health & Safety rep

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

DEDICATION OF THE BLESSED SANCTUARY LAMP:

@RA Nick & Mai Redmond R.I.P. @SH Private Intention @LC Connie & Frank Intention

LITURGY

First Reading

Acts 10:25-26,
34-35,44-48

*The pagans have
received the Holy
Spirit just as much
as we have*

**Responsorial
Psalm**

97(98):1-4

2nd Reading

1 John 4:7-10

*Let us love one
another, since
love comes from
God*

**Gospel
Acclamation**

Jn14:23

Gospel

John 15:9-17

*You are my
friends if you do
what I command
you*

GOSPEL

John 15:9-17

*You are my friends if you
do what I command you*

Jesus said to his disciples:
'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me: no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

Universalis

GOSPEL REFLECTION

God is love, and He revealed that love in sending His only Son to be a sacrificial offering for our sins.

In these words from today's Epistle, we should hear an echo of the story of Abraham's offering of Isaac at the dawn of salvation history. Because Abraham obeyed God's command and did not withhold his only beloved son, God promised that Abraham's descendants, the children of Israel, would be the source of blessing for all nations (see Genesis 22:16-18).

We see that promise coming to fulfillment in today's First Reading. God pours out His Spirit upon the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, as they listen to the word of Peter's preaching. Notice they receive the same gifts received by the devout Jews who heard Peter's preaching at Pentecost—the Spirit comes to rest upon them and they speak in tongues, glorifying God (see Acts 2:5-11).

In His love today, God reveals that His salvation embraces the house of Israel and peoples of all nations. Not by circumcision or blood relation to Abraham but by faith in the Word of Christ, sealed in the Sacrament of Baptism, people are to be made children of Abraham, heirs to God's covenants of promise (see Galatians 3:7-9; Ephesians 2:12).

This is the wondrous work of God that we sing of in today's Psalm. It is the work of the Church, the good fruit that Jesus chooses and appoints His Apostles for in today's Gospel. As Peter raises up Cornelius today, the Church continues to lift all eyes to Christ, the only one in whose name they can find salvation.

In the Church, each of us has been begotten by the love of God. But the Scriptures today reveal that this divine gift brings with it a command and a duty. We are to love one another as we have been loved. We are to lay down our lives in giving ourselves to others—that they too might find friendship with Christ and new life through Him.

Scott Hahn

Loose plate collection w/e 27th/28th April (includes First Holy Communion Mass)

LC: £652.08 SH: £148.33 RA: £188.56 + Contactless RA & LC: £125.38

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



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.

DEDICATION OF BLESSED SANCTUARY LAMP

Please contact the parish office if you would like to dedicate a Sanctuary lamp for your intention, at either Radlett, Shenley or London Colney. Suggested donation is £7 for the week.

VOLUNTEERS

We continue to require volunteers to assist with the counting and banking cash, arranging flowers, assisting with the foodbank etc.

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FOOD BANK

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

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

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

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