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Mass this Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter (A) 7th May 2017

Acts 2:14. 36-41 In a loud voice Peter proclaims that the one who was crucified is the Christ.

1 Peter 2:20-25 Christ Jesus leaves an example. Through his wounds we are healed.

John 10:1-10 Jesus uses the images of shepherd, sheep and sheepfold to show his love for us.

Mass this week

			<i>Intention</i>
Saturday 6 th	6:30pm		Sr Catherine (Intention)
Sunday 7 th	9:00am		Carol McGrinder (RIP)
	10:30am		For Our Parishioners
Tuesday 9 th	7:30pm	Easter Weekday	Lois Stewart (anniv)
Wednesday 10 th	9:15am	Easter Weekday	Sr Catherine (Intention)
Thursday 11 th	9:15am	Easter Weekday	Sr Veronica (Intention)
Friday 12 th	9:15am	Easter Weekday	Alexander Henderson & Joy Skinner (Intention)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 5:45pm or by appointment.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for **The First Holy Communion Children**

Last Week's Offertory This amounted to £606.71
Many thanks for all your generosity. We also receive approx £300 each week in bank standing orders from parishioners.

Text Giving If you wish to support the parish by giving £5 via your mobile 'phone, just text PARISH ROYST to 70800.

First Holy Communion Masses Congratulations to **JOSEPH SHEPHERD, EDWARD HENDERSON, ANDREW LIWAK, NATHAN KINSELLA, ARTHUR BARBER, JAMES GRIFFIN & CONOR HANCOCK** who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend. Please note that the 10.30am Mass for the next three Sundays will be our First Holy Communion Masses.

Finance Committee Our Parish Finance Committee will meet at 7:45pm in the Presbytery on Thursday 11th May. Anyone interested is welcome to attend.

Priest Training Fund Collection Today's second collection is for the annual Priest Training Fund. The Fund helps pay for the training of seminarians (we currently have 39), the education of priests for special ministries, and ongoing enrichment to strengthen priests. Your gift helps ensure we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate

their lives serving the Church. Please be as generous as you can. Please also pray for vocations; please take home a prayer card for vocations. If you do not have a donation leaflet, plenty are still available at the back of church. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations

Holy Fathers Prayer Intentions for May : Christians in Africa That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

CWL Meeting The next meeting takes place on Monday night in the Parish Hall at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

Cake Sale The CWL will be selling cakes outside church **next** weekend between the Sunday morning Masses. Any donations of cakes or produce to our stall would be greatly appreciated. All monies made will be added to the Christian Aid collection.

The House of Prayer meets on Thursday mornings, 10 till 12, at 52 Cherry Drive. New members most welcome.

Caritas Volunteer Service Caritas Westminster has recently launched the Caritas Volunteer Service, a one-stop-shop for volunteering in the Catholic

community. The site is a free matching service that enables potential volunteers to search for roles based on a number of factors. If your parish has any projects needing volunteers then please contact Verity Sykes at caritasvol@rcdow.org.uk
CTS Booklets for 'Called to Serve the Sick'
To accompany the 'Called to Serve the Sick' season of prayer, CTS have published two new A6 booklets for hospital ministry:

Migrants' Mass The annual Migrants' Mass in honour of St Joseph the Worker takes place Saturday, 20th May at St Antony of Padua, Forest Gate, E7 9QB. Hosted by the Diocese of Brentwood, the Mass will be celebrated by Bishop Alan Williams SM. Banners assemble at 10.30 on the Priory Lawn; Mass begins at 11 am.

The Calix Society offers a Catholic ministry to alcoholics/addicts in recovery and their families, deepening faith and sharing the healing mercy of God. Calix embodies the Catholic Church's growing emphasis on the New Evangelization. Visitors from all 12-step programmes are welcome. For details, visit www.calixsociety.org.uk or email calixsjw@btinternet.com
They also seek the support of priests, deacons and lay people who have personal or professional experience in the journey of the 12-step programme of recovery. For details, visit www.calixsociety.org.uk or email calixsjw@btinternet.com or telephone 07762 570361.

Vocations Promotions Events

We have held three successful events at the Servite Church, Fulham Road, Enfield Parish and Hounslow Parish. All our evenings were well attended and we met some men thinking about the priesthood. The next Vocations evening take place Sunday 14th May at Holy Rood, Watford at 5pm.

Men wanting to know more about the **permanent diaconate** are invited to a two-hour meeting from 10am to 12 noon on:

21st May: Sacred Heart and St Joseph, Ware
No booking needed. Wives welcome. For details, contact Deacon Adrian Cullen on 07961 594725 or Deacon Anthony Clark on 07545 373548.

Mental Health Workshops *Welcome Me as I Am*, with support from local *MIND* groups and *Caritas Westminster*, will hold four workshops across the diocese this spring, covering a number of topics including: spirituality and mental health, working with common mental health issues, and how to signpost to local support. Each day will be tailored to the needs of the local area. There will also be time to explore how your parish can become a welcoming community. The workshops will be held from 10am to 3pm at the following:

13th May: Vaughan House 17th June: St John Fisher, North Harrow
1st July: Our Lady Queen of Apostles, Welwyn Garden City

For more information and to RSVP please email caritaswestminster@rcdow.org.uk.

Studying in the sixth form at The John Henry

Newman School I am delighted to announce that, due to the consolidation of numbers in the Sixth Form a small number of places have become available to study from September 2017. If you would like the opportunity to achieve your very best at Level 3 study whilst being fully prepared for Higher Education or employment and enjoy the vast array of enrichment opportunities that make our school such a wonderful community then please contact Mrs W Howard, Director of Sixth Form on 01438 314643 or email howardw@jhn.herts.sch.uk

Cleaning Rota Monday – Sutha Friday Monica



It is our joy to welcome young people to their first Holy Communion at the 10:30am Masses on each of the Sundays in May.

The young people have worked hard and their parents have supported them very well throughout their preparation. Please hold all these families in your prayers.

Please note that this year we have a very large group of candidates. This will mean that space at the 10:30am Mass will be very limited. If you would normally attend the 10:30am Mass, please, if you are able, come to either the 9am Sunday morning Mass or the Saturday 6:30pm Vigil Mass during this period.

Thank you for your understanding and support

