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Mass this Sunday: Fifth Sunday in Lent (C) 3rd April 2022

Today's Readings

Isaiah 43:16-21 One phrase among many from this magnificent reading jumps out at us when God says, "there is no need to think about what was done before".

Philippians 3:8-14 Paul reflects on what God's forgiveness means for us.

John 8:1-11 A woman who has been caught in the act of committing a serious sin is not condemned by Jesus. Instead, she is told to go and sin no more.

Mass This Week

Saturday 2nd 6:30pm

Sunday 3rd 9:00am

10:30am

Tuesday 4th 7:30pm Lent Feria

Wednesday 6th 9:15am Lent Feria

Thursday 7th 9:15am Lent Feria

7:30pm Penitential Service

Friday 8th 9:15am Lent Feria

Intention

For our keeping of Holy Week

In Thanksgiving – Lawrie & Annette

Ferne 40th Wedding Anniversary

For Our Parishioners

Ukraine

Health Care Workers

Pentients

Families

The Sanctuary Lamp burns In memory of Alice Bristow (RIP)

The Sacrament of Reconciliation may be celebrated during exposition (5:30pm Saturday) or by appointment.

Please note: Morning Prayer will be at 9am and Evening Prayer at 5:30pm most weekdays.

Stations of the Cross will be prayed each Friday in Lent at 9:45am.

Lent Penitential Service we will have an opportunity to celebrate God's mercy and compassion together at our Parish Penitential Service Thursday 7th April 7:30pm

Synod The latest information about the progress of the synodal pathway can be found at <https://rcdow.org.uk/news/pre-synodal-diocesan-gathering/>

Leading Stations of the Cross We are still short of volunteers to lead Stations on Friday 8th April.

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions – April

Health Care Workers We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Holy Week is getting very close indeed!

This should be a much more normal Holy Week with far fewer restrictions than recently. We are very aware that many people will be on holiday this year, especially after the limits on travel over the last two years. However, we also have a very pressing need for many volunteers in the most intensive period of the Liturgical year.

So far we have had very few volunteers. Because there are so many gaps the timetable of events must be considered provisional. Unless more people come forward we shall have to truncate our programme.

We need servers and readers and volunteers for the footwashing, eucharistic ministers, singers and musicians, cleaners, flower arrangers and more. There is a sign up list for on the noticeboard and online at:

https://docs.google.com/document/d/1qQRUSdTGs5ebiJw-PjqKDz045HkiS_3OA4LLbfah3Uc/edit?usp=sharing Please help.

Missio Red Boxes It is time for red box holders to empty their box. Envelopes are available in the Sacristy and at the back of church. Please take one, empty your box and return to the Sacristy. Thank you for your continued support and prayer

CWL Easter Hamper Raffle We will be selling raffle tickets for our Easter Hamper Raffle, together with our Easter Bunnies and Chicks, outside church after Saturday evening Mass and between the two Sunday morning Masses **this weekend**. We will draw the raffle at our meeting on Monday, 11th April, and winners will be notified.

Ukrainian Refugee Support Churches Together in Royston and District has set up a working group to coordinate the churches' response to the Ukrainian refugee crisis. Co-ordinator Revd Jim Dalgleish; 07972 617622; james.dalgleish@talk21.com

Holy Week 2022 (Provisional Programme)

Palm/Passion Sunday

Saturday 6:30pm Mass
Sunday 9:00am Mass 10:30am Procession and Mass
Evening Prayer (Student Cross) 5:30pm

Monday of Holy Week 9:15am Mass

Tuesday of Holy Week 9:15am

Wednesday of Holy Week 9:15am

Holy Thursday 8:00pm Mass of The Lord's Supper
Watch by Altar of Repose in Martyrs' Chapel
10:45pm Night Prayer

Good Friday 10:30am Ecumenical Stations/ Walk of Witness starting at Queens's Rd
Methodist Church

12 noon Children's Stations

3:00pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available after the Liturgy

6pm Stations of the Cross

Holy Saturday 8:30pm EASTER VIGIL

Easter Sunday 6:30am Sunrise Service,
East end of St John's Church

9am Mass of Easter Day

10:30am Mass of Easter Day