

23 APR – 3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

First reading: Acts 2:14,22-33

God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to this

Second reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21

Your ransom was paid in the precious blood of Christ

Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

They recognised him at the breaking of bread



We meet Jesus on a daily basis in our life's journey.

Do we recognize the Risen Lord in his word and in the breaking of the bread? Jesus chided the disciples on the road to Emmaus for their slowness of heart to believe what the Scriptures

had said concerning the Messiah. They did not recognize the risen Jesus until he had broken bread with them.

Do our hearts burn when we listen to the risen Lord in the Bible? Christ comes to us most clearly in the Word. Vatican II (Dei Verbum 21) tells us that Jesus is to be equally venerated in the Eucharist and in the Bible. Therefore, we need to study the Bible, learn the Bible, pray with the Bible, memorize the Bible, meditate on the word of God with burning zeal, and practice what the Bible teaches.

We pray,

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SUNDAY, 23-Apr **3rd SUNDAY OF EASTER**
Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm
4.00pm – *Syro-Malabar Rite Mass*

MONDAY, 24-Apr **ST GEORGE, Martyr, Patron of England**
Mass: 9.30am

TUESDAY, 25-Apr **ST MARK, Evangelist**
Mass: 9.30am & 6.30pm

WEDNESDAY, 26-Apr Mass: 9.30am

THURSDAY, 27-Apr Mass: 9.30am & 6.30pm

FRIDAY, 28-Apr Mass: 12.00noon

SATURDAY, 29-Apr **ST CATHERINE OF SIENA, Virgin & Doctor**
Mass: 9.30am
6.30pm – *Sunday Vigil Mass*

SUNDAY, 30-Apr **4th SUNDAY OF EASTER**
Mass: 9.00am, 10.45am, 12.30pm & 7.30pm
4.00pm – *Filipino Mass*

POPE'S INTENTION - APRIL 2023

For a culture of peace and non-violence: We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by states and citizens.

WE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Domingo Fernandes and Catherine Stock that the Lord may lay His healing hands on them and bring them His peace.

WE EXTEND OUR SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY AND FRIENDS OF

Bridget Ruane who died on 7th April 2023. Her Requiem Mass will be at St George's RC church, Sudbury, on Friday 5th May at 10.45am followed by a cremation at Breakspear Crematorium Ruislip. May her soul rest in peace.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND

Next Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently **48** men studying at Allen Hall seminary, **14** of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year **8** men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.

THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The Catholic School going children are having their First Holy Communion on **Sundays 23rd and 30th April at 2.00pm.**

The non-Catholic school-going children will have their First Holy Communion on **Saturday 6th May 2023 at 2pm.**

UK EMERGENCY ALERTS TEST: The national test of the UK Emergency Alerts service will be held on Sunday 23rd April 2023 at 3.00pm. Mobile devices will automatically beep and/or vibrate or even read out a message which will last for about 10 seconds.

JUNIOR YOUTH MEETING: will be held on Friday 28th April from 6.00pm to 8.00pm at the Pastoral Centre. This is a gathering for the youth from our parish aged 12 to 18. New members are welcome to join.

FOCUS MAGAZINE: The Easter Focus Magazine is available. Please take a copy as you leave the church.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

If any parishioner would like to have their home blessed during the Easter Season - please give your name, address and telephone number, in writing, and drop through the Presbytery letterbox.

Filipino Mass

There will be Mass on **Sunday 30th April at 4.00pm** instead of 3.00pm.

REPOSITORY

A good selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards, Prayer Books, Rosaries and gifts are available in our repository.

ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

At Westminster Cathedral, Saturday **13th May 2023 at 2:30pm.**

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their *5th 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2023.* If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your following details to the parish office: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

CONTACTLESS DONATION:

We now have two contactless payments digital plates available at the church porch. Please ensure you opt for Gift Aid.