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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A 30TH APRIL, 2023

THEME: He Calls Us by Name



It is great to know that someone knows you by your first name, for that is already a sign of love. If this person is someone you trust, you can put yourself in his/her hands and feel very safe. Jesus presents himself today as a friend who knows and calls us to walk with him the road of life. He sticks to us through thick and thin; he shows us the way to follow. Under his leadership we can truly be a people, God's people. With Jesus, our Good Shepherd, we celebrate the Eucharist and learn from him to care for one another.

MEDITATE: In the time of Jesus, at the end of each day, all the shepherds would bring their flocks together for the night.

ACT: Recall times in your life when you were in a crises. Pray in thanksgiving for anyone who was like a Good Shepherd to you.



CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III

The Bishops of England and Wales have asked each Catholic to pray for His Majesty and the Queen Consort from Wednesday 3rd May to Friday 5th May. We pray that Almighty God will guide the King in his appointed tasks. Prayer cards are available at both entrances to the Church.

You are also invited to a special Mass for the Intentions of King Charles III on **Friday 5th May, at 6.30pm**.

Following the 5.30pm Mass on Saturday 6th May [Coronation Day] there will be refreshments in the Hall. All are welcome.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND



This 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 this weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. Your donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation envelopes are available at each exit of the church. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests.

COMING TO MASS: COVID-19 SAFE ENVIRONMENT

[Please do NOT attend Mass if you are unwell or have any Covid symptoms]

As we have many vulnerable parishioners we ask that you **continue to sanistise your hands** when you come to Church.
Your cooperation will be greatly appreciated.

WEARING OF MASKS

Thank you to everyone for your cooperation in this matter. From **Monday 1st May**, the wearing of masks in Church will become an individual decision. We will still leave a supply of masks at both entrances to the Church for those who feel more comfortable wearing one. I kindly ask that we respect each individual choice. [Fr. Anthony]

DONATIONS AND COLLECTION OF MONEY
IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT GIVING ON-LINE

GIVING BY STANDING ORDER [Preferred Method]: If you would like to support the parish we would ask you to consider setting up a regular donation in this way.

Offertory Envelopes and other donations can be placed in the Collection Box at the entrance or at the exit of the Church.
There are also a number of cashless methods now available:

Make a donation via our website:
https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleyprestonroad/donate/

Via Dona [the company who supply our card readers].
https://portal.mydona.com/assets/webPay/index.php?cid=268

NOW ACCEPTING CONTACTLESS DONATIONS

Donations, Mass Intentions and Repository payments can also be made via the card readers in Church

[If you are a tax payer, please Gift Aid your donation]

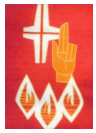
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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The next "Link Mass" will take place on **Saturday 6th May at 5.30pm**,
Theme: "The Eucharist"

THE LARDER

Thank you for your kind donations,
especially during these difficult times.
Please leave your donations in the box provided by the Lady Chapel.



REPOSITORY



Currently in stock: a good selection of First Holy Communion and Confirmation cards, Prayer Books, Rosaries and gifts, all at reasonable prices. If you don't see what you require, please ask as we are unable to display our full stock. You are welcome to have a browse.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: 28th MAY 2023 - INTERNATIONAL DAY



On the feast of Pentecost [28th May] we celebrate our "Unity in Diversity" and the different Nationalities that are part of our Parish. Please come in your National Costume if possible. Tickets on sale after Mass: Adults: £10; Senior Citizens & Children over 12 years: £5. Children under 12 years free. [All children must be accompanied by parent or guardian.] The money raised will go towards the Church Refurbishment Fund.

FLAGS: A sheet is provided [at the back of the Church] for you to write your country of origin. We will use the information to ensure that we have flags representing all the different parts of the world that make up our community.

INTERNATIONAL CUISINE: As in the past, we are asking people to provide National Dishes. Currently, we have: Jerk Chicken, Home cooked Ham, Salmon, Baked Pasta, and Italian Ice-Cream. If your country is not covered by the above perhaps you might consider making a dish, we also need desserts and nibbles [i.e. prawn crackers etc.]

We need enough of each dish to serve 10 or more people, perhaps two or more people could cook the same dish. We would like people to volunteer to co-ordinate the food. Please complete the food sheet form at the back for the Church.

[Due to Data Protection Laws, we can no longer leave out lists as in the past, so if you could complete the forms at the back of the church to indicate your donation of food/drink. Then post these forms into the box provided, we would be most grateful. ***Please, do not leave completed forms with your details on the table.]***

ENTERTAINMENT: There will be live music. If anyone would like to contribute to the entertainment on the day, please let us know.

RAFFLE: Tickets available from next week.

1st prize – International Hamper [*Donations would be welcome, as we would like each country to be represented*]; 2nd prize – £50 Cash; 3rd Prize – Icons; 4th Prize – Children's Surprise; 5th Prize – Surprise Prize for those attending; and many other fantastic prizes. To be drawn on Sunday 28th May, 2023.

PARISH MAGAZINE – PENTECOST EDITION

Articles need to be in by the weekend of 13th/14th May.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL



For a culture of peace and non violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, through a decreasing use of weapons by both states and citizens.

CHURCH CLEANING

The Church closes for cleaning after the 9.30am Mass on Tuesdays.
If you have any spare time please come along and join us.

LITURGY FOR THE FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER

[All services can be followed online: **https://www.churchservices.tv/wembley3**
[Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 10.00am/11.30am Masses are recorded]

Sunday 30th April: Fourth of Easter, Year A: [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: Acts 2.14,36-41; Psalm: 22; 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2.20-25; Gospel: John 10.1-10.
Intentions: 10.00am: Margaret Cornish [RIP, A]
11.30am: People of the Parish

Monday 1st May: St. Joseph the Worker [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Colossians 3.14-15,17,23-24; Psalm: 89; Gospel: Matthew 13.54-58. **Intention:** Kathleen Kingsley [RIP, A]

Tuesday 2nd May: St. Athanasius [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: 1John 5.1 -5; Psalm: 36; Gospel: Matthew 10.22-25. **Intention:** Catherine Munnelly [Intent]

Wednesday 3rd May: Ss. Philip and James: [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: 1Corinthians 15.1-8; Psalm: 18; Gospel: John 14.6-14. **Intention:** Monica Fitz-maurice [RIP, A]
Followed by Exposition, Rosary and Benediction at 11.00am.

Thursday 4th May: NO SERVICE

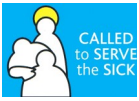
Friday 5th May: Easter Feria: [9.30am] Readings: 1st Reading: Acts 13.26-33; Psalm: 2; Gospel: John 14.1-6. **Intention:** Mary McNamara [RIP]

Friday 5th May: 6.30pm: Mass for the intentions of King Charles III: Readings: 1st Reading: Romans 8.26-30; Psalm: 131; Gospel: Matthew 5.1-12.

Saturday 6th May: Fifth of Easter, Year A: [5.30pm] **Readings:** 1st Reading: Acts 6.1-7; Psalm: 32; 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2.4-9; Gospel: John 14.1-12. **Intention:** People of the Parish

Sunday 7th May: Fifth of Easter, Year A: [10.00am/11.30am] Readings: Acts 6.1-7; Psalm: 32; 2nd Reading: 1Peter 2.4-9; Gospel: John 14.1-12.
Intentions: 10.00am: Bridie and Peter O'Kelly [RIP, A]
11.30am: Bridie and Eddie Thompson [RIP, A]

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK



We keep in our thoughts and prayers: Margaret Beeby, Yves Remedios, Denton Allen, Radwan Naffa, and Magdalene Davis. We remember also those in Kenbrook, Birchwood Grange and Brook House.

In case you are admitted to hospital.....

Please indicate *on entering hospital* that your details are to be passed to the RC Chaplain, and that you would like a visit from the RC Chaplain.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

[*based on a prayer of St Alphonsus Liguori]*