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Sunday 25th April 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions: Sunday 25th April 2021 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY VOCATIONS SUNDAY

6.15pm (Saturday 24th April 2021) Czezlawa Miszczyszyn RIP 8.30am Colin McAleavey – Dunne RIP 11.30am People of the parish 5pm Intentions of Elizabeth Power

Fourth Week of Easter

Monday 26th April 2021 (Feria) 10am Tom Harrison RIP PVT The Holy Souls Tuesday 27th April 2021 (Feria) 10am Christine Clark RIP PVT The Holy Souls Wednesday 28th April 2021 (Feria) 10am Zofia Rozylo RIP PVT The Holy Souls

Thursday 29th April 2021 (Feast)
St Catherine of Siena, Virgin and Doctor
of the Church, Patron of Europe
10am Fr Anthony Porter RIP
PVT The Holy Souls
Friday 30th April 2021 (Feria)
10am UCM intention
PVT Fr Ronald Salmon RIP

Saturday 1st May 2021 (Memorial) St Joseph the Worker 10am Thomas Pinto RIP NB: NO PUBLIC CONFESSIONS

Sunday 2nd May 2021 FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

6.15pm (Saturday 1st May 2021) Joan Forward RIP 8.30am Paul Homewood RIP 11.30am People of the parish 5pm Intentions of Louise Fitzgerald

Our Current Public Mass Schedule
*Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am;
*Confessions: Saturday, after 10am
Mass, until approx 11.30am;
*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);
8.30am; 11.30am; 5pm.

MORE EASTER THANKS

Thanks to the Polyphony Choir for singing so beautifully at the Solemn Easter Vigil in the Holy Night during this time of the pandemic.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND/OR HOUSEBOUND, INCLUDING:

John Ambler, Jessica Anane. Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail. Raffaella Forte. Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski, Philomena Lopez, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas, Mary Meyern, Sheila Newman, Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, Ronald Smail, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo, Monica Vergara, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Of your charity, please pray for the happy repose of the soul of **Joseph Lincoln Fevrier**,

late of Croydon, who died on Sunday 10th January 2021, aged 60. Our condolences and prayers as a parish go to the family.

PRIESTS' TRAINING FUND

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, also known as Vocations Sunday.

Please pray for priests and Religious, that the Lord of the Harvest may send them out into His Vineyard. It costs approximately £30,000.00 to train a priest. Without priests, there can be no Sacraments. Please also donate to the Priests Training Fund. Envelopes are available from stewards. You may find out more and donate online at:

Vocations (resouthwark.co.uk)

GIFT AID & FINANCE NEWS

New envelopes may be collected from the hall this weekend, after Saturday evening 6.15pm Mass and all Sunday Masses. Please wear your mask. Kindly observe the one-way system.

NB: Some boxes have been renumbered.

In the meantime, Gift Aiders may make use of the spare envelopes in their existing boxes. Please just add the date. If you need a Year End Letter, please request it later on in the year as, due to COVID, there is a currently a backlog in entering Gift Aid into the computer.

If you are a tax payer, you may join the Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your contributions at no extra cost to you! Now would be an excellent opportunity to consider setting up a Standing order, if your financial circumstances allow. They also save us money on the purchase of envelopes and boxes. For information on Gift Aid, a crucial way to increase parish funds, please contact the Parish Office. You may download a Standing Order Form from our parish website:

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Would all those who kindly set up a Standing Order during our Planned Giving Drive check their bank statements to see if their instructions to their banks have been received.

Many were not set up by banks.

COVID PANDEMIC INFORMATION Please do not come to the church if you

have any symptoms, whether COVID or not, even if vaccinated. Please do as directed by our stewards. You must wear a clean face mask or covering

which must cover nose and mouth.

Hand sanitiser is available at the church. Please keep at least 2 metres from others. Please follow instructions regarding the reception of Holy Communion or a blessing. Please then go straight home and do not socialise outside the church.

Do bear in mind the latest slogan: "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR"

Please ensure that you wear a mask should you need to visit the presbytery.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

(Cf Psalm 32:5-6)

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord, the heavens were made, alleluia.

FIRST READING (Acts 4:8-12)

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said, 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other, that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today.

This is the stone rejected by you, the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For, of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 117:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28-29 response v 22)

R: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.

- 1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good. for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes. R.
- 2. I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **R**.
- **3.** Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. R.

SECOND READING (1 John 3:1-2)

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION (John 10:14)

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. Alleluia!

GOSPEL (John 10:11-18)

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well. They, too, will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd. The Father loves me because I lay down my life in order to take it up again. No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The good shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

CONFIRMATIONS

Please wait for information on future Confirmations. Due to Confirmations and pre-Confirmation Confessions, there will be no Confessions on Saturdays May 1st & May 8 There will be NO public 10am Mass on Saturday May 8th.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS 2021

Please see our parish website. Please complete the online form on there and await further information. Please go to: St. Bart's - First Communion Programme (stbartsnorbury.co.uk) A paper version of the form is available from stewards. Dates, venues and methods of preparation are all being planned.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES

Both the following courses consist of two sessions. To join, kindly ask stewards for a Baptism Details Form, or else download one from the parish website at:

baptism details form 2019.pdf (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

Please note that online forms must be printed off and then completed manually in ink. Please read the forms carefully and provide all necessary information and paperwork.

Course 1 part 1 – Wednesday 28th April 2021 at 7.30pm.

Course 1 part 2 – Wednesday 5th May 2021 at 7.30pm.

Course 2 part 1 – Saturday 15th May 2021 at 2.30pm. Course 2 part 2 – Saturday 22nd May 2021 at 2.30pm.

Courses will take place in the Retro Chapel, and you will be informed how to enter and exit. COVID conditions will apply.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office continues to operate remotely during the COVID pandemic. Please phone, email or use the Contact Form on our web site. Please wait patiently for a response.

MASS INTENTIONS

These may be booked by email or by phone. Details will be provided about making offerings, which may be Gift Aided.

Please put any envelopes through the presbytery door.

MORE EASTER THANKS

To all who prepared the Church for the Easter Triduum, including the banners and the statues. Particular thanks to Maria Newey & Irena Corbo for the beautiful flower arrangements.