

# St Bartholomew's Catholic Church

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Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

(YEAR A)

## Mass Times and Intentions:

*Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May 2023*

### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

6.15pm (Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> May 2023)

Zaira & Frank Wegrzynek RIP

8.30am People of the parish

10am Angelique Wu RIP

11.30am Intentions of Joyce Ippoliti

(Polyphony Choir)

### 4pm Benediction

5pm Intentions of Caitano M. Fernandes

## FIFTH WEEK OF EASTER

*Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Bank Holiday)*

*Our Lady of the Sacred Heart*

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Joseph Lunn RIP

*1pm – 7pm Coronation Event in the hall*

*Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Feria)*

*Day of Prayer for Survivors  
of Sexual Abuse*

7.30am Intentions of the Habermann  
& Okeke families (Novena)

10am Thomas Corr RIP

*Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Feria)*

7.30am Fr Ronan Magner RIP

10am Francis D'Souza RIP

*Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Feria)*

7.30am Fr Patrick Flanagan RIP

10am Joseph Qian RIP

*Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 (Feria)*

7.30am The Holy Souls

10am Joseph Li RIP

*7pm – 9pm Youth Club in the hall*

*Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023*

*Our Lady of Fatima*

10am Ron Gomez RIP

*12Noon First Holy Communion (Grp 1)*

*Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023*

### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Coffee Morning after the

8.30am & 10am Masses

6.15pm (Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023)

Kevin Jones RIP

8.30am Fr Basil Miller RIP

(Foundation Mass)

10am People of the parish

*12Noon First Holy Communion (Grp 2)*

### 4pm Benediction

5pm John Durkin RIP

## NORMAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

\*Mass: Monday to Friday 7.30am;

Monday – Saturday: 10am;

\*Confession: Saturday, after 10am Mass,  
until 11.30am then from 5pm – 6pm.

\*Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 10am; 11.30am; 5pm.

## Adoration & Benediction:

Mon – Sat 9.30am

(First Friday after 10am Mass until 2pm)

\*Rosary: Monday – Saturday

after 10am Mass

Rosary & Benediction: Sunday 4pm

(Stations of the Cross during Lent)

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

### AND HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane,

Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah,

Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere,

Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese,

Erna Breese, Agnes Buckley,

Philip Chapman, Gerard Cowie,

Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza,

Audrey Draude, Terry Folorunso;

Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco,

Rachel Gadd, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy,

Fr Michael Jones, Terry Jupp,

Fr Louie Kitt, Scarlett Kurowski,

Dorothy Lentini, Philomena Lopez,

James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin,

Otiss McLaughlin, Margaret McSharry,

Ajitha Mahatantila, Mary Meyern,

Elsy Mickle, Pat Nawrat,

Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price,

Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose,

Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott,

Christine Shaughnessy,

Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor,

Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo,

Monica Vergara, Michael Wemambu,

Margaret White, Mary White,

Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch,

John Windsor, Charmaine Wise,

Fr Alfred Xuereb SJ; Georgette Yoo Foo

## COFFEE MORNING THANKS

The Daughters of Divine Love are most

grateful for your support last Sunday.

They raised £325.00 from the sale of cakes  
and cards, plus donations of £120.00.

## NEXT COFFEE MORNING

Next Sunday, hosted by the UCM after

The 8.30am & 10am Masses only.

## RECENTLY DECEASED

Of your charity, please pray for the happy  
repose of the soul of **Marco Zambelli**,  
of Braxted Park, who died on Saturday  
29<sup>th</sup> May 2023. Marco was the father of  
Raffaella Williams and her siblings.  
Marco's funeral will be held here at  
**10am on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

Our condolences and prayers as a parish  
go to the family at this sad time.  
May he Rest in Peace & Rise in Glory!

## YOUTH CLUB CORONATION CELEBRATION

MONDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

From 1pm until 7pm in the hall.

A youth club representative will be  
issuing an invitation to everybody during  
all Masses this weekend.

Do come along and join our celebration,  
which will include music, refreshments  
and all sorts of activities. We shall be  
welcoming the Civic Mayor of Croydon,  
Councillor Alisa Flemming, to our  
celebration. Space is limited in the hall,  
so please get in touch and let us know you  
wish to attend on 07984 331136 or  
call the Parish Office.

## FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Please remember in your prayers our  
First Holy Communicants who will be  
receiving Our Blessed Lord for the  
very first time during two special  
Masses next weekend.

Both will take place at 12 Noon:  
on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 and  
Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

This means that there will be no Mass  
at 11.30 on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023.  
These two Masses are expected to be  
very busy, and seating priority will be  
given to the children, their family  
members and our catechists.

## LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

Basket £808.10:

(Gift Aid: £267.00; Non-G/A: £541.10)

Plus Standing Orders: £676.00.

Special Collection for Archdiocese of  
Southwark Priest Training Fund:

Basket £1187.25:

(Gift Aid: £356.13; Non-G/A: £831.12)

**THE CORONATION OF  
HIS MAJESTY KING CHARLES III  
SATURDAY 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023**

The following prayer will be recited after the post Communion prayer at all Masses today:

Celebrant: O Lord, Save Charles, our King.

Response: **And hear us on the day we call upon you.**

Celebrant: O Lord, hear my prayer.

Response: **And let my cry come before you.**

Celebrant: The Lord be with you.

Response: **And with your spirit.**

Celebrant: Almighty God, we pray that your servant Charles, our King, who, by your providence, has received the governance of this realm, may continue to grow in every virtue, that, imbued with your heavenly grace, he may be preserved from all that is harmful and evil and, being blessed with your favour may, with his consort and the royal family, come at last into your presence, through Christ, who is the Way, the Truth and the Life, and who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Additionally, **at the 11.30am Mass**, our Polyphony Choir will be singing a specially commissioned piece by

Joanna Forbes L'Estrange, entitled: 'The Mountains shall bring Peace'.

The first verse of the National Anthem will be sung in honour of His Majesty the King, after the dismissal and before the final hymn:

**God save our gracious King,  
Long live our noble King,  
God save the King!  
Send him victorious,  
Happy and glorious,  
Long to reign over us,  
God save the King!**

**THE SYNOD PRAYER**

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gifts of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace.

Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese.

May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be.

Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully.

We ask this through Christ, Your son, the Eternal High Priest. Amen.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE**

**Wednesdays 24<sup>th</sup> & 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023  
at 8pm in the Retro Chapel.**

**Parents must attend both sessions, unless they have attended a course in the past 3 years.** To join the course, please pick up a Baptism Details Form, complete it in ink and deliver it to the Parish Office. Please read the form carefully and provide all the requested information.

**Even if you have already submitted a form, please call the Parish Office to book a place. Please do not just turn up.**

**NEW GIFT AID ENVELOPES**

Please ask for your new box of Gift Aid envelopes or pack of second collection Gift Aid envelopes, currently housed in the side room beside Our Lady's Altar. Missing envelopes have now arrived. **Please note that Gift Aiders holding those particular boxes have all been allocated new Box Numbers.**

Forms are available to join the Gift Aid scheme, along with information leaflets. You are strongly encouraged to consider a Standing Order, whether or not you Gift Aid your offerings, as they help us in our budgeting.

**Whether you are currently a member of the Gift Aid Scheme, or considering joining it, you are advised to check your tax position with HMRC to ensure that you pay sufficient tax in relation to Gift Aid. The golden rule is: 'If in doubt, leave it out!'**

**MASS REQUESTS & OFFERINGS**

Please post your Mass Offering Envelopes through the presbytery door. Offerings are voluntary. As a guide, people tend to give £10.00. Mass offerings may be Gift Aided too, and there is a special place for that on the envelopes.

**Please note that no date or time can be guaranteed.**

**If a particular date and time are important to you, then you are advised to put your request in early.**

**Nobody should feel embarrassed about requesting a Mass Intention if they cannot afford to make an offering.**

**FLOWERS**

Please place offerings in the dedicated wall box in the main porch. Thankyou for your continued generosity.

**UNWANTED NOTES, COINS AND CURRENCY**

Please deposit any old notes and coins, including UK and foreign currency, in the SVP basket in the main porch. The SVP, centrally, can get some value for them, helping to fund their vital work for those in need.