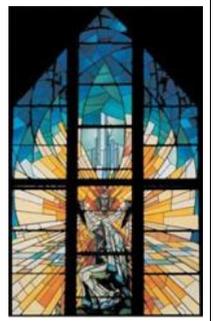


# Our Lady of the Annunciation



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By appointment only

## 18th April 2021 Third Sunday of Easter YEAR B

Consistently in the reports of Jesus' post-Resurrection appearances, Jesus greets his disciples with the words, "Peace be with you." This is a most appropriate greeting. The disciples have witnessed the death of someone they loved, and they now fear for their own lives as well. Peace is what they need more than anything else. Jesus often connects this greeting of peace with another gift - forgiveness. In today's Gospel, this connection is made in the final verses.

Even as they hear Jesus' greeting of peace, the disciples are startled and terrified. They are uncertain about what to make of the figure before them and, quite understandably, they mistake Jesus for a ghost. Yet the figure before them is not a ghost; Jesus invites them to experience his resurrected body with their senses, to look and to touch. The figure before them is flesh and bone, still bearing the marks of crucifixion. Although the disciples cannot forget his suffering and death, peace begins to take root in their hearts, as their fears turn to joy and amazement.

As further proof of his identity and of his resurrected body, Jesus eats with his disciples. The disciples have known Jesus best through the meals that he has shared with them. Descriptions of these meals are a defining element of Luke's Gospel. By eating with his disciples after his Resurrection, Jesus recalls all these meals, and most importantly, he recalls the Last Supper.

Luke's report of the Last Supper and the meals that Jesus shared after his Resurrection unveil for us the significance of the Eucharist. Having shared a meal with his disciples, Jesus now uncovers for them the significance of what was written about him in the Scriptures. So, too, our celebration of the Mass is an encounter with Jesus, through the Word and the Sacrament of the Eucharist. As Jesus commissions his disciples to be witnesses to what Scriptures foretold, our celebration of the Eucharist commissions us. Like the disciples, we are sent to announce the good news of Jesus' forgiveness of sins.



As we continue to work towards an national easing of lockdown Fr Keith & Fr Jackson would like to thank those who have gone above and beyond to make it possible for us to operate during this past year. We are praised for keeping the church open every day we have been legally allowed to do so, but it would not have been possible without our cleaners *Aloysius* and *Hera*, and our Sunday Morning 'Foggers' *Juan*, *Gary*, *Danny*, *Mervin*, and *Jonathon*, who have also stewarded people safely to their seats. Together we owe them a huge 'Thank You'!

**PLEASE NOTE:** We now have a QR CODE for the church, which is displayed at all entrances and exits, for use by those who have the NHS COVID19 App. The church mobile number (also on display) for Track and Trace is still in use if you do not have the App.

## Mass Intentions This Week

### 17 April: Saturday

10:00 Wellbeing of Mary Rayner

17:30 Alan Scally RIP

18:30 John Boswood RIP

### 18 April: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

09:00 Maria Leitao Amorim RIP

10:00 Helen Kassianou RIP

11:00 Tom, Cassie & Christy Jordan RIP

12:00 All Parishioners

### 19 April: Monday

10:00 Pat Ryan RIP

### 20 April: Tuesday

10:00 Harold, Michael & Harry Sweeney RIP

### 21 April: Wednesday SAINT ANSELM

10:00 Lucas, Ubaldina & Sylvia DeSouza RIP

### 22 April: Thursday

10:00 Joseph Moriarty RIP

19:30 Joseph Simons RIP

### 23 April: Friday SAINT GEORGE

10:00 Greta & George Farrell RIP

### 24 April: Saturday

10:00 Monica Grant RIP

17:30 Joan McHugh RIP

18:30 Anna Fitzpatrick RIP

### 25 April: FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

09:00 Anthony McCloskey RIP

10:00 Deceased Members of the

O'Dowell & Sweeney Families RIP

11:00 All Parishioners

12:00 Mary Joyce RIP



### IMPORTANT REMINDER

Our 10am Mass each Sunday is  
**LIVE STREAMED**  
through our Facebook page.

### LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 443.00
Loose cash	£ 385.00
S/Os (Approx)	£ 975.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£ 1803.00</b>

### REMINDER - 1st HOLY COMMUNION

Parents are reminded that all children due to make their 1st Holy Communion in July this year, start their classes on **Monday 19th or Tuesday 20th**. This includes those working with Fr Jackson.

**We pray for the sick in our Parish:** Geoffrey Bird, Phyllis Donnelly, Elizabeth Casey, Florence Okugbe, Ethan Patel, Fr Alan Sharpe, Eileen McMurray, Karen Pearson, Mary Rayner, Jonathan Leiper, Sheila Quieros, Brian Kearney

**We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week:** Delmira Barcellos, Sheila Minus, Maria Walicka, Julia Hinchcliffe, Paul Geddes, Olivia Green, Amalorpava Rasanayagam, Kate Gladden, Henryka Starkowski, Mary Anderson, Harold Sweeney, Patrick Walsh, Joseph Brady, Maria Robinson, William Doherty, John Flanagan, Noel O'Dwyer, Bernard Kingman, Mary (Bernie) Nolan, Phyllis Mobsby, Lorelai Fisher, Daniel Harris, Denis Wells, Patrick Moorehead, Eve Emmanuel, Doris Pinto

**\*\*\* IMPORTANT TRACK & TRACE INFORMATION \*\*\***  
*Please text your name to - [07548 868418](tel:07548868418). Many thanks for your cooperation.*

**\*\*\* POLITE REMINDER \*\*\***

PLEASE REMEMBER TO MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING WHILST IN CHURCH. OUR SEATING IS CLEARLY MARKED TO INDICATE WHERE IT IS SAFE TO SIT. **DO NOT SIT WHERE THERE IS RED TAPE ON A PEW UNLESS YOU ARE IN YOUR FAMILY BUBBLE.** THANK YOU.

### SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

*A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club*

Thank you for your support of the *Irish Shop* during the Easter Season; which raised £350.00 for the *Brain Tumour Charity*. In its first year of operation, the *Irish Shop* has raised £2,900.00 for the *Anerley Across Charity* (£1,000.00) and the *Brain Tumour Charity* (£1,900.00). Congratulations to Luke McNicholas & his Team on this excellent achievement.

If the Social Club Committee can help you in anyway, please make contact with the Parish Office. You may need assistance with shopping, collection of medication, transport to a hospital appointment et al. *No task is too small - please make contact.*

More News from *the Social Club* is available on the Facebook site.

**THANK YOU:** Marion, Marie, and Paul Ryan would like to thank everyone who sent Mass Cards, letters, and sympathy cards after Pat died. The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass will be offered for your intentions.

### GIFT AID BOXES

The new Gift Aid boxes for the year beginning in June 2021 will be prepared shortly. If there are any changes to your requirements, membership or address details, please notify me, *Jenny Mitchenor*, through the parish office email address, [addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk), as soon as possible. *Many thanks.*

### ADDISCOMBE WELCOMES REFUGEES NEEDS YOUR HELP!

As you may be aware from our recent update, community sponsorship programmes were abruptly halted in March 2020 due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Further to recent correspondence with the Home Office, we are now actively getting ready to welcome a family into our community. In preparation, we are:

1) Seeking volunteers to join the steering committee in the following roles:

- **Interpreter Lead:** you will ensure that the family have access to high quality translation and interpretation services.
- **Treasurer:** you will have financial oversight of the group's budgets, accounts and financial statements; ensure appropriate financial systems and controls are in place; have experience of record-keeping and account.

2) Resuming our search for a 3-bed, self-contained property. If you are a landlord who may have a suitable house available to rent in the next couple of months, please get in touch! Landlords will benefit from guaranteed rental income for two years.

If you would like to join the group or are a landlord who might have a suitable property to let, please contact us:

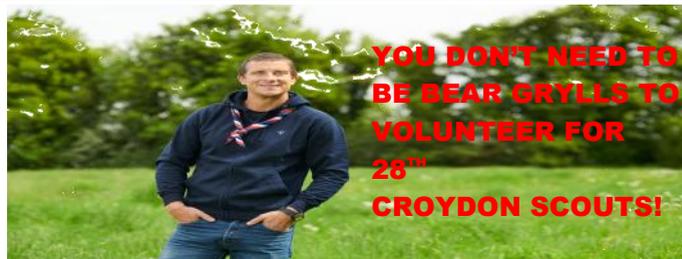
[addiscombe.welcomes.refugees@gmail.com](mailto:addiscombe.welcomes.refugees@gmail.com) / 07711 791729

**LIVE SIMPLY:** 'What sort of world do we want to leave our children?'. This is the final Easter reflection of the Global Catholic Climate Movement. The topic is on Hope for the Future and Live Simply, which is a Catholic response to the environmental crisis. Watch at: [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_nqRMuD-ymE](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_nqRMuD-ymE)

### OUR LADY'S SAFEGUARDING OFFICE

Contact email -

[addiscombesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:addiscombesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk)



We've already got one Chief Scout, and he's brilliant! What we need now are smilers and inspirers, activity planners and Zoomers - all round team players to support our young people.

The good news is you shape what you do and decide how much time you give. Scouts happens when a lot of us give a little (and no, you don't have to be a Scout or outdoors expert to volunteer). In particular, we are urgently looking for people to help on a Tuesday at our Beaver Colony (6 to 8 years old).

Contact [groupscoutleader@28thcroydon.org.uk](mailto:groupscoutleader@28thcroydon.org.uk)

### \*\*\* REPOSITORY SHOP REOPENING \*\*\*

Our shop **REOPENS THIS WEEK!** Don't forget to pay us a visit.

**NEXT WEEK:** Is the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations** to the Priesthood and Religious Life. As members of the Church, we are encouraged to pray earnestly for an increase in priestly and religious vocations. Next week we ask for your support of the Priest Training Fund, which pays for the formation of Southwark Seminarians and Deacons and the good work of our vocations team. Please be generous to this appeal. *Your gifts will support 7 men currently in formation to the Priesthood for our Diocese.* There will be a donation envelope available at Mass today, which can be used to Gift Aid your donation. You can also donate online via [www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/vocations.htm](http://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/vocations.htm), or via telephone on **020 7960 2504** (office hours Monday - Friday). Thank you for your prayers and generosity.

**AYC NEWS:** We are delighted to inform you that AYC is now **OPEN** for young people school years 7-10. Please email [Addiscombeyouthclub@gmail.com](mailto:Addiscombeyouthclub@gmail.com) to register interest and receive our program of events.

**SUPPORT OUR BROWNIE NEEVH:** Who is working towards her charities badge by cycling to raise money for her brother's school.

*Neevh says: My elder brother has Autism, learning difficulties and complex needs. In spite of his difficulties he is very cheeky, mischievous and kind-hearted. Parkwood Hall are doing a brilliant job of taking care of him and teaching him, in a way he can understand. The school, with our contribution, will be able to provide training for bike riding and more activities for all the special children at the school.*

<https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/Neevh-Bike4Charity>

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## 150<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY

1872



2022

### ADVANCE NOTICE FOR FORMER PUPILS, PARENTS, STAFF, GOVERNORS AND FRIENDS OF THE FEDERATION OF ST JOSEPH'S JUNIOR, INFANT AND NURSERY SCHOOLS

In preparation for the 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the opening of St Joseph's School, we invite the submission of recollections, photos and memorabilia, which can be displayed in anniversary publications and at events. Please include a description of any items sent, name people in photos and add a date or occasion when the photograph might have been taken.

During the celebratory year, beginning in September 2021, there will be many opportunities to visit St Joseph's and to meet with other Alumni to mark this special milestone. Please help us spread the news to all those associated with St Joseph's.

To share memories of your days at St Joseph's, or to receive more information as the plans for the anniversary year unfold, please email your name and contact details to:

[alumni@st-josephs-jun.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:alumni@st-josephs-jun.croydon.sch.uk)

We look forward to hearing from you and to welcoming you back to our wonderful schools.

The Federation of St Joseph's Junior, Infant & Nursery Schools,  
Crown Dale, Upper Norwood, London SE19 3NX

<https://www.stjosephsfederation.co.uk/>

### CONFIRMATION CERTIFICATES 2020

Confirmation certificates for 2020 can now be collected from the Parish Office. Please ring before collecting. *Many thanks.*

**OFFERING A MASS INTENTION:** If you wish to offer a Mass intention at this time, please either use an 'Intentions' envelope located in a tray by the church exit, or complete the form on our website under the **COVID 19** tab. You can print this off and return it via the parish office letterbox with stipend enclosed, or email it to us directly at [addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:addiscombe@rcaos.org.uk). If you choose to email the form we will then contact you once lockdown is lifted regarding the stipend.

**PURCHASING MASS CARDS:** The parish office remains closed to the public. If you wish to purchase a Mass card, *please see Fr Keith or Fr Jackson who can assist you with this.* Sorry for any inconvenience this may cause.

### FOOD BANK DONATIONS

In case anybody is interested, **Saint Mary Magdalene Church** in **Canning Road** is now open for food bank donations. Food is collected by the Salvation Army and Croydon Voluntary Association weekly to go into food parcels for the community.

The church is open from **10am to 2pm** on **Wednesdays and Saturdays**.

All dried and tinned food is welcomed.

### SAFEGUARDING OFFICER NEEDED FOR OUR LADY'S

Ann Marie Christian has stepped down as our lead safeguarding officer. **If you are experienced in this field** and think you would like to take up the role, please speak to Fr Keith. *Many thanks.*

### VACANCIES AT THE JOHN FISHER SCHOOL

We wish to appoint a

- **SCHOOL BUSINESS MANAGER**  
(Maternity Cover 9 - 12 months in the first instance)

Application forms are available to download on our website at [www.johnfisherschool.org/Career-Opportunities](http://www.johnfisherschool.org/Career-Opportunities) where you can also find further information on the school. Completed application forms should be emailed with a covering letter to Mrs H Palmer, Office Manager, at [h.palmer@johnfisherschool.org](mailto:h.palmer@johnfisherschool.org) by the **closing date of noon on Thursday, 22nd April.**

**HELPING CATHOLICS TO RETURN:** Do you know a friend or relative who has been away from the church and would like support or encouragement to return? We invite them to contact a team that offers a **non-judgemental forum** to help them reconnect with their Catholic faith at: [landingsbeckenham@gmail.com](mailto:landingsbeckenham@gmail.com)

*Lord Jesus,*

*When you walked with us on earth  
you spread your healing power.*

*We place in your loving care all  
who are affected by Coronavirus.*

*Keep us strong in faith, hope and love.*

*Bring relief to our sick, console our bereaved,  
protect those who care for us.*

*We lift our prayer to you Lord,  
and trust in your infinite mercy,  
as we wait for the daybreak.*

*Amen.*

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## **Class Teacher Required for St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary School**

**Dates:** Apply by **19th April 2021** (*Job start September 2021*)

**Salary:** MPS / UPS

**Contract Type:** Full Time

**Location:** Croydon

### **Class Teacher Required for EYFS or KS1 or KS2**

We are an inclusive and successful school seeking to appoint teachers who wish to develop professionally in a caring, supportive environment. **This is an outstanding opportunity for both experienced teachers and those in the early years of their career or Newly Qualified.**

The successful candidate will be able to support the Catholic ethos of the school.

**Closing Date: Monday 19th April 2021**

**Interviews: W/C 19th April 2021**

St Thomas Becket Catholic Primary School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of its pupils and this post is subject to an enhanced DBS check.

All applicants will be considered on the basis of suitability for the post regardless of sex, race or disability.

Further details and application forms can be obtained via the School Office:

**E-mail: [admin@thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk](mailto:admin@thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk)**

Or by visiting our school website to download the application pack: <https://www.thomasbecket.croydon.sch.uk/>

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