



Our Lady of the Annunciation



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24th April 2022 Second Sunday of Easter (page 262 of Parish Mass Book) YEAR C

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

The readings for this Sunday are about God's mercy, the necessity for trusting Faith, and our need for the forgiveness of our sins. The opening prayer addresses the Father as "*God of everlasting Mercy.*" In the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 118), we repeat several times, "*His mercy endures forever!*" God revealed His mercy, first and foremost, in sending His only begotten Son to become our Savior and Lord through His suffering, death, and Resurrection. Divine Mercy is given to us also in each celebration of the Sacraments, especially that of Reconciliation.

Today's Gospel recalls Jesus' institution of the Sacrament of Reconciliation, a Sacrament of Divine Mercy. The Risen Lord gave his apostles and their successors the power to forgive sins with the words, "*Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained*" (Jn 20:19-23). We need to accept God's invitation to celebrate and practice mercy in our Christian lives: One way the Church celebrates God's mercy throughout the year is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Finding time for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is another good way to receive and give thanks for Divine Mercy.

***** MANY THANKS MANY THANKS MANY THANKS *****

WE, YOUR PRIESTS ARE TRULY GREATFUL TO YOU AS EVER FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND KINDNESS, ESPECIALLY FOR YOUR PROFUSE CONTRIBUTIONS THIS EASTER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH INDEED.

Fr Keith & Fr Jackson

HOUSE BLESSING

If you would like a priest to come and bless your home, please contact the parish office to make an appointment.

MEETINGS

Ascent Group: Tuesday 26th at 10.30am (Large Hall)
SVP: Tuesday 26th at 8pm (PRC)
FINAL RCIA Group 2022 Mass: Wednesday 27th at 8pm (Church)
PARISH AGM: Thursday 28th at 8pm (Large Hall)



*Our 10am Mass each Sunday is
 LIVE STREAMED through our Facebook
 page and on the 'Live Masses' page of the
 parish website.*

CHURCH CLEANING
 28th APRIL - TEAM A

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY

Gift Aid Envelopes	£ 3106.13
Loose cash	£ 2462.45
S/Os (Approx)	£ 1055.00
Total	£ 6623.58

Mass Intentions This Week

23 April: Easter Saturday
 10:00 Joe & Lily Pereira RIP
 18:00 Peter Walton RIP

24 April: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER
 08:30 All Parishioners ~
 10:00 Thanksgiving for Thobie & Garth ~
 11:30 Jim O'Connor RIP +

25 April: Monday SAINT MARK
 10:00 Claudina Fernandes RIP

26 April: Tuesday SAINT GEORGE
 10:00 Intentions of Tom Sherrin

27 April: Wednesday
 10:00 Mr & Mrs D'Souza RIP

28 April: Thursday
 10:00 Peter Walton RIP
 19:30 Edward Timothy Crowley RIP

29 April: Friday
SAINT CATHERINE OF SIENA
 10:00 Adrienne & Lance Baptiste RIP

30 April: Saturday
 10:00 Clement & Wendy Pereira RIP
 18:00 Maureen Walsh RIP +

1 May: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER
 08:30 All Parishioners
 10:00 UCM:
 11:30 John Boswood RIP +

+ *With Baptism*
 ~ *With Children's Liturgy*

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Fridays 10.30am - 12pm
In The Sacred Heart Chapel

COLLECTIONS

The Good Friday collection for *Holy Places* amounted to £337.42. Many thanks.
 This week there will be second collection for *The Maintenance of St George's Cathedral.*

We pray for the sick in our Parish: Elizabeth Damsel, Fr David Peck, Lauren Horwood, Dominic Audibert-Moloney, Elizabeth Casey, Ethan Patel, Jonathan Leiper, Brian Kearney, John Devereux, Jean Carpenter, Jose Fernandez

We pray for parishioners whose anniversaries occur this Week: Phyllis Mobsby, Lorelai Fisher, Daniel Harris, Denis Wells, Patrick Moorehead, Eve Emmanuel, Doris Pinto, Ellen Conroy, Rita Fido, Joe Garry, Norma Waddell, Cal McCarthy, Tom Thornton, Denzil Peters, Eva Molony, Margaret Brown, Edward Whelton, Marie Carter, Cora Geraghty, Olga Beaucasin, Sarah Rose Claudius, Kathleen Evans, Mary Avery, Trevor Rodrigues, Douglas Weidemann, Jean Crayford, Col. J.H.Craig, Cedric De Saa, Seamus Lacey

SOCIAL CLUB NEWS

A message from Ben Cahill - Chair of the Social Club

Sunday evening entertainment commencing at 8.00pm

24th April: Ally Harron & Marian Curry
1st May: **Bank Holiday Special** Kieran White
8th May: The Foot Tappers
15th May: Mustang Showband
22nd May: Finbar & Paul
29th May: Theresa Rodgers
5th June: Glen Flynn

The **Essex Blues Brothers Tribute Evening** will take place on Friday, 13th May commencing at 7.30pm. All proceeds from this event will be given to the **Kairos Community Trust** - an organisation that is dedicated to helping homeless women and men with drug & alcohol problems. Tickets at £15.00 each can be reserved by calling **Ben Cahill on 07958 903410**.

- **St Mary's HS Reunion** - takes place in the Church Hall on Friday, 20th May, commencing at 7.00pm. The event is for Students who attended St Mary's in the 70s & 80s; we are hoping that many former members of staff will be in attendance. For more information, please contact **Ann Walsh on 07799 407439** or annie1963@live.co.uk.

*** TABLE TOP SALE ***

Saturday 30th April 9am - 1pm in the Church Halls

We have secured 30+ Venetian Blinds from a Warehouse Clearance, donated by Paul Kelly: KC Curtains. **Portfolio with full details of blinds is now available.**

Tables available at £15 each for you to sell your own Goods
Confectionary, Jewellery, Toys etc

Tea/ Coffee/ Refreshments

For more information / portfolio of blinds - send an email to patrickwinston@yahoo.co.uk or call **07734 250375**

All proceeds to given to Anerley ACROSS, Brain Tumour Charity & Woodside Bereavement Service

EXPERIENCED DOMESTIC CLEANER REQUIRED: For the presbytery house, to start as soon as possible. Duties include all usual household cleaning (kitchen/bathroom/dusting/hovering) no laundry or ironing necessary. The job requires 4 hours work, to be done either on a Thursday afternoon or Friday morning. **Please speak to Fr Keith for more information if you are interested.**

TALK ON THE VINE FOODBANK

All parishioners welcome

Emma Spencer from the Salvation Army is giving a talk on the foodbank at the next Justice and Peace meeting at **8pm on Tuesday 3rd May**. Please use the link the below to join the meeting or contact Chris Sciberras at sciberraschris7@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Join Zoom Meeting

[https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76419430216?](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76419430216?pwd=hZr_x1hV0QMPaBLU3daSGeYXt8KCsw.1)

[pwd=hZr_x1hV0QMPaBLU3daSGeYXt8KCsw.1](https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76419430216?pwd=hZr_x1hV0QMPaBLU3daSGeYXt8KCsw.1)

*** UKRAINE APPEAL UPDATE ***

Please see the letter on the noticeboard in the porch (or on our website) which gives details on how our donations have been used to help in the Ukraine Crisis. All involved in this appeal are extremely grateful to our parishioners for their generosity and prayers.

USED BATTERIES COLLECTIONS IN OUR CHURCH

Thank you to all who have brought in your used batteries over the past few years. Sadly we are unable to continue collecting them as the company who should be picking them up has not done so in spite of us chasing them continually. There is a collection box for used batteries in the Addiscombe Co-op at the entrance from the car park, which I would encourage you to use if possible. *Anne Barcellos*

PARISH AGM

Thursday 28th April at 8pm in the large hall

The Parish financial report is now available to view/download/print from our website, 'Addiscombe Catholic Church', if you wish to have sight of it before the AGM. A hard copy can be provided on request from the parish office.

MARYHILL: I have been asked 'What is Maryhill?', so for those of you who are not acquainted with it: In Uganda there is a Senior boarding school whose headmistress Sr Anastazia is of the same order of nuns as Coloma. There are a number of generous parishioners who donate for fees by cheque or standing order each year and I aim to deal with this during March and April. Obviously the sooner I can do this the better, so that I take up less office staff time. On behalf of the children - a very big 'Thank You' from me!

Nevertheless, each year we lose sponsors for a variety of reasons. If you feel that you could help, please ring me for a 'no obligation' chat, on 020 8654 3041. *Angela Yates (Organiser)*

THE JUSTICE, PEACE & INTEGRITY OF CREATION GROUP:

Invite you to read the detailed information about this Parish group, which is available via the website. Please look for us under the 'GROUPS' tab and see if the JPIC is something you'd like to be involved with.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY - CALL FOR HELPERS

Children's Liturgy sessions for pre communion age children have resumed and will usually take place on a monthly basis during 8.30am and 10am Masses. **We need more people to help us run the sessions.** The time commitment is minimal. Helpers are normally asked to cover a couple of sessions each term. You are asked to arrive to mass 15-20 minutes in advance, to help set up the hall and then to help during mass itself.

If you are interested and willing to get involved, please contact Sophia to find out more: slinehanbiggs@gmail.com / **07717 572791**

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) 2023

A new series of meetings for any adult interested in exploring the Catholic faith, or who wishes to be confirmed, will begin after Easter. Please watch out for the date of our first meeting. **Come and see!**

OUR LADY'S ASCENT GROUP (members of Life Ascending)

Meets every second Tuesday in the Large Hall after the 10am Mass. Life Ascending is a Catholic Organisation for people in middle and later life. It celebrates our faith and the sharing of common experiences of life. It encourages friendship between retired people, stimulates thoughts and discussion. It helps us to reflect on the purpose of our own lives as we grow older. Please do join us.

* **26th April: Discussion on St George and Patron Saints**

* **10th May: Sr. Sheila, Daughters of Mary and Joseph, on prayer**

DIVERSITY BIG JUBILEE LUNCH Sunday 5th June

Our Big Jubilee Lunch is six weeks away! The special thanksgiving service will **start at 11.30am followed by the reception in the large hall.** We will share details on the formats next week.

Meanwhile we are inviting our parishioners to be involved in preparing for and throwing the party. This time more than before, please start planning what traditional outfits you will wear and what contributions you will make in terms of organising games and other entertainment including music, decorating and setting up the hall, what traditional and other foods you will prepare including jubilee celebration themed cakes, flags, drinks, tableware and helping to clean up at the end. Contribution sign in sheets will be put up next week.

Counting on your usual cooperation and contribution.
Many thanks and blessings - Sylvia

Items for collection: *Francisco Serradilla-Mazuelos*

Baptism certificates: PLEASE COLLECT YOUR BAPTISM CERTIFICATES FROM THE PARISH OFFICE. THANK YOU.

Rotas: *Readers (May/Jun)*