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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

31ST MARCH 2024

Entrance Antiphon: ***The Lord is truly risen, alleluia. To him be glory and power for all the ages of eternity, alleluia, alleluia.***

Responsorial Psalm: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

Communion Antiphon: ***Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.***

He is risen as he said he would!

The joy of Easter is to experience ever anew the reality of the Resurrection as the beginning of our own salvation. May we not fear to tell all our brothers and sisters of the joy we have through our faith in the Risen Christ, who has forever opened to us the path of life eternal.

I pray you will all enjoy a happy and holy Easter with your loved ones.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Fr. Paul.

EASTER OFFERING ENVELOPES

The Collection on Easter Sunday is for your Parish Priests. Please use the envelopes for Easter Offerings available at the back of the Church or use the Easter Offering option on the contactless payment terminals. If you donate by bank transfer, please include the reference 'Easter Offering'. Thank you for your generosity.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY 7TH APRIL 3PM

On Divine Mercy Sunday 7th April we will have a special prayer service at 3pm with a reflection on the Gospel, followed by the Divine Mercy Chaplet and Praises. People will be invited to make an Act of Consecration to Divine Mercy. There will be refreshments in the hall afterwards. Everyone is welcome.

PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN & FATIMA LED BY FR. PAUL - 20TH TO 26TH MAY 2024

4 nights half board accommodation in Spain - Walking in the footsteps of Saint Teresa of Avila, Visiting Salamanca and Segovia, the Monastery of Saint John of the Cross and Valladolid.

2 nights full board accommodation in Fatima - Visiting the Sanctuary in Fatima, the Rosary Basilica, the Chapel of Apparitions and the Holy Trinity Basilica. Attending the Rosary candlelight procession and the International Mass on Sunday.

The Pilgrimage cost is £1358pp based on a minimum of 20 passengers and 2 sharing a room. Single room supplement is £235pp. The price includes half board accommodation in Avila, Salamanca, Segovia and Valladolid and full board accommodation in Fatima. Also included is daily Mass, coach transfers for the itinerary and half day guided tours in Avila, Salamanca, Segovia and Valladolid.

The last six reserved seats are still available on the flights so please secure your booking as soon as possible. The cost does not include travel to or from London Gatwick. To join this pilgrimage please speak with Fr. Paul or contact the parish office on Tel: 020 8300 2480 or Email: sidcup@rcaos.org.uk for a booking form. Alternatively call Gill at Tangney Tours on 01732 886666 to book your places.

ST. LAWRENCE'S FILM NIGHT - WEDNESDAY 3RD APRIL 7PM

St Lawrence's film night will be commencing on Wednesday 3 April at 7.00pm in the Parish Hall. Our first presentation is 'The Lady in the Van' featuring Maggie Smith (12). Voluntary donation and free raffle. All are welcome to attend.

WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS AND REPOSITORY

The Wednesday coffee morning recommences on the 17th April. The repository will be open during the coffee mornings.

MARIST WAY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM - SATURDAY 6TH JULY

See the poster on the notice board for details of the programme for the day.

ONLINE WEBINAR ON DISCERNING GOD'S CALLING & MAKING LIFE CHOICES

The Archdiocese of Southwark Spirituality Commission is offering this webinar on Saturday 13th April 2024 from 10 am – 1 pm on Zoom link <https://bit.ly/Choices2024>.

DEATH NOTICES

The 9.30am Mass on Thursday the 11th April is replaced by the Funeral Mass.

1. The Funeral Mass for John Thomas Yates RIP will take place on Thursday 11th April at 10am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 11.30am. May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 30th March

Easter Vigil in the Holy Night

7.30pm

The People of the Parish

Sunday 31st March

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

8.30am

Freddie and Millie Baldwin RIP

10.00am

Charlotte Scally RIP

11.30am

Agnes Medley RIP

Monday 1st April

Monday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am

Eileen Maxted RIP

Tuesday 2nd April

Tuesday within the Octave of Easter

9.45am

William John Griffith RIP

Wednesday 3rd April

Wednesday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am

John Gray RIP

Thursday 4th April

Thursday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am

Holy Souls

Friday 5th April

Friday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am

Deceased members of the Dantas family

Saturday 6th April

Saturday within the Octave of Easter

9.30am

Claudina Fernandes RIP

Collection	10th March 2024
Cash	£460.46
Gift Aid	£266.00
Total	£726.46
Monthly Standing Order	£4781

Collection	17th March 2024	Second Collection	Poor Parishes
Cash	£466.46	Cash	£287.39
Gift Aid	£367.50	Gift Aid	£281.00
Total	£833.96	Total	£568.39
Monthly Standing Order	£4781		

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 6th April	Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday
6.30pm	Intention of Roger and Mary Giddings
Sunday 7th April	Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy Sunday
8.30am	Breda Fowles RIP
10.00am	Living family and friends of the Wells family
11.30am	The People of the Parish
3.00pm	Divine Mercy Special Prayer Service
Monday 8th April	The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord
9.30am	Intention of Douglas French and family
Tuesday 9th April	Feria
9.45am	Susie Tinsley RIP
Wednesday 10th April	Feria
9.30am	Intention of the relatives and friends of the Cabral family
Thursday 11th April	Funeral Mass
10.00am	Funeral Mass for John Thomas Yates RIP
Friday 12th April	Feria
9.30am	Holy Souls
Saturday 13th April	Feria
9.30am	Geoffrey Richardson RIP

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER - DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY - 7TH APRIL 2024

(Psalter Week 2)

Entrance Antiphon: ***Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.***

Responsorial Psalm: ***Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.***

Communion Antiphon: ***Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.***