## St Lawrence's Church Sidcup

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ST. PETER CHANEL – CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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All Masses are live streamed through our parish Webcam. Morning mass will be celebrated at 09.30am, and then the church will close for cleaning. The sacrament of reconciliation is available on Saturday mornings from 11am-12pm in the parish hall and by prior arrangement.

Entrance Antiphon: Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.

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

First Holy Communion & Confirmation Programmes:

Due to the lack of time between now and the end of the School Summer Term these Sacramental Preparation

Programmes will be postponed until the autumn where we will welcome this year's and next years cohort in one group.

If you would like to book a mass in remembrance of somebody or for a special intention, please contact the parish office. Alternatively, you can write your request on an envelope and post it through the door of No 1, Hamilton Road. If your date is not available you will be contacted if you leave a contact number on the envelope. Thank you.

2nd Sunday Easter 2021
Divine Mercy Sunday
Saturday Easter Vigil 8.00pm.
Sunday: 8.30am 10.00am &
11.30am

6.30pm Joan Scally RIP 8.30am People of the Parish 10.00am Stephen Barker RIP 11.30am Mark Smith RIP

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am George Douglas RIP

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am John Michael Kelly RIP

Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am David Grace RIP

Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am Cahill Family Intentions

Friday 16<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am Adrian Charles Healy RIP

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> April 9.30am Thushi Fernando (B'day Int)

Collection: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2021 Cash: £ 748.21 Gift Aid: £1,460.88 Total: £2,290.10

Monthly Standing Order: £4,259.00

This Sunday we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday. St John Paul II instituted Divine Mercy Sunday in the year 2000, the same year he canonized Sister Faustina Kowalska. Divine Mercy Sunday is a reminder that the peace of all humanity will only be found when hearts turn trustfully to the work of divine mercy. Taking its place at the 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter it is seen as an extension of the Easter message of joy and hope in the resurrection of Christ; the one who was sent to lead us back to the Father. Despite our 21st Century advances, we live in a time of much pain, a fact of which we are all aware, however, divine mercy is always at work when we are open to receive it in our hearts. It is also important, particularly during these times of pandemic, that divine mercy not only penetrates us individually but it also demands to be shared among our brothers and sisters. Whatever our state in life we are reminded on this Sunday in particular that our assessment of ourselves is never the same in the eyes of God. God's love for us, which manifests itself through the divine mercy, has no limitations and is never exhausted. Let us all look towards the risen Christ and with a sincere and trustful gaze allow the prayer of our heart reach out to his diving mercy: Christ Jesus, I trust in vou!

Easter Offering: A sincere thank you for your kind and generous Easter Offering. Having been here as your parish priest for such a short period of time I feel quite unworthy to receive such an offering so soon. I am however consoled that I will hopefully be more deserving over the coming months between now and Christmas!

Have a blessed week. *Fr Paul*