

# St Lawrence's Church Sidcup

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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: **The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.**

Communion Antiphon: **The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**

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.

Death Notices. We sadly announce the death of parishioners from the parish: Caroline Webb RIP died 24<sup>th</sup> March 2021 aged 60, her Requiem Mass will be this Thursday at 9.30 am. Also, Mary Gentry RIP who died 9<sup>th</sup> April 2021 aged 100, her Requiem Mass will be on Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30 am.

**4th Sunday Easter 2021**  
**GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY**  
**Saturday Vigil 6.30pm.**  
**Sunday: 8.30am 10.00am & 11.30am**

6.30pm Jack Murphy RIP  
8.30am Peter & Mary Seery RIP  
10.00am Martha Marie White RIP  
11.30am People of the Parish

Monday 26<sup>th</sup> April  
9.30am Joan Acott RIP

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> April  
9.30am Betty O'Sullivan RIP

Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April  
**St Peter Chanel, Priest & Martyr**  
9.30am Michael & Anne Regan RIP

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April  
**St Catherine of Sienna**  
9.30am **FUNERAL MASS**  
Caroline Webb RIP

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> April  
9.30am Kristina Beak RIP

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May  
**St Joseph the Worker**  
9.30am Gordon Lewis RIP

Collection: 18<sup>th</sup> April 2021  
Cash: £ 185.36  
Gift Aid: £ 413.55  
Total: £ 598.91  
Monthly Standing Order: £4,259.00

The fourth Sunday of Easter is often called Good Shepherd Sunday as our Gospel Reading portrays our Lord as the Good Shepherd, the one who *'lays down his life for his sheep'*. It is also a Sunday where we are asked to focus our attention on vocations to the priesthood and religious life. We currently have 8 men studying for the priesthood within the Archdiocese of Southwark and we are asked to keep them in our prayers that they will become holy priests ready to model their life on the Good Shepherd.

This 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. This week we take up a second collection in 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 with this appeal. Donation envelopes are provided and will hopefully be handed out by stewards as you leave after Mass. More information on the work of vocations in the Diocese are on our webpage: <https://www.stlsidcup.org/vocations/> which includes details of our appeal this year, a prayer for vocations and a QR code to make donations directly via bank transfer.

The Archdiocese of Southwark recently set up the **Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis**. They are running online 'Life in the Spirit' seminars commencing Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Most of the seminars are run in the evening at 8 pm. To book your place please follow the link to the website: <https://aec.rcaos.org.uk/liss>

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.

Have a blessed week.

**Fr Paul**