

ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY - 8TH MAY 2022

(Psalter Week 4)

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 Intention, please use the Mass Intention Envelopes available at the back of the church and put it through the office letter-box with your contact number. The recommended Stipend by the Archdiocese for a Mass Intention is £10.

There will be no Confessions available on Saturday the 14th and the 21st May.

Repository - The Repository in the Church Hall is open on Wednesdays during the coffee morning and on Sunday after the 8:30am and 10:00am Masses. First Communion/Confirmation cards and gifts are on sale. Card payments cannot be accepted.

Confirmation - 19 young adults were confirmed by Archbishop Kevin McDonald on the 5th May.

First Holy Communion - 24 children received First Holy Communion on the 7th May, the remaining 12 children will receive First Holy Communion on Saturday 14th May at the 11am Mass. The 9:30am Mass on 14th May is replaced by the First Holy Communion Mass.

We keep the children, young adults and their families in our prayers. We sincerely thank all our Catechists for their time and efforts in preparing the children and the young adults to receive the Sacraments.

Have a blessed week.

Fr. Paul.

SECOND COLLECTION TODAY - PRIEST TRAINING FUND

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese.

After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 6 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest.

We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers.

Please support our priests of the future with a gift today.

Thank you.

- Donate Online: www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF
- Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right)
- Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.



BEXLEY MUSIC CONCERT - IN AID OF THE CRISIS IN UKRAINE

The Rotary Club of Sidcup and Inner Wheel wish to offer their heartfelt thanks to Fr. Paul and the community of St. Lawrence's for helping to make the concert in aid of Ukraine such a successful event last Saturday. The church was packed, including a number of Ukrainians and at least two newly arrived refugees, the atmosphere friendly and positive throughout, the talented young musicians entertained us magnificently, the delicious refreshments were deeply appreciated, the audience was most generous and - with a little extra help from the Sidcup Rotary Club Benevolent Fund - we shall be able to send £5000 to Ukraine to help meet their critical needs. The 2 Clubs are most grateful to all concerned and for the generous offer of the facilities of both church and hall free of cost .

The 9:30am Mass on Thursday 12th May and 19th May are replaced by the Funeral Masses.

DEATH NOTICES

1. Funeral Mass for TL Margaret Padmore will take place on Thursday 12th May at 10:00am followed by burial at 12noon at St. Werburgh Church Cemetery, Church Street, Hoo Rochester Kent ME3 9AL.
2. Funeral Mass for TL Margaret Rawlings will take place on Friday 13th May at 9:00am at Christchurch Eltham, 229 Eltham High Street, London SE9 1TX.
3. Funeral Mass for TL John Alfred Wilsdon will take place on Thursday 19th May at 10:00am followed by cremation at Eltham Crematorium at 11:30am.

May their soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT - FRIDAYS 10AM - 12:00Noon

The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed on Fridays after the 9:30am Mass until 12:00noon. Everyone is encouraged to come and spend some time with our Lord.

100 CLUB WINNERS

MONTH	£75	£50	£25	£10
FEBRUARY	E. Duncan	G. Thrift	M. Healy	C. Carr
MARCH	M. Moran	S. Eastwood	W. Walton	M. Wells
APRIL	D. Butters	J. Judge	R. Metaxis	C. Carr

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINARS

All are invited to prepare for Pentecost with a series of seminars presented jointly by the Archdiocese of Southwark Catholic Charismatic Renewal Team and the Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis. Deepen your understanding of the work of the Holy Spirit in your life by participating in the Life in the Spirit Seminars. This free seminar series will take place online over five Tuesday evenings between 10th May-14th June 2022 from 8pm -9.30pm. In addition, a Pentecost Retreat Day will take place at Aylesford Priory on Saturday 4th June. Places will be limited so booking in advance is essential. Participant's booklet £4.50 incl p&p available from Goodnews Books: www.goodnewsbooks.co.uk For details of the sessions and speakers and to register for the seminar go to <https://www.rcsouthwark.co.uk/news-events/events/life-in-the-spirit-seminars/?d=637878096000000000>.

COULD YOU BE A CHAPLAINCY VOLUNTEER?

University Hospital Lewisham and Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Woolwich are looking for volunteers to join their Chaplaincy and Spiritual Care team. Becoming a chaplaincy volunteer is similar to helping a neighbour in need. You spend time talking or simply being with anyone who would like it, offering a confidential listening ear. Some volunteers offer their admin. and computer skills by working in the Chaplaincy office. The commitment asked for is 3 hours per week, one afternoon a week for at least one year. If you would like to find out more, please contact: University Hospital Lewisham chaplaincy office 020 8333 3299 Queen Elizabeth Hospital chaplaincy office on 020 8836 6831 Generic email address: lg.chaplaincyuhl@nhs.net.

GOVERNMENT'S HOMES FOR UKRAINE SCHEME

London Borough of Bexley is welcoming Ukrainian nationals through the government's Homes for Ukraine scheme. If you are thinking of signing up to host a refugee and their family, please contact Bexley Council by email homesforukrainians@bexley.gov.uk. There is guidance for hosts (referred to as sponsors by the Government) at Homes for Ukraine: sponsor guidance. This document explains what is expected and the checks that will be carried out.

If you have any queries, please email: homesforukrainians@bexley.gov.uk The Bexley council website link below includes information and guidance for Ukrainians arriving in Bexley and links for residents or businesses who may wish to help <https://www.bexley.gov.uk/services/ukraine/advice-and-guidance>. Citizens Advice also provide information if you would like to [offer to let someone from Ukraine stay with you](#).

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday 7th May

6.30pm

Fourth Sunday of Easter/Good Shepherd Sunday

David Grace RIP

Sunday 8th May

8.30am

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People of the Parish

10.00am

Tim Aseervatham RIP

11.30am

Wellbeing of Gaynor Maskery

Monday 9th May

9.30am

Feria

Menino and Paul Pinto RIP

Tuesday 10th May

9.45am

Saint John of Avila, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Janet Elise Griffith RIP

Wednesday 11th May

9.30am

Feria

Caroline Webb RIP

Thursday 12th May

10.00am

Funeral Mass

Funeral Mass of Margaret Padmore RIP

Friday 13th May

9.30am

Our Lady of Fatima

Intention of Viraj and in Thanksgiving.

Saturday 14th May

11.00am

Saint Matthias, Apostle

First Holy Communion Mass

Fred Burton RIP

Collection	1st May 2022
Cash	£267.00
Gift Aid	£795.02
Total	£1062.02
Monthly Standing Order	£4644

Please pray for all the sick of our parish who are at home and in hospitals. Please also pray for the souls of the faithful departed that God may grant them eternal rest.

***You are my refuge and defence; guide me and lead me as you have promised.
Psalms 31:3***