

NEWS AND VIEWS

Planned Giving Envelopes: The few envelopes are ready for collection after every Mass from Sunday 21st March. For more updates, please speak with the Parish office team.

Food Donations for the needy: We are in dire need of food supplies for the needy. We humbly request for tins, confectionery, biscuits, soft drinks, beverages, tea, milk, sugar, coffee, and all non-perishable groceries. Please drop these in the basket under the bulletin desk behind or at the priests' house. The generosity of parishioners have been pivotal in our ministry of care to the needy in our community

Parish Website: Our new parish website is up and running, please visit it and make observations. We would like to thank Florian for seeing this through. Visit us at www.stgabes.uk

Live-streamed Masses via ZOOM/Facebook on Weekdays at 7pm: We have successfully started this for our spiritual nourishment even while we are at home or at work. It is also very easy to join the Mass

through Facebook @ <https://www.facebook.com/ArchwayParish/> Online Stations of the Cross will be at 6.30pm on Fridays followed by the Mass at 7pm. God bless you as you join us. The Mass will be quiet, prayerful and in 25 minutes. **Zoom link for weekday evening Masses @ 7pm GMT beginning Monday 8th March**, is below;
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85921527142?pwd=L05jUHk4QWovWVQzSVpkNkZ3SGl3dz09>
 Meeting ID: **859 2152 7142**
 Passcode: **071411**

First Holy Communion dates: April 18th, 25th, May 9th, 22nd, 23rd, June 6th, 13th, 20th, 26th (Reconciliation & rehearsals), 27th (Celebration of 1st Holy Communion at 3pm)

Christian Stewardship: (4th April 2021)
 Envelopes: £449.70 Loose: £798.71. We also receive £520 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for our continuous support of our parish.

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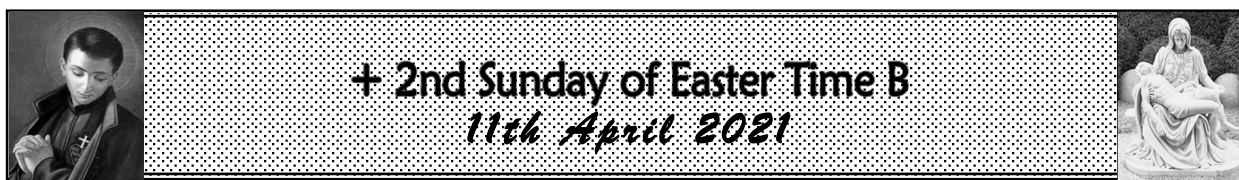


We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration

Moses was walking down the street when he bumped into George W. Bush. "Hello," Bush said. "Nice weather we're having, huh?" Moses took one look at the President, turned, and ran in the other direction. The next day Moses was walking down the same street and there was Bush. Again he tried to initiate a conversation. Again Moses turned and ran away. Bush was tired of this bizarre treatment, so the next time Moses ran away from him, Bush followed. When he caught up, he asked Moses what was wrong. Moses said, "The last time I talked to a bush I spent 40 years in the desert."



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+ 2nd Sunday of Easter Time B
11th April 2021

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

On the Second Sunday of Easter, the church celebrates the feast of Divine Mercy. United as a community of believers, we continue to express our joy and faith in the risen Christ. As we celebrate the victory of Christ over death, there is one crucial thing we must remember. This is, we must be united to bear an effective witness to the resurrected Christ as the early Christian community did. In today's gospel, Christ presented himself to his disciples. During this very important visit, he restored their peace, and commissioned them as ministers of the sacrament of reconciliation. The sacrament of reconciliation is the sacrament of mercy. It was not easy for Thomas to believe that Christ has risen. So, as we bear witness to the risen Christ, we shall certainly encounter people who will doubt our testimony. This must not discourage us. The Holy Spirit will convince them. We should remain focused on our mission. So, as true disciples of Christ, let us continue to announce the good news to the whole world that Jesus Christ, our Lord has truly risen from the dead. As we celebrate divine mercy Sunday today, we are reminded that God extended his mercy to us by allowing his son pay the ransom for our sins. Christ accomplished this through his paschal mystery. Finally, we must also extend this mercy to others. Hence, we are called to be apostles of mercy. So, as we spread the good news of Christ's resurrection, we must give thanks to God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. This is because, his mercy and generosity endure forever. Alleluia!

- Mass Times & Intentions 11th – 17th April 2021**
- Sat 10th Vigil Mass 6:30pm** Kieran McGee, Eddie Comeford, Bridie Redmond (month's mind), Frances Herlihy, Michael Moriarty, Tessy Cremin, Maria Zanre (RIP), Sheila Banks, Mary Slattery (ANN), Joan Fitzgerald, Pamela Lavin Rees, Louise McDonnell, Mary Clear, Bernie Shevlin (INT)
- Sun 11th 9:00am:** Edward McGuigan, Fort Ikwuka, Cecilia Baka, Mary Malkarkey, Michael Moriarty, Rose A. Otoo (RIP), Carlo Avanzi, Dennis West (ANN), Fr Kevin McDevitt, John & Lucie Thompson (INT)
- 11:30am:** Josie Egan, Callum O'Riordan, Michael Aherne, Dan Murphy, Armando Cruz, Tia Mena, Maria Zanre (RIP), Mary Slattery (ANN), Sophie Worthington, Maria Onuorah, Bernadette Ikwuka, Tony & Freda Glackin, Ann Waldron, Billy Ronan, Bernie Shevlin, Mary Aherne & family, Ann Breslin (INT)
- 6.30pm:** Michael Moriarty (RIP), Clara Clemson, Sarah Grey, Daine O'Donnell (ANN), Bridget Lonergan (Bunty) (INT)
- Mon 12th 9:30am:** Michael Moriarty, Kathleen Townsend, Romeo Pimi (RIP), Mary Philomena Kelly (ANN), Patrick Spratt (Get well) (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
- Tue 13th St. Martin I 9:30am:** Alan & Felicity Harrison, Marjorie & Joe O'Connor (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
- Wed 14th 9:30am:** Daljit Mangat (INT) **7:00pm (Online)**
- Thur 15th 9:30am:** Sue Roberts, Gladys Gardner (ANN) **7:00pm (Online)**
- Fri 16th: 9:30am:** Nancy Tamsett (RIP), Beryl Sturt (ANN) **7:00pm: (Online)**
- Sat 17th 9:30am:** Philip & Tunu Etim-Bassey, Ekanem & Uche Ekanem, Ushang (INT)

Please Pray for...

Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Anne Quinlan, Ann Larkin, Philip O'Connor, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Rebecca Ononogbo, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Maria Cecile Perine, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Caroline de Vasconcellos, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Diane Sewell, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Special intention, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Fr Kevin, Paani Dias, Anonymous

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit
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 Pastorals/Devotions: Confessions Sat. 11.30am & 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am, Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays (New time) 9.30am – 10.45pm. Legion of Mary: First Wed. 6.30pm, Monday Prayer Group: 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm
 Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Like new-born infants you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

OPENING PRAYER

God of everlasting mercy, who in the very recurrence of the paschal feast, kindle the faith of the people you have made your own, increase, we pray, the grace you have bestowed, that all may grasp and rightly understand in what font they have been washed, by whose Spirit they have been reborn, by whose Blood they have been redeemed. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever.

FIRST READING Acts 4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect. None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 117)

R. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.

Let the sons of Israel say:
"His love has no end."

Let the sons of Aaron say:
"His love has no end."

Let those who fear the Lord say:
"His love has no end."

The Lord's right hand has triumphed;
his right hand raised me up.

I shall not die, I shall live
and recount his deeds.

I was punished, I was punished by the Lord,
But not doomed to die.

The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.

This day was made by the Lord;
We rejoice and are glad.

SECOND READING 1 John 5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is – keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world – our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God: Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness – since the Spirit is the truth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe." Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the

R. holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe'. Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said.

R. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

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PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Accept, O Lord, we pray, the oblations of your people and of those you have brought to new birth, that renewed by confession of your name and by Baptism, they may attain unending happiness. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do

not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of the paschal Sacrament may have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts. Through Christ our Lord.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm

Sun. 9.00am

Sun. 11.30am

Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Bridget O'Dea

Rachel McGonigal

Mark Renner

Tracey Shevlin

Stewards

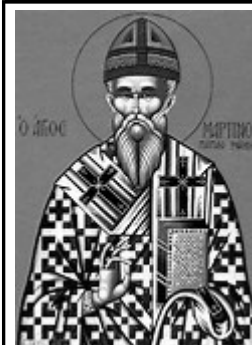
Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers/Bernie S

Gabriel Essien-Oku / Essien Ekpenyong-Oku

Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh

Precious Ohiambe

FEAST OF THE WEEK



St Martin I

Feast Day: 13th April

Martin was born in the Italian city of Tuscany. He became a deacon and served in Rome, where he acquired a reputation for education and holiness. Pope Theodore I chose Martin as his representative to the emperor in Constantinople during a period of theological controversy between the imperial capital and the Roman Church. During the 7th century, authorities within the Byzantine Church and empire promoted a version of this heresy known as "monothelism." This teaching acknowledged that Christ had two natures – human and divine – but only one will: the divine. Martin inherited this controversy when he succeeded Theodore as Pope and at the Lateran Council of 649, condemned monothelism completely and denounced those who held to it. To refuse to acknowledge Christ's distinct divine and human wills, he believed, was to deny the biblical teaching that Christ was like humanity in everything other than sin. Thereafter, the Byzantine emperor ordered that he should be arrested or killed. The attempt to assassinate him failed and he was later exiled for a year, brought back as a prisoner and was sentenced to death. At the last moment, the Patriarch of Constantinople banished him again to an island. He was separated from the rest of the world and deprived of the means to live, as he wrote to a friend, because of the severe famine on the island. He died in exile in 655 and his relics were later brought back to Rome. The Third Ecumenical Council of Constantinople eventually vindicated Pope St. Martin I, by confirming in 681 that Christ had both a divine and a human will.

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise You,

We bless You,

We adore you,

We glorify You,

We give You thanks for Your great glory.

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world,

receive our prayer.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father,

have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord.

You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,

the Father Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried;

He descended into hell;

on the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father Almighty;

from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Holy Catholic Church,

the communion of Saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting. Amen.

Key Notes:

Parish Safeguarding Officer: Percy Aggett (Temporary) 02077989350 Email: tollingtonparksg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk

- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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