

# NEWS AND VIEWS

## Change in Time for the Parish Weekday Masses from April 25th to June 4th, 2022.

As a result of the annual priests retreats and annual leave of Fr. David; and to accommodate time schedules of Frs. Ben & Oliver in school and hospital respectively there is the need to shift our weekday Mass time from **12.00 noon to 10.00 am**. Please do bear with us for any inconvenience this change might cause you. Our weekday Mass time will return to its normal schedule, 12.00 noon, from June 6, 2022. Remain bless

### Parish Priests on Retreat

Frs. Ben & David will be away from the Parish for their annual retreat from Monday, April 25th to Saturday, April 30th. Fr. Oliver will be joining the second batch for his own retreat in May. Thus, he will be available to help in the parish weekday Masses during the aforementioned dates. We thank him immensely.

### Fr. David's Annual Leave.

Fr. David will be due for his annual home leave after two years stay in the UK. He will be away from May 2<sup>nd</sup> to June 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2022. Frs. Ben & Oliver will be available to supply for both the weekday and weekend Masses in our parish during the absence of Fr. David. To accommodate their time schedules in School and hospital respectively there will be change in the time for the parish weekday Masses during the aforesaid period of Fr. David's annual leave. We thank our priests, Frs. Ben. & Oliver immensely for their generosity of heart.

**Fr Aodh's Memorial Mass** will be held on Saturday the **28th of May** at **2pm** here in our parish. May his soul and the souls of the faithful rest in peace.

**Ghana Catholic Chaplaincy** will be meeting here in our parish after 11.30am Mass on the 1st of May, 2022. Calling on all Ghanaians in the parish to join at this Mass and thereafter at the meeting.

**Calling On All Young-Adult Catholics** If you are between the ages of 18-45, **join us at 7:00 pm in the St Gabriel's meeting room**. Every Tuesday there will be the chance to meet other young Catholics, pray together and grow in our faith. There will be refreshments available. If you would like to know more, contact John and Alessandra Knight on [john.knight@rcm.ac.uk](mailto:john.knight@rcm.ac.uk) or on **07512781274**.

**First Holy Communion 2021/2022 diary dates:** **May** 8th, 15th, **Jun.** 5th, 12th at 10.15am, Saturday 18th June Reconciliation & Rehearsal at 10am. Please enter through the parish car park. **Sunday 19th June @ 11.30am Celebration of First Holy Communion.**

**100 Club** draw takes place on Friday 6 May after the Parish quiz on Zoom. Subscriptions can be handed in at church this weekend or at the presbytery by Wednesday 4 May **at the latest**. Another draw for a £20 prize for subscribers who have not ever won will take place before the main draw. New members welcome!

**Christian Stewardship:** (17th April 2022) **Envelopes:** £301 **Loose:** £565.60 **Contactless:** £157.27 We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support of our parish.

## April Diary

Every Saturday at 10.30am: **Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions**

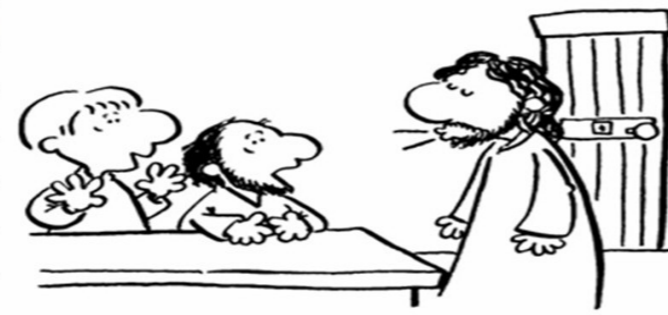
Every Last Saturday at 12noon: **Baptism**

Every 1st Friday: 12 noon **Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction**

8pm **Parish Zoom Quiz night followed by 100 Club Draw**

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**EVENING PEACE JOY TWIN**      **DAY HANDS FATHER HOLES**      **DOORS SIDE BREATHED NAILS**      **FEAR DISCIPLES FORGIVE FINGER**



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



**Teacher:** "If I gave you 2 cats and another 2 cats and another 2, how many would you have?"  
**Johnny:** "Seven."  
**Teacher:** "No, listen carefully... If I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"  
**Johnny:** "Seven."  
**Teacher:** "Let me put it to you differently. If I gave you two apples, and another two apples and another two, how many would you have?"  
**Johnny:** "Six."  
**Teacher:** "Good. Now if I gave you two cats, and another two cats and another two, how many would you have?"  
**Johnny:** "Seven!"  
**Teacher:** "Johnny, where in the heck do you get seven from?!"  
**Johnny:** "Because I've already got a cat!"



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## + 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Year C

24th April 2022



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.

## REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

### Reflection for the Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Today is the second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) - Divine Mercy Sunday is celebrated on the Second Sunday of Easter, which concludes the Octave of Easter. In it, we celebrate the mercy that God shows to the world by sending his Son to die for our salvation. In today's gospel, Jesus appears to His disciples who were still wrapped in fear of the Jewish Authorities. His appearing to his disciples was very significant, first to convince them that the resurrection was true and real and to restore their faith and peace. Also, His appearance to them was to empower them spiritually. As such, "He breathed on them saying: Receive the Holy Spirit." Christ's visit restored their courage and faith. Like the disciples we are to be aware that doubt and fear limit the greatest effort and power in the world. They make it difficult for one to believe the wonders of God. We must expel the spirit of doubt and fear from our lives in order to experience the power of the resurrected Christ. The power of Christ's resurrection brings healing and peace to our body and soul. It also restores us to life. This was the reason God resurrected Christ. Paul says of this power, "If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, he who raised Christ from the dead will also give life to your mortal bodies" (Rom 8. 11). Today, Jesus reassures us of His living presence with us in a more tangible, powerful, and glorified way. We, therefore, need to tap from His resurrection power to live as he lives. However, before we can experience this power and witness it as the apostles did, we must first cast away all doubts and fears. Thus, our situation must shift from doubting to the manifestation of a living and active faith in the One who has overcome the power of death by rising from the dead (risen Christ). Happy Easter.

### Mass Times & Intentions 24th – 30th April 2022

**Sat 23rd Vigil 6:30pm:** Brendan Nelson, Sharon Gaudio (RIP), Catherine O'Meara, Nancy McLoughlin 9th (ANN), Priests & Parish Office, Sophie Coleman, Philip & Tunu, Ekanem & Uche, Amy & Larry, Udoh family, Emo & Paddy, Stella Anakor (INT)

**Sun 24th 9:00am:** Kathleen Shaughnessy, Jean Daines, Fr Kevin (RIP), Agnes Howers (ANN), Priests & Parish Office, Theresa Reilly, Rita Avanzi, Kathleen Panayiotou, Shirley Anne, Angela Fairbank (INT)

**11:30am:** Johnny & Hannah Donoghue, Paddy Farragher, Ann Fitzgerald, Mary McCarthy, Jeanette Ete, Fr Kevin (RIP), Anne Mahoney, Bernie Shevlin, Ange-Marie Yao (INT)

**6:30pm:** Peter Tracey, Deceased members of Leane family, Dan & Patrick Regan, Jim & Julia O'Sullivan, Danny Harnedy, Joe Brickley (RIP) Anna Gallogley, Joe Carr (INT)

**Mon 25th St. Mark 10:00am:** Pietro Piroli, Carlo Avanzi, Simon Roy Springett, Kathleen Anne Kitson, Christine Warren (RIP), Russell family (INT)

**Tue 26th St. George 10:00am:** Theresa Mackessy (RIP), Lynne Haslam (INT)

**Wed 27th 10:00am: People of the Parish**

**Thur 28th St. Peter Chanel 10:00am:** Belinda Bidwell (ANN)

**Fri 29th St. Catherine of Siena 10:00am:** Carlo Avanzi, Pietro Piroli (RIP), May de Rooy, Joy Bennetts (ANN)

**Sat 30th St. Pius V 10:00am:** Nigel Scully (ANN), Sam Haslam, Rica Coelho (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Cornelia Henshaw, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Geraldine McKeane, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Fr. Aodh, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Debbie Whitehead, Emo Paddy Essang, Melissa Fallon, Madeleine, Jimmy Mills, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Ann Colbert, Rita Atuanya

### Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

**Parish Priests:** Fr. David Atuanya CSSp, Fr. Benedict Baka CSSp, Fr. Oliver Ugwu CSSp

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**Pastorals/Devotions:** Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary:** Sun. 10.30am

**Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction:** First Fridays (New time) 12noon **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 newborn 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 5:12-16

The faithful all used to meet by common consent in the Portico of Solomon. No one else ever dared to join them, but the people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. So many signs and wonders were worked among the people at the hands of the apostles that the sick were even taken out into the streets and laid on beds and sleeping-mats in the hope that at least the shadow of Peter might fall across some of them as he went past. People even came crowding in from the towns round about Jerusalem, bringing with them their sick and those tormented by unclean spirits, and all of them were cured.

## 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.”

R.

I was thrust, thrust down and falling but the Lord was my helper.

The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour.

There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just.

R.

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.

R.

## SECOND READING Apocalypse 1:9-13. 17-19

My name is John, and through our union in Jesus I am your brother and share your sufferings, your kingdom, and all you endure. I was on the island of Patmos for having preached God's word and witnessed for Jesus; it was the Lord's day and the Spirit possessed me, and I heard a voice behind me, shouting like a trumpet, 'Write down all that you see in a book.' I turned round to see who had spoken to me, and when I turned I saw seven golden lamp-stands and, surrounded by them, a figure like a Son of man, dressed in a long robe tied at the waist with a golden girdle. When I saw him, I fell in a dead faint at his feet, but he touched me with his right hand and said, 'Do not be afraid; it is I, the First and the Last; I am the Living One. I was dead and now I am to live for ever and ever, and I hold the keys of death and of the underworld. Now write down all that you see of present happenings and things that are still to come.'

## 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 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. 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.

## 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 this 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

Joanna Hemingway  
Maureen Tayler  
Ignatius Etukudoh  
Bridget O'Dea

## Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Bernie Shevlin/Jeanette Fayers  
Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku  
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh  
Joseph Ogbonna

## The Prayer Of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

## 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.

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- 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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