

NEWS AND VIEWS

Easter Message: Beloved parishioners and friends, Easter is the message for this season – that there is always light at the end of the tunnel. Jesus kept the faith on the cross even when emptied of every human and divine consolation. He surrenders to God whom he cannot at that moment feel but only trust. And his faith did not fail him. His resurrection vindicates him. Easter joy celebrates that in Jesus we shall all triumph at last. The grace of the Risen Lord has sustained the Church for 2000 years through her persecutions, sufferings, heresies, divisions, corruptions, scandals, disappointments, and reforms. This grace can remove sadness from our hearts, doubts from our minds and complacency from our souls, replacing these with joy, renewed faith and a new zeal. This grace is being poured out on us today and through this season. All we need to do is to open ourselves to receive it and stake claim to the power of the Risen Lord in our lives. We thank all the volunteers and the Parish Office that worked hard to support our celebrations. Happy Easter!!!

Fr David Fr Ben Fr Oliver

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 2nd to June 2nd, 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.

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

Fr Kevin McDevitt's Memorial Mass will be held on Saturday the 23rd of April at 12noon here in our parish. May his soul and the souls of the faithful rest in peace.

Appreciation: The Fitzgerald family will like to thank all those who have showed and are still showing them support while the mourn the death of their mum Ann Fitzgerald. Mass has been offered for all from the family.

First Holy Communion 2021/2022 diary dates: Apr. 24th, May 8th, 22nd, 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.**

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.

Christian Stewardship: (10th April 2022) **Envelopes:** £263. **Loose:** £365.62 **Contactless:** £103.37 We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support of our parish.

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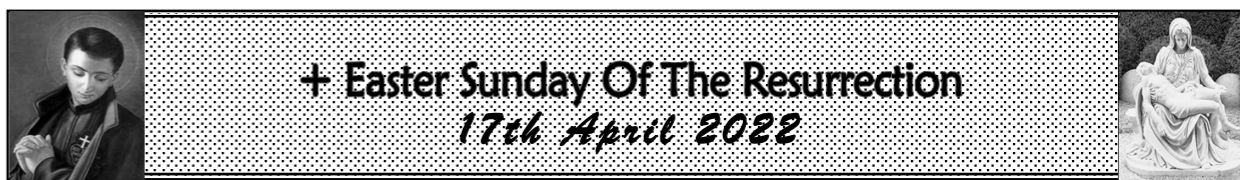
We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



A Sunday School teacher was attempting to teach her young students the true meaning of Easter. "Why do we celebrate Easter?" she asked. When the children replied 'because of the Easter bunny,' Easter eggs, candy, spring, etc., she said, "No, those are Easter traditions and symbols, but what is the REASON why we celebrate Easter? What happened at the very first Easter?" A little girl raised her hand and said, "Easter celebrates Jesus coming out of the tomb." "Yes!" said the teacher, excited and relieved that finally the correct answer had surfaced. Encouraged, she prompted, "Jesus arose from the tomb, and what does He do for us?" The youngster replied, "He looks to see if he can see his shadow, and if He can, he goes back in for another six weeks."



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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

EASTER TIME
 Easter Time opens with the solemn celebration of the **Easter Vigil**. By a most ancient tradition, this night is regarded as "the Mother of all holy vigils," since it is the night when the Church awaits in prayer *the Resurrection of the Lord* and celebrates *the Sacraments of Christian Initiation*. The Easter Time ends on Pentecost Sunday. This time, which lasts fifty days, leads the faithful to a deeper understanding and experience of the presence of the Risen Lord in their midst. The Resurrection of the Lord is the foundation of our Christian faith and that is why the Church offers us the opportunity to reflect and pray about it for such a long time. The Mass of **Easter Sunday**, the greatest solemnity in the liturgical year, should be celebrated with great solemnity. At this Mass, in place of the penitential act, all are sprinkled with water blessed on Easter night, to recall their baptism. The sequence, found in the Lectionary, may be sung or recited. The renewal of the Baptismal Promises may be inserted instead of the Creed. At the dismissal, the double alleluia is added. The **Octave of Easter** enables the faithful to celebrate for eight days the great mystery of the Resurrection of the Lord. The weekday Masses retain the solemnity of Easter Sunday especially through the singing of the Gloria, the proclamation of the Resurrection appearances and the double alleluia at the dismissal. During the **Sundays of Eastertide**, the Church invites us to contemplate the Risen Lord and to experience His presence in our midst especially through the sacrament of the Eucharist. With great joy we have come together today to celebrate the resurrection of the Lord. The Lord is risen indeed, Alleluia! Today we proclaim to the world a message of hope: Christ is risen, do not despair! Today we proclaim eternal life to all who have died in faith. Today we proclaim joy to all who think their life is a failure or a disaster. Christ is alive in our midst. He has risen from the dead to be with us in body and soul, as man and as God. The greatest joy we can have is to encounter the living Lord and to know Him personally. This is our faith, which we proclaim today. *HAVE A SPIRIT-FILLED EASTER CELEBRATION!*

Mass Times & Intentions 17th – 23rd April 2022
Sun 17th 9:00am: Vanessa Evelyn, Aureem Vitali (1st) (ANN), Essien-Oku Family, Aroko & Ekhaton families, Nsikan Udoh family (INT)
11:30am: Fr Kevin McDevitt, Bro James Cassey, Michael Mangan, Una Burns, Assunta Turin, Jeanette Ette (RIP), Augustin Jn Baptiste, Magdalena Jn Baptiste, Mary Herlihy (ANN), Ignatius Etukudoh, Michael Quirke, Bridie Ronan, Amaobi Maduako (INT)
NO EVENING MASS
Mon 18th 12 noon: Fr Kevin McDevitt, Bill Ronan, Jeanette Ette (RIP) *Dee-Arn Sewell* (INT)
Tue 19th 12 noon: Kitty Keane (RIP), Jill Fellerman, Mary McAndrew, Patrick McAndrew, (ANN), Fr David (INT)
Wed 20th 12 noon: Kitty Keane, Angela Somers, Gertie O'Connor (RIP), Mary Wiltshire (ANN), Ann Colbert (INT)
Thur 21st 12noon: Louis Coelho, Gertie Boyle (RIP)
Fri 22nd 11:30am: 12 noon: Anastasia Shackell (ANN), Rosemary Tayler & Richard Hill, Jeremy Platten (INT)
Sat 23rd 12 noon: Memorial Mass For Fr Kevin McDevitt

Please Pray for:
 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, 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 Toghner, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroti, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, 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

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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

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

OPENING PRAYER

O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life. 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 10:34-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: "You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses – we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead – and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 117)

R. **This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.**

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."

R.

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me.
I shall not die, I shall live and recount his deeds.

R.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.

R.

SECOND READING Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed -and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your

glory with him.

SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; and Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to his Father reconciled. Death with life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion, slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as he rose! The angels there attesting; shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: he goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious king, thy mercy show.

Latin:

Victimae paschali laudes
immolent Christiani.
Agnus redemit oves:
Christus innocens Patri
reconciliavit peccatores.
Mors et vita duello
confluxere mirando:
dux vitae mortuus,
regnat vivus.
Dic nobis Maria,
quid vidisti in via?
Sepulcrum Christi viventis,
gloriam vidi resurgentis:
Angelicos testes,
sudarium et vestes.
Surrexit Christus spes mea:
praecedet vos in Galilaeam.
Scimus Christum surrexisse
a mortuis vere:
tu nobis, victor Rex, miserere.
Amen, Alleluia.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL John 20:1-9

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb" she said "and we don't know where they have put him." So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who had reached the tomb first, also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Exultant with paschal gladness, O Lord, we offer the sacrifice by which your Church is wondrously reborn and nourished. Through Christ our Lord

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
Therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your Church, O God, with unfailing love and favour, so that, renewed by the paschal mysteries, she may come to the glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord.

Mass

Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am

Readers

Maureen Taylor
Mark Renner

Stewards

Gabriel Essien-Oku / Essien Ekpenyong-Oku
Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh

NO EVENING MASS

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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