

FROM THE DIARY

Sun 21st April EASTER SUNDAY	Mass at 7.45am, 9am, 10.30pm, 12noon, 3.30pm (Polish) <i>no evening Mass, church closes 4pm.</i>
Mon 22nd April Monday within Easter Octave	Bank Holiday—church closes at 12noon 9.30am Polish Mass 11am Mass
Tue 23rd April Tuesday within Easter Octave	7pm Church Cleaning, Angela's Team
Wed 24th April Wednesday within Easter Octave	<i>Office closed as usual</i> 11am Funeral of Giuseppe Vaccaro RIP 7pm Holy Hour 7.30-9pm Yrs 7,8&9 Youth Club, Large Hall
Thu 25th April Thursday within Easter Octave	<i>No 9.35am Mass</i> 10.30am Funeral of Joan Stripp RIP
Fri 26th April Friday within Easter Octave	Friday within the Octave of Easter
Sat 27th April Saturday within Easter Octave	10-11.15am FHC 6, School 10-11am Catechism, Newman Room 11.30am Baptism of Sienna Tarka, Amelia Cutri, Leon Hardwicke, Noëlle Dale
Sun 28th April	Second Sunday of Easter
Mon 29th April St Catherine	12noon Funeral of Llewellyn Paes RIP
Tue 30th April St George	11.30am Funeral of Máiréad Jordan RIP
Wed 1st May Easter Feria	<i>Office closed as usual</i> 7.30pm 'No Agenda' prayer & praise 7.30-9pm Yrs 7,8&9 Youth Club, Large Hall
Thu 2nd May St Athanasius	10am Mass bookings for June commence
Fri 3rd May-1st Fri Ss Philip & James	10am-6.30pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 6.45pm Stations of the Cross 7.30pm Mass
Sat 4th May English Martyrs	5.15pm Children's Choir Practice, Small Hall
Sun 5th May 3rd Sun Easter	1.30pm Baptism of Marlee Gill 3-5pm Baptism Preparation Course, Newman Room 5.30pm Worship Band play

MASS TIMES

Sunday (Sat 6pm), 7.45am, 9am, 10.30am, 12noon, 3.30pm (Polish) & 5.30pm

Daily 9.35am; 9.10am Morning Prayer (Mon-Fri); Rosary (Sat)

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession) : Sat 10-10.50am & 5.15 - 5.45pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament : Mon & Fri 4-5pm, Sat 10-10.50am

Weds : 2nd, 4th & 5th 7pm Holy Hour; 1st & 3rd 7.30pm 'No Agenda' prayer & praise

Thursday : 7pm Rosary Hour Friday : 7pm Stations of the Cross

St Monica's Church, Palmers Green

A parish of the Roman Catholic Diocese of Westminster

Newsletter
For
2 weeks

EASTER SUNDAY
& SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

21st
& 28th April
2019



Happy Easter to all from Fr Mehall & the Parish Team

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Parish Secretary: Monica Maxted Jones Polish Chaplain: Fr Krzysztof Chaim 07902 432343

Parish Office hours: Mon, Tue, Thu & Fri 9.30am-2.30pm (closed Wednesday)

PARISH NOTICES

We pray for Giuseppe Vaccaro, Joan Stripp, Llewellyn Paes, Máiréad Jordan, Salvador ('Cyril') Mendes, Joseph ('Pip') Zanelli, Michael Cassidy, who have died recently and Mary Garvey, Madeleine Latham-Fox, Bridget Hampson, Delia Flaherty, Francis Johnstone, Josephine Moore, Edward Ryan, Ellen Cronin, Eileen Purtill, Christopher Bray, Lisa Ward, Martin Cassidy, Kathleen Kelly, Shaun King, James Noone, Maureen O'Connor, Frank O'Kane, Carole Owen, Daphne Gomez, Denis Kelleher, Rina Husain, James Hennessey, Eta Williams, Mary Fernandes, Lina Beschizza, Phyllis McDonnell, John Moruzzi, Catherine Ryan, Brigida Curran, Stephen & Josephine Carey, Eugene Brance, Albino Iacovone, Carmelina Verde, Peter Beekmeyer, Rina Perdoni, Maria Sotiri, Pierina Rodi, whose anniversaries occur now.

Please Pray for Sick and Housebound Parishioners

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Acts 5:12-6, Apoc 1:9-13, 17-19, Jn 20:19-31

READINGS FOR 5th MAY

Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41, Apoc 5:11-14, Jn 21-1-19

TODAY

The Catenians would like to wish all parishioners a very Happy Easter. Thank you to all those who entered the drawing competition. The winners will be announced soon and the fantastic creations from all age groups are on display in the porch. **Easter eggs** are being given out to the children after Mass on Easter Sunday to reflect the joy of the season.

Volunteers urgently needed to help with the weekly count. Please contact Fr Mehall if you are able to help (midweek). Thank you.

SACRAMENTS

Baptism Preparation The next course will take place on Sunday 5th May in the Newman Room. Please contact the parish office to enquire about booking on to the course. Dates for Baptism cannot be set until the course has been completed. If you live outside the parish, a letter of permission from your local parish priest is required.

YOUTH NEWS

Wed 24th April & 1st May Years 7,8&9 Youth Club, Large Hall.

PARISH GROUPS

St Monica's Life Group will meet next on 29th April at 5pm in the Newman Room. Please join us for prayer and fellowship as we look for ways to make our culture a culture of life.

Week of Guided Prayer at St Monica's, 9-15th June, facilitated by Mount Street Jesuit Centre. An invitation to: take some time out; deepen your relationship with God; explore new ways of praying; share with an experienced prayer guide. Please take a booking form from the porch (places are limited).

Children's Choir sing at the 6pm (Sat) Mass once a month. The choir is open to any child in Years 4-8. For more information, pick up a leaflet in the porch or contact Christine on callenN4@aol.com or 07966 140508. The next practices will be on Saturdays 4th & 11th May, to sing at the 6pm Mass on 11th.

Prayer Ministry You can be prayed with on Wednesday mornings after Mass and after the evening Mass with the Worship Band on the 1st Sunday of the month.

Parish Mass & Hymn books If you have taken one home by mistake, please return it to the church. Thank you.

Legion of Mary has 2 statues of Our Lady for family prayers at home during May. Please contact Gloria on 020 8360 3554 if you would like to borrow one.

PARISH SOCIAL

Parish Centre The bar has now closed and will not re-open. For the time being, the Parish Centre remains available for parish groups who wish to use it and to parishioners who wish to hire it for children's parties. All use of the building **must** be booked through Annette who will confirm whether rooms are available. Please contact her on 07955 037251 or at palmergreenpcadmin@rcdow.org.uk

DIOCESAN EVENTS

Cardinal's Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony Westminster Cathedral, Sat 8th June, 3pm. For those celebrating their 5/10/25/30/40/50/60th (& every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2019, please give these details to the parish office: husband & wife's names, wedding date, address & email (or tel no. if no email) by 24th April.

CHARITY FUNDRAISING

Finchley Catholic High School Annual Golf Day Friday 14th June. £65/head, including dinner, at South Herts Golf Club. For more details contact

nscott@finchleycatholic.org.uk

Walk in aid of Cancer Research UK on Sunday 28th April at 11am. Please call Pauline for a sponsor form or if you would like to sponsor someone on 020 8808 1268 or via this website <https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/team/st-ignatius-sponsored-walk-2019>

The Nightingale Pyjama Walk Fri 17th May, 6.30pm. In aid of the Cancer Support Centre. For details see <https://www.nightingalesupport.org.uk/product/night-hike-2019/> Poster in the porch.

London Marathon Parishioner Stephen Tims will run in memory of his father Cyril who died of Vascular Dementia. If you would like to sponsor Stephen please visit <http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/stephen.tims> and 2 members of staff from St Ignatius College, (John Dawson & Simon Harris) will run to raise money for Jesuit Missions in memory of Fr Victor-Luke Odhiambo SJ RIP. Please see: <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/John-dawson41> and <https://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/simon-harris-SAVMLMBONDS3332019-143951>

OTHER

Cherry Green Trees (the guide & brownie campsite in Roestock Lane, Colney Heath, AL4 0QH) is open for you to visit the beautiful Bluebell Woods. Sat 27th 10am-4pm, Sun 28th 11am-4pm & Mon 29th 11am-3pm. Light refreshments available and any donation is appreciated towards the upkeep of the Site. All are very welcome. *Doreen*.

March for Life UK Saturday 11th May 9.30am-1.30pm, indoor festival called 'LifeFest19' then gather at 2pm and process across the city for keynote speeches outside. (no booking required to attend the march). For more details see marchforlife.co.uk & poster in the porch.

Later-Life Planning seminar organised by parishioner Mel Kenny. Tue 14th May 2-5pm in the Large Hall, looking at care options, finance and legal matters. For details / RSVP email mkenny@rad-new.com or tel 07952 666625. See poster in the porch.

FINANCE

Thank you for your generosity.

14th April: Envelopes £1142, Loose £1514.

CAFOD to date: £4303.55.

Easter (& Christmas) Offerings are the main source of your priests' annual income. Thank you for your support. Please use the yellow envelopes available in the porch.

Parish Registration We continue to invite parishioners to join the parish database, census forms are available at the back of church. Your details are solely for internal parish use, in accordance with data protection legislation (the GDPR).

Volunteering Caritas has a service to support and develop volunteering in the diocese, to make volunteering as easy as possible for everyone. Please visit the website www.caritaswestminster.org.uk/volunteer where you can find a role for you. Or contact us directly by email caritasvol@rcdow.org.uk or telephone 020 7798 9063 or 07738 183833.

Deadline To ensure notices are included in the newsletter they should be submitted by noon on Wednesday.

The Calix Society offers a Catholic ministry to addicts in recovery and their families. Meetings each Thursday (see poster in porch).

Nursery Room On the right-hand side of the church. Dear Parents, should your child become distressed or wish to play, we have a newly-equipped nursery room (affording privacy for nursing). The Mass is broadcast live on our monitor for parents to continue following the Mass. In the Church toilets, we have baby 'changing facilities'.

St Monica's Baby and Toddler Group If you have a child below school age why don't you try out our group? Term time every Mon and Weds 9.30-11.30am at the Parish Centre £1.50/session. Indoor and outdoor toys, singing and arts & crafts. Please call Ruth on 07748 378984 for more information.

For Mass intentions to be celebrated at St Monica's Church Attend in person or 'phone after 10am on the first working day of the month (eg for a Mass intention for June attend or 'phone the office in May). One Mass may be requested; further Mass intentions, subject to availability, can be requested a week later. We can ask priests in the diocese or overseas to offer your Mass Intention. This can be requested at any time.

Consideration to Neighbours Please park with consideration when attending Mass. Remember, not every car will necessarily be departing immediately after Mass! Younger parishioners please consider walking (or parking further away and walking). Please park only in the marked bays in the Large Hall car park and do not park across or restrict residents' driveways or other access.

Soup & Conversation 12noon-2pm every Wednesday at Grange Park Methodist church, Old Park Ridings, N21. Further details available from 07930 920941.

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single Catholics of all ages (over 18 years) meet other single Catholics, either one to one or through social events. For further information tel 0161 941 3498 or visit www.catholicsingles.org.uk

Car Parking Please only park in marked bays in the car park and not on the hatched areas. If you plan to stay on after Mass, it may be wise to move from the car park afterwards to avoid the possibility of being blocked in.

Health & Safety we take the safety of everybody very seriously and the diocese provides a company who assist us with regular checks of all our buildings. Please observe any safety notices **including in the car park** and let a member of the parish team know if you spot anything of concern.

To all those who volunteer in the Parish in any role: please contact me urgently at palmersgreensg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk if your DBS check (formerly CRB check) is more than 3 years old (2016) - or if you don't have one. These checks are important to safeguard volunteers and the people they help. Thank you. *Jo Day, Parish Safeguarding Representative*