

**Second Sunday of Easter (B) (Divine Mercy Sunday)**

**Acts 4: 32-35; Ps 117; 1 John 5: 1-6; John 20: 19-31**

**Saturday 10th April 2021**  
**5:00 - 6:15pm: Confessions**

6:30pm: Canon Brendan  
 MacCarthy RIP

**Sunday 11th April 2021**

8:30am: Thanksgiving (T. Antony)  
**09:40-10:10: Children's Liturgy  
 of the Word on ZOOM**  
 10:30am: People of the Parish (ZOOM)

**Mon. 12th April 2021 (Feria)**

**07:30-9:00am: Adoration**  
 9:15am: Holy Souls

**Tues. 13th April 2021 (Feria)**

(St. Martin I, Pope and Martyr)  
**07:30-9:00am: Adoration**  
 9:15am: Special Intention (JR)

**Weds. 14th April 2021 (Feria)**

**07:30-09:00am: Adoration**  
 9:15am: Private Intention (DG)  
 11:00am: Holy Mass at Shalom  
 Alison Mulligan RIP LSU)

**Thurs. 15th April 2021 (Feria)**

**07:30-9:00am: Adoration**  
 9:15am: Dennis Opara RIP  
 (Georgina Opara)

**Fri. 16th April 2021 (Feria)**

(St. Bernadette, Religious)  
**07:30-9:00am: Adoration**  
 9:15am: Drane Lekaj

**Sat. 17th April 2021 (Feria)**

11:00am: Holy Mass at Shalom

**Third Sunday of Easter (B)**

**Acts 3: 13-15; 17-19; Ps 4; 1 John 2: 1-5; Luke 24: 35-48**

**Saturday 17th April 2021**

**5:00 - 6:15pm: Confessions**  
 6:30pm: Margaret Coligan RIP  
 (McKie)

**Sunday 18th April 2021**

8:30am: Reginald Stafford  
 (C. Stafford)  
**09:40-10:10: Children's Liturgy  
 of the Word on ZOOM**  
 10:30am: People of the Parish (ZOOM)

**Anniversaries of Death**

Fr. Tony Lawson, Baby Kirsty Evans, Regina Bernard, Gladys Keens, Monica O'Neill, Rose Locke, Violet O'Neil, James Taylor, Nancy Lester, Dennis Kenneally, Audrey (Trixie) Leonard, Cyril Jenkins, Lillian Bryan, Bennie Curran, Eileen McMahan, Baby Bridie Stuchbury, Sister Isabel Montero, Ivan Taylor, Edward Cox, Tom Byrne, Ada and Frank Daletta, Henri Teirlinck, Margaret Coligan, James Stewart, Jim Keenan

**Our faith is the victory over the world**

We believe that Jesus Christ rose from the dead. It is this faith that Jesus is the Son of God which helps us to overcome the world with its temptations and doubts. We have not seen yet we believe. We acknowledge that Christ is Our Lord and our God.



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**Welcome - Worship - Witness**

**FOR ZOOM CODES FOR  
 10:30AM HOLY MASS**

**PLEASE CONTACT ANUSHA ON:  
 anusha\_bala@hotmail.co.uk**

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 tinapsaunders@hotmail.com**



**Christ is  
 Risen:  
 Alleluia!!  
 He is  
 Risen  
 indeed:  
 Alleluia!!**

**His  
 First Gift after  
 Rising from  
 the dead is:  
 to forgive sins  
 in  
 His Name in  
 confession!**

*Jesus, I trust in You!*

**CONFESSIONS**

**MAY BE HEARD**

**- IN THE CHILDREN'S LITURGY  
 ROOM - WHENEVER THE  
 CHURCH IS OPEN, AND**

**BY APPOINTMENT, AND ON  
 REQUEST. PLEASE PHONE OR EMAIL  
 TO ARRANGE A REASONABLE TIME.**

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 and Friday:

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**SUNDAY OFFERINGS: 3RD/4TH APRIL 2021**

**Gift Aid: £750.00 Loose Plate: £956.86 : 173 attended**  
**Holy Places: £144.10 CTiC Food Bank: £100.97**

Thank you for your generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David*

**The Second Collection:**

**This Weekend:** for the Building Fund.

**Gift Aiders can use one of the spare envelopes, but please add your Gift Aid number**, others please use one of the Brown Envelopes available at the Church Door. Thank you for your support.

**Our Repository—Parish Shop**

Please come and support our Parish Shop. We also have Prayer Books, Prayer Cards, Rosaries, various Bibles, “Penny” Catechism, Missals and various Mass Cards. The shop is open throughout the week before and after Holy Mass.

**Second Sunday of Easter (B)**

Good Friday and the death of Jesus on the hill of Calvary had crushed Thomas’ dream of a lifetime and left him deeply wounded, disillusioned and an angry man. He would not easily trust again without crystal clear proof. **“Unless I see the holes that the nails have made in His hands and can put my hand into His side, I refuse to believe”.**

The story of Thomas is instructive and consoling because our path to faith in the Lord Jesus is often a slow walk through moments of doubt and times of confusion which create a rift between ourselves and God. Thomas stands for all of us who travel the road of doubt and at times are unsure of our belief. Doubt for him proved to be a growing point of a faith made stronger when tested.

It is a morning for honest reflection on the depth of our own faith, and a time to ask the Lord to strengthen our conviction and trust in His word.

**Easter Ceremonies**

Thank you to all those who helped with the Easter Ceremonies:

**Readers, Flower Arrangers, Church Decorators, Church Cleaners, the Folk Group** and the **Stewards** and all who helped in any way to make Easter the solemn feast that it is.

**HEAD TEACHER VACANCY**

Following the retirement of the current Head Teacher, the Governing Body of St Joseph’s Catholic Primary School, Old Road, Crayford, DA1 4DZ, wish to appoint an inspirational and dedicated new Head Teacher for this happy and Ofsted rated ‘good’ school. Number of children on roll 213, salary range L13 to L21 (£60,073-£71,666), starting in September 2021. Application details and application form are on the school website

**[www.st-josephs.bexley.sch.uk](http://www.st-josephs.bexley.sch.uk)**  
**Closing date Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> April 2021 at noon.**

**PARISH COLLECTIONS AND GIFT AID**

In early April we will start a new financial year for Gift Aid. This year I am reducing the number of boxes we will be using and changing the numbers. I have also ordered boxes for those who pay by standing order for second collections. Can I ask that all those taking part in the Gift Aid scheme either text or email me to let me know if they are able to carry on with the scheme and if they wish to pay by standing order? Once I have details of those taking part in the scheme next year I will let you know your number so that you can get your box from Father David. If anyone wants to pay by standing order but does not want to take part in the Gift Aid scheme then please get in touch and I will supply details of the bank account. I can be contacted

**by text on 07504 460736 (please DO NOT PHONE ME)**  
**or by email on [thingy.rmg@virginmedia.com](mailto:thingy.rmg@virginmedia.com).**

Thank you all for your support of the Church at this time.

Richard Gillespie (Gift Aid Co-Ordinator).

**The Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday**

Our Lord Jesus says “the soul that will go to confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which Grace flow are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to me, even though its sins be as scarlet”. (Diary entry 699).

*Of your Charity, please pray for the repose of the Souls of:*

**DENNIS OPARA,**

Husband of Georgina Opara, who died on 1st March 2021

*and*

**ANNE SHAW**

Mother of David, Lee Ian, Matthew, Thomas and Lucy, and Grandmother of Bethany, George and Jersey, who died on the 30th March 2021

**Funeral:** Tuesday 4th May at 12 noon

followed by **Committal** at Eltham Crematorium at 1.45pm

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD,  
AND LET PERPETUAL LIGHT SHINE UPON THEM,  
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

**MAY THEIR SOULS, AND THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED  
THROUGH THE MERCY OF GOD REST IN PEACE. AMEN.**

**Please pray for the members of our Parish Family who are sick:**

Anna Idahosa, Anne McGagh, Sr Angela Valentine, Barry Alfred Colville, Canon Jeremiah Cronin, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Catherine Homer, Clare Cooney, Clare Gummert, Fr. John Ryan, Felicity Dyer, Ivor Harper, Jack Pearce, Jackie Dawson, James Farrelly, Linda Rawlinson, Lucy Kiernan, Maria Hanks, Marie Rogerston, Maureen Saunders, Pauline Dansey, Renee Rae, Carmella “Nina” Stafford, Tommy Cox, Veronica Francis

**for all in the NHS and**

**all in self-isolation, quarantine, or effected by Covid-19.**