

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY)

Acts 5: 12-16; Ps. 117; Apoc. 1: 9-13, 17-19; John 20: 19-31

Saturday 26th April 2025

5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS
6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY
 6:30pm: Hanks Family RIP
 (Family)

Sunday 27th April 2025

8am: Divine Mercy Chaplet
 8:30am: People of the Parish
 10:30am: Thanksgiving
 (Emmanuel)

**THE (TRANSFERRED) SOLEMNITY OF
 ST. GEORGE, MARTYR, PATRON OF ENGLAND**
Monday 28th April 2025

8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration
 9:15am: Dec'd Gjoni family
 11:00am Holy Mass at Shalom

**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA,
 VIRGIN AND DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH**
Tuesday 29th April 2025

8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration
 9:15am: Jackie Santo RIP
 (Jim Saunders)

Weds. 30th April 2025 (Feria)
 (ST. PIUS V, POPE)

8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration
 9:15am: Holy Souls
 11:00am Holy Mass at Shalom

ST. JOSEPH THE WORKER
Thursday 1st May 2025

9:15am: Whitaker and Hotine
 Families RIP FM

**ST. ATHANASIUS, BISHOP AND DOCTOR
 OF THE CHURCH**
FIRST FRIDAY

Friday 2nd May 2025
 9:15am: Leonard Moore RIP
 (Joyce Moore)

STS. PHILIP AND JAMES, APOSTLES
FIRST SATURDAY

Saturday 3rd May 2025
*No First Saturday Devotions because
 of Fr David's recent bereavement.*

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41; Ps. 29; Apoc. 5: 11-14; John 21: 1-19

Saturday 3rd May 2025

6:30pm: Luigina Guala RIP
 (Petrino)

Sunday 4th May 2025

8am: Holy Rosary
 8:30am: People of the Parish
 10:30am: Holy Souls (Galibardy)

ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Alice Flynn, Joseph Redmond, Margaretta Ryder, M. Steel, Margaret Byrne, Tom Carter, Michael Keely, John Totman, Ann Bye, Mr. and Mrs. Lamb, Norman Grainger, Margaret Griffith, Kathleen Twomey, Thomas Keaveney, Sr. Doreen Shepherd, Ernest Rice, Kitty Geaney, Laura Jayne Roper, Ivy Taylor, Ellen Regan, May Irwin, Charles Hughes, Bridget Hempenstall, Julia Charteris, Marjorie Masters.

RECEIVE THE HOLY SPIRIT.

Jesus, our risen Lord, bestows His Spirit on us. We believe even though we have not seen that He is our Lord and our God. We are apostles of the resurrection and we now live the life of the spirit. This spirit is for mission. As the Father sent Christ so now we are sent to preach the Good News to all men.



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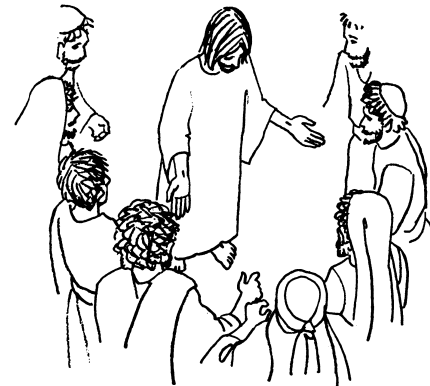
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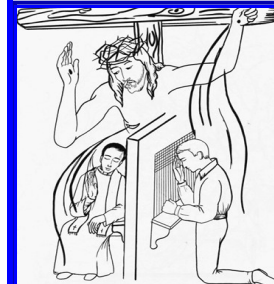
Jesus came and stood among
 them and said to them:

"PEACE BE WITH YOU."

[...] He showed the His hands
 and His side.



The disciples were glad when
 they saw the Lord.



**SACRAMENT OF
 PENANCE -
 CONFESSION -
 SATURDAYS
 5PM TO 6PM
 also, WHENEVER
 THE CHURCH
 IS OPEN, and
 ON REQUEST.**

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS 19TH/20TH APRIL 2025:

Easter: G/Aid: £1,230.84; Card: £100; Loose Plate: £1039.71 ATTENDANCE: 420
Mary's Meals: Loose Plate: £307.70 Holy Places: Card: £10; Loose Plate: £478.76
D/D Offerings: March 2025; £1,642.00

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

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

This Weekend: for **MAINTENANCE OF ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL.**

St. George's Cathedral, Southwark is the mother church of the Diocese. This collection helps to meet the cost of the upkeep of the Cathedral.

Gift Aiders: please use Diocesan envelopes provided.

Next Weekend: for the **BUILDING FUND.**

Gift Aiders: Please use one of the envelopes from the back of your box/bundle.

10th/11th May: for the **PRIEST TRAINING FUND.**

This collection helps to meet the cost of training students for the permanent diaconate and students for the priesthood. It also supports certain forms of ongoing formation of the clergy.

Gift Aiders: please use Diocesan envelopes provided.

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The prayerful atmosphere of this gathering of disciples is interrupted by the disbelief of Thomas. The only way he will believe that Jesus is risen is to put his fingers into the wounds of Calvary. Good Friday had ended all the hopes he had pinned on Christ. It shattered his faith to the point where he makes no attempt to hide his doubts.. Thomas voices the uncertainties and doubts which darken our minds and cloud our faith from time to time, when dreams are crushed. The Gospel points out that faith does not always come easily. Sometimes believing is not a problem, at other times it can be a struggle against despair and a real challenge. Ultimately it is faith that makes life meaningful because it's an adventure of the spirit searching for an encounter with God.

**St. JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL,
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RECEPTION CLASS PLACES AVAILABLE SEPTEMBER 2025

Give your child a loving and nurturing start to their school journey at St. Joseph's.

We have limited spaces available in our Reception Class for September 2025 — only 4 spaces remaining.

- Exception pupil behaviour
- Experienced Teachers
- Excellent learning environment

We welcome applications from all Families. You do not have to be a Catholic to apply for a place in our school.

It is not too late to apply for a place in St. Joseph's for September 2025.

We look forward to hearing from you.

**Archdiocesan
Jubilee
Celebration
Day at
The Friars,
Aylesford
7th June 2025**

A day of prayer,
Reflection,
celebration and fun,
lots of activities for
children and adults.

Please sign up for
the coach in
the reception area:

£15
with subsidies for
families.

St. MARY OF THE CRAY'S COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB

Please add to your diaries the following events to be held in May:

- ♦ **BINGO** on **SUNDAY 4TH MAY** at **12.15PM.** 6 rounds at £1 a card with cash prizes. New this month is a snowball feature on the 5th house which adds a further £1, so £7 for all 6 rounds. Last year Bingo raised £500 towards the club donations to the parish, so come along and find out what all the fun is about.
- ♦ **ANDY'S QUIZ NIGHT** on **SATURDAY 10TH MAY** at **7.30PM.** Enter a team of 6 or come individually and join a team. Entry forms at the bar.
We look forward to seeing you and your families soon and supporting the Parish events.

The Social Club Committee gives notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Club will be held at 7pm on Thursday 15th May 2025 in the Parish Room. All members are welcome to attend.

GIFT AID SCHEME MEMBERS

If you have forgotten your envelope for a particular Mass, please use a brown envelope and write both your gift aid number and your name on the envelope. If you have not yet collected your new box/bundle for this tax year, please speak to either Alex Rees or Mike Whitaker after Mass.

IMPORTANT:

If you have been hand writing number **222** on envelopes, please contact Mike Whitaker as soon as possible at mike@bramernic.com. Thank you.

**ANTI-HUMAN TRAFFICKING AND
MODERN SLAVERY SEMINAR**

Caritas Southwark and the Santa Marta Group are hosting a Seminar to discuss Modern Slavery and Anti-Human Trafficking on **Wednesday 30th April** at **St. Stephen's Church** in **Welling, 6.30-8.30pm.**

Come and find out about more about the realities facing victims of trafficking and how the Church is responding.

CHURCH CLEANING

If anyone thinks they could give an hour or two once a month to help clean the Church you would be helping us greatly. Please contact me on **01322 271 058.** I look forward to hearing from you. **Valerie**

100 CLUB

Come and join our 100 Club. Please see Jim Saunders. It is a great way to raise Parish funds and for the Building Fund. Your continued support is always appreciated. Thank you.

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

Anita Claridge, Anna Idahosa, Barry Alfred Colville, Bernard Glazier, Bernie Francis, Bridget Whitaker, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Catherine Edmeades, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Christina Redmond, Clare Cooney, Erin, Fr. John Ryan, Fr. Morty O'Shea, Felicity Dyer, Jackie Dawson, Joan Veronica McCormack, Linda Rawlinson, Liz Algar, Luc Fitzpatrick, Margaret Harrington, Maria Hanks, Marie Rogerston, Mick Buttifant, Pat Goodwin, Pat McGrory, Patrick Taylor, Pauline Cornell, Pauline White, Richard Hilsden, Rita Pearce and Sean Tansey.

PLEASE, DO YOU KNOW OF ANY ONE ELSE WHO, WITH THEIR PERMISSION, OUGHT TO BE ON THIS LIST?