

# PARISH NEWSLETTER

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER, DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, YEAR C

2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2016

Psalter Week 2

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**THE ANNUNCIATION AND ST AUGUSTINE OF HIPPO CATHOLIC CHURCH**

*(A member of Churches Together in Bellingham)*

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Rev Jeffrey Singleton

## MASS TIMES

Monday to Friday: 9:15am  
Saturday: 6:00pm Vigil Mass with Hymns  
Sunday: 8:30am; Said Mass  
10:30am Family Sung Mass

## EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Mon to Fri (Except First Friday): 8:00am

**1<sup>st</sup> Fri Adoration:** 9:45am to 3:30pm

## MORNING PRAYERS:

Monday to Friday: 8.45am

**ROSARY:** Monday to Friday: 9:45am

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 5:15pm

## WEEKLY OFFICE SURGERY

Every Tuesday 4.00pm to 7.00pm

## PARISH SECRETARY

Ann Williams

## SACRISTAN Ruth McKie

## PARISH SCHOOL

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## WE EXTEND A WARM WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND NEW PARISHIONERS

### PARISH MASS BOOK

This weekend is the Second Sunday of Easter, Divine Mercy Sunday, Year C, page 262 in the Parish Mass Book.

### RESPONSE TO THE BIDDING PRAYER

**Reader:** Father, hear our prayer;

**All:** in the power of the Holy Spirit.

### REMEMBERING THOSE WHO ARE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Our prayers go out to those who are sick and to those who care for them especially: Frank Holmes, Connie Brewer, Catherine Simmons, Marie Avis, Yolanda Whitcher, Mary Smith, Paul Driscoll, Pat Driscoll, Philys Gray, Benedict Perrier, Tom Geiger, Bernadatte Dowswell, Pamela Williams-Jones, Alan Dorey, Maria Ali, Michael Gill, Doris Dalylish, Mary O'Regan, Macdara Keane, Peggy Margaret Davies and Deacon Jeff. If you know any parishioner who is ill, please let the Parish Priest know.

### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES FOR DECEASED RELATIVES

Alice Davis, Jean Leathard, Michael O'Sullivan (senior), Siobhain Mary Baragwanath-McDonnell, Paddy Breen, Patrick McGinty, Arthur Bartlett, Joe O'Regan, Joyce Reading, Alan Wilson-McInerney, Valerie MacFadden, Ted Brewer

### OUR PARISH PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

God our Father, look in love upon our homes, our families and our communities. Raise up from among us worthy priests to preach the Gospel to all peoples, to minister at your altar, and to care for your flock. Fill us all with your Holy Spirit and make us faithful and inspiring witnesses to your kingdom. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY

The group is open to all children between 3-8 years.

This weekend 3<sup>rd</sup> April children liturgists are:

Sunday 10.30am	No children's liturgy
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And next weekend, 10<sup>th</sup> April children liturgists are:

Sunday 10.30am	Augustina
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### SUGGESTION BOX

There is a suggestion box at the back of the Church, please leave any suggestions you may have so that we may become a collaborative parish.

### COLLECTIONS

COLLECTIONS	AMOUNT COLLECTED	AMOUNT GIFT AIDED
Church repair fund	£137.58	£95.11
Maundy Thursday	£106.81	£22.00
Holy Places	£390.72	£135.30
Thank you all for your generosity		

The second collection this weekend, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> April and next weekend, 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> April is for the Parish Repair Fund. Please be generous.

### DIVINE MERCY PRAYER AND ADORATION

There will be a Divine mercy prayer and adoration every Monday to Friday from 3:00pm to 3:30pm in the parish. Interested parishioners are welcome to join in the prayer and adoration.

### READERS FOR THIS WEEKEND 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL

Saturday 8.00pm Mary Malham and Stuart McLaughlin

Sunday 8.30am Gina Percival and Sheila Anderson

Sunday 10.30am Mma Ezeonyeasi and Ife Ezeonyeasi

### READERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL

Saturday 6.00pm Vivien Singleton and Toyin Odumade

Sunday 8.30am Jazmine Ogiesoba and Kevin McInerney

Sunday 10.30am Georgina De Ben Rockson and Celine Umeh

### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> APRIL

Saturday 8.00pm Theresa Offor and Vivien Singleton

Sunday 8.30am Rose Nfonsam and Matilda Assibi

Sunday 10.30am Gloria Ezeonyeasi and Prudencia Ebirilem

### EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup> APRIL

Saturday 6.00pm Augustina Okonji and Teresa Tagg

Sunday 8.30am Sam Assibi and Tyrone Taguiang

Sunday 10.30am Njideka Anyadubalu and Martins Erhabor

### CLEANING OF THE CHURCH

Team B: 8<sup>th</sup> April 6.30pm Cynthia Solomon, Grace McDonald, Maria White, Celine Umeh

Team C: 16<sup>th</sup> April 7.00am Maria Ali, Tina Mante, Stacy Dangare, Maria Bridgeman, Christina Arthur-Davis

DATES	FEASTS	MASS INTENTIONS
Saturday 8.00pm Mass	2 <sup>nd</sup> Vigil Mass: Second Sunday of Easter, Year C	1. Beatrice Beirne all deceased members of the Beirne family 2. Princess Irene Henshaw RIP
Sunday 8.30am Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Second Sunday of Easter, Year C	People of the Parish
Sunday 10.30am Mass	3 <sup>rd</sup> Second Sunday of Easter, Year C	
Monday 9.15am Mass	4 <sup>th</sup> The Annunciation of the Lord, Solemnity Year C	Ngozi and Bernard Nweke praying for God's blessing of fruit of the womb.
Tuesday 9.15am Mass	5 <sup>th</sup> Feria	
Wednesday 9.15am Mass	6 <sup>th</sup> Feria	
Thursday 9.15am Mass	7 <sup>th</sup> St John Baptist de la Salle, Priest, Memorial	Leonard Andrews
Friday 9.15am Mass	8 <sup>th</sup> Feria	Jeffrey and Chelsea Henshaw God's blessings and favour
Saturday 6.00pm Mass	9 <sup>th</sup> Vigil Mass: Third Sunday of Easter, Year C	John Ryan and Baby Jake and Aidan Walsh
Sunday 8.30am Mass	10 <sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Easter, Year C	Janet Pederson RIP
Sunday 10.30am Mass	10 <sup>th</sup> Third Sunday of Easter, Year C	People of the Parish

#### RCIA PROGRAMME

This RCIA programme is for adults who are not baptised or who have been baptised in other churches and wish to be received into full communion with the Catholic Church. Those people interested in the RCIA programme, classes for initiation next year, in 2017, will take place on the fourth Thursday of each month at 7.00pm in the Parish Room.

#### INFANT BAPTISM CLASSES

Baptism classes will take place every second Thursday of the month at 7.00pm in the Parish Room.

#### UCM GENERAL ELECTION

Please be informed that the Union of Catholic Mothers will have their general election of officers on Sunday, 24<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

#### BISHOP CHALLONER SCHOOL VACANCIES

There are various job vacancies at Bishop Challoner School. Please see the noticeboard for further details.

#### \*\*\*ALTAR SERVERS' RALLY 2016

Southwark Altar Servers Annual Rally takes place at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Kent on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2016. Please see the poster at the back of the Church and contact john.bonnici@btopenworld.com to register.

#### \*\*\*EASTER TALKS AT AMIGO HALL, ST. GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL

Please see the poster at the back of the Church publicising a series of talks on well-known saints of mercy.

#### \*\*\*THE NATIONAL PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMS AND THE RELICS OF BLESSED JACINTA AND FRANCISCO – 7/8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2016

The statue of Our Lady of Fatima and Relics will arrive at Saint John Fisher Kidbrooke on Saturday, 7<sup>th</sup> May and will be there for the weekend. Please see the poster at the back of the Church for details.

#### \*\*\*CHILDREN'S LITURGY TEAMS IN LEWISHAM CATHOLIC DEANERY

A morning session to support and inform the parish teams who help with Children's Liturgy takes place on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> April from 10.00am to 1.00pm at the Church of the Resurrection, 165 Kirkdale, Sydenham, SE26 4QL (car parking available). Input from the Diocesan Centre for Catholic Formation (CCF).

#### \*\*\*ACCOUNTANT NEEDED PLEASE

Please speak with Fr Sam after mass if there is an Accountant available to help with the parish accounts for one day.

#### \*\*\*DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

St Edmund's Church in Beckenham will be hosting Divine Mercy Sunday this Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> April from 1.00pm to 5.00pm. Please see the poster at the back of the Church.

#### \*\*\*LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

Do you want to find new ways of enriching your prayer life as a Catholic Christian? Do you feel that you want to be more open to the Holy Spirit? Come experience the power of the Holy Spirit at the Catholic Church of the Resurrection of Our Lord, 165-169 Kirkdale, Sydenham, SE26. Each Friday from 1<sup>st</sup> April to 13<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30pm.

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#### \*\*\*EASTER OFFERINGS

Fr Sam would like to thank you all for your kindness and generosity. Your generous Easter offering is greatly appreciated.

#### REFLECTION

This week the Gospel is chosen because it relates to what happened today eight days after Easter, Jesus comes again to his disciples. The story of Thomas's doubt and faith leads us to think about our doubts and faith but always in the context of being part of the family of the Church. Remember last week, and the baptisms you may have witnessed, or the renewal of your own baptismal promises: "this is the faith of the Church, the faith in which we are baptised."