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# OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER

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### Sunday 24th April 2016 Fifth Sunday of Easter

HE IS RISEN CELEBRATE THE SAVIOR

Psalter Week 1

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

Sixth Sunday of Easter Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 Rev 21:10-14, 22-23 John 14:23 John 14:23-29

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#### Second Collection

Today there will be a second collection for Ukraine following the call of Pope Francis for this to happen across Europe.

Pope Francis said during the Regina Coeli prayer: "I am thinking of the ordeal of those who suffer the consequences of the violence in Ukraine: of those who continue to live in lands that are turned upside-down by hostilities that have caused thousands of deaths, and of those - over a million - who have been forced to leave due to the grave situation that persists"

Bishop Borys Gudziak of Paris has said that officially, ten thousand people have been killed since the conflict erupted between government forces and pro-Russian separatists two years ago; that half a million people have left Ukraine and two million are internally displaced persons.

Germany accepted 1.1 million refugees (Germany has 80 million people), Ukraine (without the affected areas of Crimea and Donbas), has 40 million. And those 40 million accepted two million refugees.

The New York Times has reported that there are 1.5 million hungry people in Ukraine.

Referring to today's collection, Bishop Gudziak says "it is always important to help those who are poor and suffering. And this collection will do that. It will do it without regard for confessional or ethnic background, or language spoken. It will be distributed in a way that it gets to the people who need help." But even more importantly, he says, "it is necessary for Catholics and Christians and all people of good will in Europe to be reminded about what is happening. Many people are unaware that the war is still going on. because of the situation in Syria and Iraq, all of the attention has been moved to the Middle East so people think that the war is finished. But it does continues.

If the war were to continue and the front were to expand, Bishop Gudziak warns, that there could be 5-10 million immigrants fleeing the war, going through Poland, Slovakia, Hungary, to the West. So the situation in Ukraine is very important for Europe. This is why the Holy Father appeals to all of the Catholics in Europe to make a contribution today towards helping the people and to pray for peace. The Holy Father, summons everybody to prayer is very important because we know that prayer moves mountains.

**Confirmation** - Bishop Richard Moth has sent us a letter of thanks for the warm welcome he received at the Confirmation Mass. He gives particular thanks to the catechists for preparing the candidates; to the choir; the altar servers and to all those who did so much to prepare the Church for the Mass. He also congratulates all those who were confirmed and assures us of his continued prayers.

#### **Offertory Collection**

Sincere thanks for your generosity last weekend: Offertory: £910.83 (Gift Aid: £379.34) Second Collection: £403.22 (Gift Aid: £236.81)

#### St Anne's College, Sanderstead Old Girls' Reunion

at Coloma Convent Girls' School, Croydon on Saturday 21st May. For further details please e-mail sacoga@hotmail.co.uk or telephone Fiona Kemp on 01883 342421.

The John Fisher Fete, Bank Holiday Monday 2nd May from 12 until 5pm. Arts and Crafts Market, Sutton Community & Riverford Farm, Rides for children and Adults, Live Music, Morris Dancing, Food, BBQ, Bar and lots more family fun.

John Fisher School Vacancy-**TEACHER OF RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Required from 1**st **September 2016**. See the Parish noticeboard for details.

APF Red Boxes - Would all promoters please collect the contents of the red boxes from their members and either leave it in the presbytery clearly marked with your name and a phone number or hand it to me by 15 May. Would any one in the parish who has a red box but does not have a promoter to collect their money please contact me. Moyra Brohier 342928, Local Secretary, APF Red Boxes.

#### WHAT'S ON IN THE PARISH THIS WEEK

Sun 24th: 9am & 10:45am Children's liturgy

Tea & Coffee after 10:45am Mass 3pm Healing Service & Benediction 3:30pm FHC Session 7B (Old Hall) Tea & Coffee after Mass (Old Hall)

Mon: Tea & Coffee after Mass (Old Hall)
Tues: 9:15am - 11:15am Toddler Group (Old Hall)

Wed: 8pm Journey of Faith (Old Sacristy)
Thurs: 7:30pm SVP meeting (Old Hall)
Sat: 9:15am leave Church for the Day of

Reconciliation (Ramsgate)

Sun 1st: 9am & 10:45am Children's liturgy

Tea & Coffee after 9am & 10:45am Mass

Fr Seán will be away this week. We welcome Fr Anthony Hale who will celebrate Mass and hear confessions for us on Saturday 30th.

#### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2015 /2016

TWO WEEKS TO GO!!! Candidates should remember to collect a badge before Mass. If you are late for Mass candidates **MUST** see a catechist **after** Mass to be registered. You should all now have finished your books and be getting ready for your big day.

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Thursday 5th May, 6pm - rehearsal for 7th May candidates
Thursday 12th May, 6pm - rehearsals for 14th May candidates
Thursday 19th May, 6pm - rehearsals for 14th May candidates
Thursday 19th May, 6pm - rehearsals for 21st May candidates
Sunday 12th June, 10:45am - All Candidates return for Parish
Celebration and tea party.

CONTACTS

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12:30pm) Leila Merrett

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(6 months notice required) - Fr Seán

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**Chair of Parish Finance:** 

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Tuesday Toddlers 9.30am-11.00am:

Kelly Coyne: 07921 030991

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**Parish Youth Clubs:** 

(First Friday during school term 7pm)

Mel Flaherty

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**5th Caterham Scouts** 

Paul Lovell: 07712 436591 paul lovell@rocketmail.com

St. Francis Primary School:

Head teacher: Maria Wheeler

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**Baptisms** - Baby Mason & Luca Sone will be Baptised next week. Please keep them in your prayers.



Are you a Sunday Catholic – or do you sometimes wish you could do more? SVP? J&P? Scouts? IT? Serving? Flowers?

Youth? What is YOUR talent?

- Join us for possibilities and more -

All welcome!

8.00p.m. Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> April,

in the Old Sacristy (next to the Old Hall)

#### THIS WEEK—SERVICES, MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sunday 24th - Fifth Sunday of Easter

9:00am Mass - Elizabeth Leake Ints (P Howlett)

10:45am Mass - People of the Parish

5:15pm Mass - Bernard Darby RIP (C Roofe)

Monday 25th- St Mark NO MASS

**Tuesday 26th -** Easter Feria NO MASS

Wednesday 27th - Easter Feria

NO MASS

**Thursday 28th-** St Peter Chanel / Sister Louis Marie Grignon De Montford NO MASS

Friday 29th - Easter Feria

NO MASS

**Saturday 30th -** Easter Feria / St Pius V

10am Mass - Thanksgiving (D'Souza Family)

Sunday 1st - Sixth Sunday of Easter

9:00am Mass - Madalena Nelli (A Friend)

10:45am Mass - Martina Kilkenny RIP (PJ Ryan)

5:15pm Mass - People of the Parish

Confessions every Saturday 10:30am – 11:00am Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament Saturdays: 9am – 11am



Please remember in your prayers the soul of Anne Sheridan RIP a former parishioner of St Thomas who passed away recently. Anne's requiem Mass will be held at St Anthony of Padua, Fakenham, Norfolk on Thursday, 21 April 2016 at 11:30 am.



# Your Prayers are requested for the following persons who are ill or house-bound:

Pat Knight; Kathleen & John Saunders; Helen Keogh; Daisy Hill; Christopher Browne; Kit Monk; Krista Thompson; Jane Hill; Rosemary Whale; Pam Weaver; Jimmy Mullen; Bernie Horrocks; Margaret Robertson; Heather Tordimah; Jenny Rowen; Elizabeth Daley; Eileen, Mel & Rose Lattimore; Bryan Smith; Rose Knight; Oliver Farrell; Seeta Pillay; Christopher Miles; Pat McCoy; John Dunlop, Elise O'Connor, John Gilford, Chris Norman, Bridget Crook, Baby Tabitha Harrison, Christine Vernon, Peggy Sisman, Maureen Kelly, Val Williams, Mary Wallace, Don Hancock, Gina Waiton & Joe Kelly.

**The Icon of Our Lady of Consolation** visiting each parish in the diocese during this year of Mercy. There will be a healing service with benediction and reconciliation today at 3.00pm.

Day of Recollection at Ramsgate. Please meet at church at 9.15 on Saturday 30th April.



#### CAFOD Vintage Tea - Sunday 1st May (next weekend!)

Back by popular demand – The CAFOD Vintage Tea on Sunday afternoon of the Bank Holiday weekend!

Sandwiches, homemade scones and cakes served on vintage china, as well as a constantly refilled teapot can be enjoyed in style in the Centenary Hall on Sun. 1<sup>st</sup> May. Please purchase tickets as soon as possible – available after all Masses this weekend or telephone Vera (01883 348373). All proceeds to CAFOD (doubled by the government through the UK Aid Match Scheme).

**Day at Woldingham 14th May** - please sign the list in the porch if you are reader or would like to join the readers rota.

Baby Elizabeth Kelly: The family would like to thank everyone for prayers, masses and good wishes during her illness. She is now home and well.