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15 MAY 2022 – 5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR C

THIS SUNDAY’S MASS READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First Reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles: 14:21-27.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 144:8-13. R. cf v.1: I will bless your name for ever, O God my King.

Second Reading: A reading from the book of the Apocalypse: 21:1-5

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: ‘I give you a new commandment: love one another, just as I have loved you.’ Alleluia!

Gospel: John: 13:31-35

Communion Antiphon: I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

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| MASS INTENTIONS | | |
| Sat 14th | 6.30pm | Pro Populo |
| Sun 15th | 8.00am | Amy James, RIP, & her family, well-being |
| Sun 15th | 10.00am | Joe D'Souza |
| Sun 15th | 6.30pm | Holy Souls |
| Mon 16th | 10.00am | Sylvester Onwuka, RIP |
| Tues 17th | 10.00am | Holy Souls |
| Wed 18th | 10.00am | Mary Walsh, RIP |
| Thurs 19th | 10.00am | Holy Souls |
| Fri 20th | 10.00am | Holy Souls |
| Sat 21st | 6.30pm | Pat Taylor, well-being |
| Sun 22nd | 8.00am | Holy Souls |
| Sun 22nd | 10.00am | Jim Young, RIP |
| Sun 22nd | 6.30pm | Pro Populo |

*Weekday Masses are preceded by Morning Prayer (at 9.40am).*

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| LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
| Sat 14th | St Matthias, Apostle |
| Sun 15th | [5th Sunday of Easter](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/EasterSunday.shtml#Easter4) |
| Mon 16th | Weekday of Easter |
| Tues 17th | Weekday of Easter |
| Wed 18th | Weekday of Easter or St John I, Pope, Martyr |
| Thurs 19th | Weekday of Easter or St Dunstan, Bishop (E) |
| Fri 20th | Weekday of Easter orSt Bernardine of Siena, Priest, Religious, missionary |
| Sat 21st | Weekday of Easter orSs Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and companions, Martyrs |
| Sun 22nd | [6th Sunday of Easter](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/EasterSunday.shtml#Easter4) |

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY

Please pray for: Anna Coppola, Stephen Beck, Martin Ford, Chris Jones, Clifford Flynn, Albert Khayyat, Michael Edwards, Michael & Linda Watson, Leslie Jeyadeva, Nicola Gingell, Judy Freegard, Yvonne Bruce, Margaret Bolton, Eddie Aldridge, Jean-Claude Anthony, Maureen Coffey, Patrick Acholonu, Christopher Onyeachom and sick residents at four local residential homes.

SITUATIONS VACANT

There is a vacancy for a year 5/6 class teacher at Good Shepherd school in New Addington. Start date is September. For more details see the school website: [www.goodshepherdprimaryschool.co.uk](http://www.goodshepherdprimaryschool.co.uk)

There is also a vacancy for a lunchtime supervisor at Regina Coeli school in South Croydon. Hours are 11.45am-1.15pm Monday to Friday. For more details email office@reginacoelischool.co.uk

ANNUAL CATHEDRAL MARRIAGE MASS

Are you celebrating your 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or any later wedding anniversary this year? Or did you last year? If so, Archbishop John Wilson invites you to join him in celebrating a Mass for married couples at 3pm on Saturday July 9 at St George’s Cathedral. You need to book in advance and

by doing so you will then receive a personal written invitation from Archbishop John. Children (and grandchildren) are welcome to accompany you to the Mass. To book or for more details email [mflsw@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflsw@rcaos.org.uk)

GIFT AID BOXES STILL UNCOLLECTED

Quite a few new ones with envelopes for 2022-23 are still awaiting collection in the lady chapel. Please check whether your name is on one of them. Don’t take one if you haven’t previously signed a Gift Aid declaration – speak to organizer, Mervyn Ramos (or email him on [mervynm.ramos@gmail.com](mailto:mervynm.ramos@gmail.com)) if you have any queries or wish to join the Gift Aid scheme.

MORE HELP FOR UKRAINE REFUGEES

Grateful thanks to all those who have donated so far. A further Coloma Aid run is planned and the following items are needed: shower gel/soap; shoes (children’s/women’s/men’s); razors; rucksacks; chargers; nappies; incontinence pads; yoga/camping mats; men’s socks (sizes 9-12); t-shirts (M–XL); dog collars.

EASYFUNDRAISING – FREE MONEY!

So far 30 parishioners have signed up and, simply by shopping online at any one of 6,000 retail outlets and at no cost to them, St Columba’s has benefitted to the tune of more than £200. To find out more logon to [www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)

VINE FOOD BANK STILL NEEDS HELP

The items we are short of currently are (in priority order!) - Meat Meals (sausage & beans, meatballs, mince, stews etc), Pasta Sauces, Ham, Corned Beef, Toilet roll, Tuna, Coffee, Nappies 5+, 6 and 6+ and Shower Gel.

The Vine Food Bank very much appreciates our ongoing support. Collection boxes are under the table in the porch of the church. See the church noticeboard or parish website for a rota of deliveries to the food bank.

OBERAMMERGAU PASSION PLAY

Join Bp Paul Hendricks and Anglican Bp Jonathan Clarke on a pilgrimage taking in the famous Passion Play as well as sightseeing in Austria. Dates: May 27-June 3. More details: [toni.suffolk@btinternet.com](mailto:toni.suffolk@btinternet.com) or phone 020 8654 9035.

40 YEARS LATER…

On May 28 Abp John Wilson will celebrate Mass at St George’s Cathedral, Southwark, to mark the 40th anniversary of the visit of Pope St John Paul II to the Cathedral. The Sacrament of the Sick will be administered during the Mass. An exhibition relating to the visit will be open from May 16-30 at the Cathedral. More details: [admin@stgeorges.org.uk](mailto:admin@stgeorges.org.uk)

PARISH SAFEGUARDING CONTACTS

Any concerns about possible abuse of children or vulnerable adults? Contact, in complete confidence:

Gill Tomei (E: [selsdonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:selsdonsg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) T:07787 824 592)

Claire Tucker (E: [selsdonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:selsdonsg2@safeguardrcaos.org.uk) T:07774 659 966)

Richard Mills (E: [selsdonsg3@safeguardrcaos.org.uk](mailto:selsdonsg3@saegurdrcaos.org.uk) T:07956 531 540). All are safeguarding coordinators.

SATURDAY DEVOTIONS TO OUR LADY

Make a note: every Saturday morning there are devotions to Our Lady of Perpetual Help. They last about 20 minutes, starting at 10am and everyone is welcome.

OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

April 24: £1,153 of which £259 is covered by Gift Aid; St Georges Cathedral maintenance fund £255 of which £153 is Gift Aid. May 1: £693 of which £340 is Gift Aid. Many thanks for your offerings.

CHILDREN’S LITURGY

Put your hands together for Pat, Fiona, Davorka, Marlene and Kirsten. They look after your small children in the hall during the Sunday 10am Mass so that they can follow the Mass in a more child-friendly way. That way the kids have time to ask questions about the Gospel that day and understand the Mass better. The team also do an activity to make it all a more memorable experience for the children.

JOIN THE ART GROUP

We meet every Friday in the church hall, from 10.30am-1.30pm. The group does not have a resident tutor: we learn from each other. New members are welcome. Bring along your art materials and join us. We look forward to seeing you.

PARISH CELEBRATION JUNE 12

On June 12, Mass will be at 10.30am NOT 10am. It will be followed by a combined celebration of St Columba’s feast day and the Queen’s diamond jubilee and include a hog roast plus fun galore.