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17 APRIL 2022 – EASTER SUNDAY (YEAR C)

THIS SUNDAY’S MASS READINGS

Entrance Antiphon: I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles: 10:34. 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23. Rv.24: This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad.

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians: 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation: Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed; let us celebrate the feast then in the Lord. Alleluia.

Gospel: John: 20:1-9

Communion Antiphon: Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

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| MASS INTENTIONS | | |
| Sat 16th | 8.30pm | Pro Populo |
| Sun 17th | 8.00am | Michael Jones, RIP |
| Sun 17th | 10.00am | Father Denis Paul, RIP |
| Mon 18th | 10.00am | Colin Hadley, RIP |
| Tues 19th | 10.00am | Paul Clinch, RIP |
| Wed 20th | 10.00am | Donald & Mary Farmer, RIP |
| Thurs 21st | 10.00am | James Madden, RIP |
| Fri 22nd | 10.00am | Holy Souls |
| Sat 23rd | 6.30pm | Lucia Di Maio, RIP |
| Sun 24th | 8.00am | Pa Francis Lokosu, RIP |
| Sun 24th | 10.00am | Elzbieta Niewiadomska (Wedding) |
| Sun 24th | 6.30pm | Pro Populo |

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

A happy, holy and healthy Easter to all

EASTER OFFERING

Easter is traditionally one of only two Sundays in the year (plus Christmas) when the Offertory collection is your personal offering to the parish priest. It’s an opportunity to say ‘thank you’ to Fr Roy and show your appreciation for his commitment to our parish.

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| LITURGICAL CALENDAR | |
| Sat 16th | Holy Saturday |
| Sun 17th | Easter Sunday |
| Mon 18th | Easter Monday |
| Tues 19th | Easter Tuesday |
| Wed 20th | Easter Wednesday |
| Thurs 21st | [Easter Thursday](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/Triduum.shtml#Thursday) |
| Fri 22nd | [Easter Friday](http://www.liturgyoffice.org.uk/Calendar/Sunday/Triduum.shtml#Friday) |
| Sat 23rd | Easter Saturday |
| Sun 24th | 2nd Sunday of Easter |

PRAY FOR THE SICK AND NEEDY

Please pray for: Martin Ford, Chris Jones, Julie Vincent, Clifford Flynn, Albert Khayyat, Vera de Souza, Teresa Trumper, Michael Edwards, Michael Watson, Lourdes Fernandes, 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 residential homes visited by the parish St Vincent de Paul group.

COLLECT YOUR GIFT AID BOX

New ones with envelopes for 2022-23 are now available for collection in the lady chapel. 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.

HELPING THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

Grateful thanks to all those who have donated so far. A further Coloma Aid run is planned and the following items are needed: chocolate eggs (small/creme); 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)

COLOMA REUNION

Calling all Coloma ex-students (and teachers): booking for this year’s reunion (at Coloma on the 23rd is still possible. The day will include a prosecco and canapé reception, lunch and afternoon tea. There will be Mass at 11.15am. More details: 020 8776 0186 or [www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk/community/coga](http://www.coloma.croydon.sch.uk/community/coga)

CALLING ALL ALTAR SERVERS

You are invited (with your parents) to a rally at Aylesford Priory on the May 2 Bank Holiday. There will be a Mass, presided over by our Abp John and St Columba’s has been invited to provide altar servers. Bring a picnic and enjoy some sports in the Priory’s lovely grounds. More details from MC John Fennell.

FANCY A COUNTRY RAMBLE?

There is one being organised for Saturday the 23rd by Churches Together in Selsdon & Addington. All are invited. The route, five miles long, runs through woodland and parkland; no stiles; two short steep ascents. Lunch will be at the Surprise pub where they are holding a traditional East End Day to mark St George’s Day. Meet at St Mary’s church, Addington Village at 10.30am. More details: 07799 108 720.

UCM CHARITY FAYRE

Our May charity fayre is back and will take place after 10am Mass on the 1st. We need lots of donations of bottles, jewellery, books, bric’a’brac, cosmetics and, on the day, plants and cakes. No jumble or DVDS. There is a box in the porch for items donated.

HELP THE VINE FOOD BANK

Most urgently needed are tuna, baked beans, tinned ham, corned beef, sugar, coffee, toilet rolls, washing- up liquid, shower gel and nappies size 3, 6, & 6+. Also needed are tinned veg,

 cereal, biscuits, jam, juice (cordial or long-life cartons), Fray Bentos pies, pasta sauces, ketchup, mayonnaise, household cleaners, bleach and bathroom/kitchen cleaner. 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.

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.

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.

QUESTION A MAYOR FOR CROYDON

There are elections on May 5 for a mayor for Croydon who will hopefully make a big difference in the way Croydon is run. The main candidates are coming to a Q & A session at St Francis’ church, Monks Hill, on Tuesday the 26th at 7pm to answer your questions. All are welcome to attend.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

It will be for the maintenance of St George’s Cathedral at Southwark.

WELCOME MYLO

Mylo Michael Gunther Hayes is being baptised at St Columba’s on Saturday (the 23rd). Congratulations to him and his parents, Kate and Alex.

CATHOLIC WOMEN PRAYING TOGETHER

The CWPR (it includes the Union of Catholic Mothers among its members), is having its annual Mass at 11am on April 28. Venue: The Immaculate Conception, Farm St, London W1. The choir of the John Fisher School, Purley, will sing. All are welcome.

SCRIPTURE ONLINE

Two evening scripture workshops are being organised by the Society of St Gregory: from 7.30-9pm on April 27 and May 11. More details: <https://www.ssg.org.uk/wednesday-workshops-2022/>

WANTED: ALTAR SERVERS

If you were a server before the lockdowns, do come back: we would love to see you in the sanctuary.

Altar serving is an important and fulfilling role at Mass and we would welcome new servers, boys as well as girls. Contact our MC, John Fennell on [thefennells60@gmail.com](mailto:thefennells60@gmail.com) if you are interested.

Applicants must have made their first Holy Communion, so anyone aged eight or upwards is eligible – that includes adults.

 KNOW OF ANYONE IN NEED?

Are you aware of any parishioners living alone or in need? If so, as well as phoning them yourself occasionally to see if they need anything, let Fr Roy or Deacon Philip know of their situation. That way, we can work together to support and help them.