

Our Lady & St. Philip Neri Church

NEWS LETTER

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7th April 2019
Fifth Sunday of Lent
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1st Reading
2nd Reading
Gospel

Isaiah 43:16-21
Philippians 3:8-14
John 8:1-11

THE LORD WHO FORGIVES

Christ came to show compassion and forgiveness for sinners. He condemned sin but let the woman guilty of adultery go free with the reminder that she was to sin no more. None of us is perfect; we can only hope that we will be saved. We suffer in this life, but can accept the loss of everything as so much rubbish if we can only have Christ and be given a share in his resurrection. In this way God, through Christ, is doing something new and is calling us from sinfulness to a life of service.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

Universal: For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war zones, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.



THE SEASON OF LENT

The season of Lent reminds us of Christ's call to us to change the direction of our lives, to turn away from sin and walk in the path of the Gospel. Repentance means constantly taking stock of our lives so that we avoid becoming complacent. Even though we have been baptised, we are still inclined to sin. During the season of Lent we are called to have a change of heart and to put Christ's message at the forefront of our minds.

MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS

Sat 6 th	6.30 _{pm}	† Margaret Fennessy RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 7 th	9.30 _{am}	† Bridget Kelly RIP	Fifth Sunday of Lent
	11.00 _{am}	† Joe Kyne Senior RIP	St. John Baptist de la Salle
Mon 8 th	9.10 _{am}	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 _{am}	† Judd Graham RIP <i>Rosary</i>	
Tue 9 th	9.10 _{am}	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 _{am}	† Thanksgiving for the Assemien Family Restoration <i>Rosary</i>	
	7.30 _{pm}	<i>Reconciliation Service</i>	
Wed 10 th	9.10 _{am}	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 _{am}	† Patricia Moorish RIP <i>Rosary</i>	
Thu 11 th	9.10 _{am}	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 _{am}	† Kathleen Farrell RIP <i>Rosary</i>	
Fri 12 th	9.10 _{am}	<i>Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 _{am}	† Intention of Sheldon & Indiana Graham <i>Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction</i>	
	7.30 _{pm}	<i>Stations of the Cross</i>	
Sat 13 th	9.00 _{am}	<i>Exposition & Divine Office</i>	
	9.30 _{am}	† Mary Raghika Barnard RIP	
	6.30 _{pm}	† Dennis Edkins RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 14 th	9.30 _{am}	† Thanksgiving for Priscilla, Pierre-Marie & Rosemonde	HOLY WEEK
	11.00 _{am}	† Bridget Kelly RIP	PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

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Parking: Do not park in the Church grounds, this is reserved for blue badge holders, and those dropping people off.

Children: During Mass please keep your children with you at all times, accompanying small children to the toilet.

PRAYERS

Please Pray for the sick and the housebound, for those recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Our "Prayers for Wellbeing", and "Prayers of Remembrance" books are at the back of the Church.

CONFESSION

Confession times are: Monday - Friday: 9am, Saturday: 9am & 6pm, Sunday: 9am, and by appointment.

COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEK

£461 Not Gift Aided
£367 Gift Aided

£300 Standing Order Gift Aided
£251 Parish Development Fund

THIS WEEK: Parish Development Fund
NEXT WEEK: Knights of St. Columba Charities

DONATIONS

GIFT AID	UK tax payers increase your donation by 25% at no extra cost to yourself. Forms are available at the back of the Church or via our website.	CHEQUE	Place your cheque, made payable to: RCAS ST PHILIP NERI SYDENHAM in an envelope stating the purpose of your donation and post in at the parish house, or place in the Offertory Collection.
STANDING ORDER (Preferred Method)	Ask your bank to make a standing order to: RCAS ST PHILIP NERI SYDENHAM Sort Code: 60-21-12 A/c No: 37298445	CASH	Offertory Collection at Mass.

NEWS

PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND 11TH TO 19TH FEBRUARY 2020

Forms and deposits for our pilgrimage to the Holy Land are now due in. If you have not yet returned your form and deposit please do so immediately. If you originally expressed an interest but are not able to go, please return the form stating that you can not go.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION '19

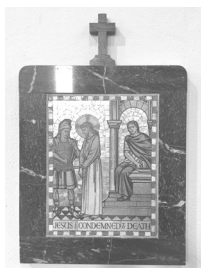
Our next lesson is: **Sunday 12th May at 10^{am}** in the hall.

Chapter 12: Reconciliation revisited.

FR. LUKE MARAPPILLIL'S INDUCTION

Fr Luke will be inducted into his new parish of St. Margaret Clitherow, on Saturday 11th May at 12^{noon}. The address is: 4 Kingswood Drive, SE19 1UR. The 450 bus stop (Bowen Drive) is outside the Church.

THE STATIONS OF THE CROSS



During this Holy period of Lent we are asked to prepare ourselves for Easter when we celebrate Jesus' resurrection. Two things we can do to prepare ourselves during Lent are, attend the service of Stations of the Cross, and go to confession.

This is a beautiful service where we accompany Jesus on his way to Calvary, and is held every Friday evening during Lent at 7.30^{pm}. Our Reconciliation service is Tuesday 9th April at 7.30^{pm}. Parishioners are warmly invited to both these services.

CONFIRMATION '19 PHOTOGRAPHS



The Confirmation photographs are ready for collection. This beautiful set of two 8 inch by 10 inch photographs each within its own presentation folder, can be collected from the parish house Monday to Friday 9^{am}-12^{noon}. For other times please call the parish house.

The two photographs are £20, one featuring all our candidates with Bishop Pat and Fr. Regis, and the other, each candidate with Bishop Pat. These are a precious keepsake of a wonderful day.

KNIGHTS OF ST. COLUMBA

The Knights Fraternal Cross will be arriving during the 9.30^{am} Mass on Monday 8th April, and the Knights thanks Father Regis for allowing the Knights to bring the Cross to the Parish Church.

CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION, KIRKDALE DIVINE MERCY NOVENA

Novena begins on Good Friday 19th April at 2^{pm} and at 3^{pm} every other day from Holy Saturday, 20th April to Saturday 27th April.

On Sunday 28th April (**Mercy Sunday**), Holy Mass (French Mass) at 2^{pm} followed by Divine Mercy prayer. You are all welcome to join the Novena and the Mass on Mercy Sunday.

FRENCH MASS

There will be a French Mass in the parish on Sunday 28th April at 2.00^{pm}. You are all welcome to join.