

## 24<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2022: SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)

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Hymns for 11 am Mass	Entrance: 278 Post-Communion: 766	Offertory: 275 Recessional: 267 Communion: 760



### Receive the Holy Spirit

Jesus, our risen Lord, bestows his Spirit on us. We believe, even though we have not seen, that he is our Lord and God. We are apostles of his resurrection and we live the life of the Spirit. As the Father sent Christ, so now we are sent to preach the Good News to all people. The Spirit will help us on our mission.

Eight days later, Jesus came.

### The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For Health Care Workers

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days		Sun 01 May ✕ <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>	
Sat 23		09.30	Mary Smith RIP
18:30	Dean Lee RIP	11.00	Stanley Fellows RIP
Sun 24	✕ <b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)</b>	<h3>Sharing the Word</h3> <p><b>First Reading:</b> (Acts 5:12-26) The reading presents the life and activities of the earliest Christian community. We hear about the Christians' external relations, their good repute and the miracles they worked. The miracles are signs that the kingdom of God has come, and they also serve to give weight and authority to the message of the apostles.</p> <p><b>Second Reading:</b> (Revelations 1:9-13.17-19) The book of revelations is about the revelations of Jesus Christ, made known through an angel to an unidentified prophet, John. It describes the battle between good and evil, and assures believers that good (God) will triumph. It seeks to encourage believers to hold fast to the faith in times of persecution.</p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> (John 20:19-31) The risen Jesus appears to his apostles, shows them his wounds and bestows peace on them. And then he gives them their mission. It is the same mission which he received from the Father. It is the reconciliation of people with the Father through the forgiveness of sin. We meet Thomas who gives a great profession of faith when he says: "My Lord and my God."</p>	
09.30	80 <sup>th</sup> Birthday of Vincent Richards		
11.00	Doffou Nobert Ede RIP		
Mon 25	<i>Saint Mark</i>		
09.30	Wellbeing of Bridie Horgan Rosary		
Tue 26	<i>SAINTE GEORGE</i>		
09.30	Wellbeing of Patrick O'Driscoll & his family Rosary		
Wed 27			
09.30	Walsh family intention Rosary		
Thu 28			
09.30	People of the Parish Rosary		
Fri 29	<i>Saint Catherine of Siena</i>		
09.30	Masie Conway RIP Exposition		
Sat 30			
09.30	People of the Parish		
18:30	First Mass of Sunday Theresa Dean RIP		

But John adds that, "blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." We therefore share the same blessedness as those who "ate and drank with him" after his resurrection.

**This is the day that the Lord has made.  
We will rejoice and be glad in it.**

The Holy week and Easter services were very well attended. I thank all the people who were part of the community praying at these services. A big thank you to everyone who gave their time and talents to make our Easter celebration, the pinnacle of our liturgical year, so very beautiful and special.

I have received many Easter cards and gifts, and I thank everyone for the very generous Easter Offering. I am deeply grateful for your support and benevolence.

I ask for your prayers as I travel home to attend the memorial service for my mother. While I am away the parish will be served by a number of priests. Bishop Patrick Lynch will do two weekends. Fr Joseph O'Connor will do one weekend. Fr Clive Ross will do some Saturday morning masses and Fr John Mudereri will do the weekday masses.

**Mass for Migrants**

The Dioceses and Ethnic Chaplaincies of Southwark, Westminster and Brentwood invite parishioners to a celebration of the annual Mass for Migrants on Monday, 2nd May, at 2.30pm at Westminster Cathedral. The annual pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Hartley in Kent takes place from 3.30pm on Saturday 7th May 2022.

**Pew Kneelers**

Next week will see the refurbishment of the pew kneelers. Work will start on Monday and will be finished by Thursday.

**The Passage**

The Passage, a Catholic charity working with homeless people is raising funds through the Big Give a matched giving scheme until 12.00 noon on Monday 9 May. Every £1 donated online before 12.00 noon on Monday 9 May makes £2 and £2.25 if you are a taxpayer through Gift Aid. Please visit: <https://bit.ly/BigGiveAprilMay22> to support the campaign. The campaign 'It takes more

than a house to make a home' focuses on the services we provide to people who have been homeless in their journey to being happily settled in a new home. The Passage would be very grateful for your support. For questions about the campaign or assistance making a donation please ring 020 7592 1856.'

**Last Week**

Holy Places	Gift Aided £147 Not Gift Aided £187
2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection	None
Mass Count	Maundy Thursday (76), Good Friday (115), Easter Vigil (120), Easter Sunday 09.30 (145), 11.00 (193)

**This Week**

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **Maintenance of the Cathedral**

**Next Week**

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: **None**

**Donating**

Gift Aid	Tax payers, please sign up. We receive an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. Visit <a href="http://www.olspn.church">www.olspn.church</a> for details.
Card	Card Machine in Church Foyer or <a href="http://www.olspn.church">www.olspn.church</a>
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