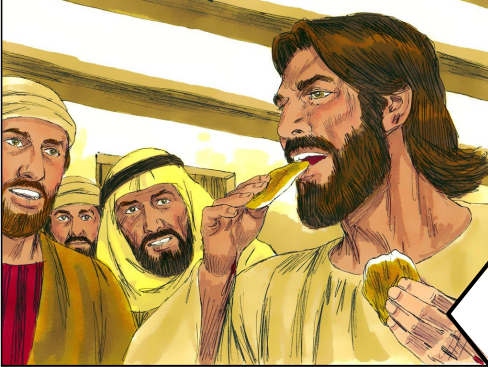


## 14<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024: THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Mass book: p262    1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 3: 13-15, 17-19    2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 John 2: 1-5    Gospel: Luke 24: 35-48

11am Mass Hymns	Entrance: 784 Gloria: 998	Gospel Accl. <sup>n</sup> : 268 Communion: 631	Offertory: 762 Post-Communion: Hymn Sheet	Memorial Accl. <sup>n</sup> : 761 Recessional: Hymn Sheet
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### Christ is the sacrifice that takes our sins away

Jesus Christ died for the sins of the world. God the Father raised him to life, and in his resurrection we too find life. In the light of Easter we can turn away from sin and discover the peace of Christ. We are witnesses to God's saving power in our everyday lives.

So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead.

### The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For the role of women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

#### Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

Sat 13 18:30	First Mass of Sunday Birthday Blessings - Tina Maduaka
Sun 14 09.30 11.00	✠ <b>THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)</b> Trevor Estellita Thanksgiving - to Our Lord & Saviour Jesus Christ for prayers granted & miracles received.
Mon 15 09.30	Paul McCarthy RIP Rosary
Tue 16 09.30	Elizabeth Florence RIP Rosary
Wed 17 09.30	Brendan Meehan RIP Rosary
Thu 18 09.30	Safe Journey - Elena De Masi Rosary
Fri 19 09.30	Birthday Blessings - Elena De Masi Exposition
Sat 20 09.30 18:30	Mary McCarthy RIP First Mass of Sunday Gary Edge-Loake RIP
Sun 21 09.30 11.00	✠ <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)</b> Annie Abeyadeera RIP Christine Goodwin

#### Prayer Requests

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter. Please send an email to: [regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk).

#### Please Pray for the wellbeing of:

Bernadette Dowswell and Patrick Watts.

**Please pray for those who have died recently or whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Frank Mealey, Ruby Veronica Gale and Ben Ntiamoah.

#### Regina Caeli

V. O Queen of heaven, rejoice! Alleluia

R. For he whom you did merit to bear, Alleluia

V. He has risen as he said, Alleluia.

R. Pray for us to God, Alleluia.

V. Rejoice and be glad O Virgin Mary, Alleluia

R. For the Lord has risen indeed, Alleluia

**Let us pray:** God our Father, you give joy to the world by the Resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ. Through the prayers of his Mother, the Virgin Mary, bring us to the happiness of eternal life. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, you Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### Sharing the Word

**First Reading** - This is part of Peter's sermon after he and John had cured a crippled beggar at the Temple. Peter confronts the people with their part in the death

of Jesus. But he excuses them on the grounds that they acted in ignorance. Even Jesus dying on cross prayed: "Father forgive them, they know not what they do." Peter highlights the goodness and the innocence of Jesus and proclaims the resurrection and urges people to repent so that their sins may be wiped out.

**Second Reading** - Authentic love of God is proved by obedience to God's commandments. And because we fail to keep the commandments, we have in Jesus an advocate who will plead our cause.

**Gospel** - Today's gospel comes immediately after the story of the of Emmaus. Jesus appeared to his disciples and showed them his hands and his feet and invited them to touch him. And this shows that the risen Christ is not simply a spirit.

All the three readings of today proclaim that forgiveness is available to those who repent and believe in Jesus as their Saviour.

### Sick and Housebound

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend mass because they are in poor health, please let Fr Regis know and he will take them Holy Communion.

### First Holy Communion Programme 2023-24

We next meet in the hall on Sun 21<sup>st</sup> April at 10am for, Chapter 11: To love and to serve.

### Confirmation Programme 2023-24

We next meet in the parish house on Sat 20<sup>th</sup> April at 5pm for, Session Ten: Confirmation: Discipleship and Mission.

### Eucharistic Ministers and Readers

The new Rota is now available in the porch for those who have not received one via email.

### Bethlehem Nativity Group

A thank you message from The Bethlehem Nativity Group TBNG - Christian greetings and the Peace of our Lord be with you always.

We would love to thank you by allowing our group to come to your church and sell the olive wood religious articles, the result of which was very beneficial and rewarding for our needy Christian families .

Which raised: **£1,821**

Your help is a great support for us, and for our Christian families in the Holy Land. We don't have enough words to thank you and your parishioners, but make sure that you are always in our prayers. If anyone has missed

the carvings display, You can place an order online directly from them at [www.tbng.co.uk](http://www.tbng.co.uk). God bless you all.

Love and blessings from The Bethlehem Nativity Group.

### Priest Training Fund Next Week's Second Collection

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese.

After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 5 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest.

We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today.

Thank you!

- Donate Online: [www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF)
- Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right)
- Telephone weekdays 9 am - 5 pm: 020 7960 2504
- Cash / Cheque - please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.



Last Week

**Offertory:** Gift Aided: £212 Not Gift Aided: £358

**Mass Count:** Sat (66), Sun 09.30 (95), 11.00 (90)

Second Collection

**Last week: None**

**This week: None**

**Next Week: Priest Training Fund**

Donate

**Gift Aid:** Tax payers, please sign up, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated. Email Treasurer for details.

**Card:** Card Machine in Church Foyer or [www.olspn.church](http://www.olspn.church)

**Standing Order:** Email Treasurer for details.

**Cheque:** Payable to 'RCAS Sydenham'

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