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Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the LORD

4th of April 2021

A Happy Easter To You All.

Our churches are open.

Masks must be worn unless exempt.

The Collection this weekend is our Parishioners offering for the clergy.

Next weekend: 2nd Collection for The Maintenance of St George's Cathedral

Thank You to all those who have helped with our celebrations, the clergy, readers, sacristans, musicians, flower ladies, the stewards and in St. Paul's, our own Martha and Mary, who cleaned the church and managed the booking respectively. Thank you so much. Fr. Jeff.

Welcome If you were passing through, we hope your visit to our church encouraged you. If you are from the locality, who came because it is Easter, we hope you will be tempted to join us more regularly. In spite of the difficulties we have all faced, as we have opened up again, we seem more together even though we can only smile with our eyes.

Streaming the Mass from St. Paul's has helped us. We had already ordered it but it was good to find it could be installed during the 1st first week of lockdown, which seems ages ago. We all had to learn how to use it. You have to speak more clearly than when just addressing a congregation.

Since we re-opened the average age of those attending has gone down. More people under forty are coming along. Perhaps that is one good result of our troubles. Fr. Leo, who joined us in September has helped not just because of his sermons or the



fact that he is younger, but he knows how to use the internet in a way that allows us to do different things. Watch the newsletter about his monthly gatherings on zoom. You can get the newsletter electronically via the subscribe button at <https://www.parishofthegoodshepherd.uk/newsletters/>

We are exploring the possibility of building a new hall and flats for the homeless in Dover. If you want to know more about that see the article below entitled The Future.

I think everyone has found the length of the lockdowns difficult. I hope the fact spring is almost here and celebrating Easter has helped. Do stay in touch and come along whenever you can. Every Person in church helps, even if they are as quiet as a mouse and whatever their

story. Do have a chat with one of the priests, if it might help you to come back. Fr. Jeff.

Fr. Leo is flying home on Easter Sunday. His Father's Funeral is on Thursday. Let's say a prayer for his late Father, his Mum, Leo and all his family as they commend a lovely man to God. Leo will be back on April the 30th, having isolated for ten days in London. Thank You Fr. Leo for all you have done since you joined us in the Autumn. Presbytery life is better when you share it with someone who thinks deeply and laughs too. Fr. Jeff.

The Future: First, let's pray the pandemic continues to abate, not just here but throughout the world so that families are not faced with sorrow before time. We will continue to loosen things up in the parish, when we can, but not before.

We also have a big issue to look at. A while ago I felt it was time to bring the Archbishop up to date about our building projects. The result was one I did not expect. He wants to be involved in our discussions and would like to come down for a weekend to look

at our ideas about the land, the hall and the flats for the homeless at St. Paul's. It's not practical for him to look at issues with you on both of our sites on the same day as the Masses clash. We can look forward to two visits; to St. Paul's in the near future and to St. Finbarr's when their plans are more advanced.

We will publish the latest plans for St. Paul's well before the Archbishop comes. It has turned out we can expect to receive over £400,000 rather than the £200,000 from our latest legacy. May the Good Lord guide us in all things but especially as we look at the questions such generosity asks of us. Fr. Jeff.

Fr. Reason, who says he has settled down well and likes his new parish back home, rang to wish us all a Happy Easter.

Ordinate Masses: Structures Pope Benedict set up allowing former Anglicans to join the church in groups with their pastors, were designed to include some of the best features of their Anglican inheritance. Amongst other things the Pope gave then permission to include prayers in the kind of language they were used to. For example, in their special rite they use the word thou instead of you. As you know Fr. Jamie brought a group of Ordinate Catholics with him when he joined us. Their superiors have asked him to celebrate Mass in the ordinate form, possibly weekly. Jamie will be celebrating the first one on Wednesday (7th April) at Midday. Do go along if the timing suits you better than 10 O'clock. You will be most welcome. All Catholics are allowed to go to communion. Fr. Jeff.

St. Finbarr's SVP: The next meeting will be held on Tuesday, 6th April at 10.30am in the garden at St. Finbarr's Church. But if weather doesn't permit, we will revert to a Zoom meeting.

Dover's new Sunshine Café: Staff at Dover Technical College have pledged to walk, run or cycle 50km throughout March, to raise funds to support the Dover Sunshine Cafe, a new establishment due to open this spring. The cafe is being set up by community helpers Noel Beamish and Judith Shilling, to support vulnerable people within Dover and will have a 'pay what you can' ethos and offer different meal prices depending on people's circumstances. You can donate at: https://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/dover-technicalcollege?utm_term=vMekaQx99

Next week's 2nd Collection will be for The Maintenance of St George's Cathedral, the mother church of the diocese.

Please Pray for Ian Dalziel, who has died after a short illness. Ian and his wife, Meg, have been wonderful supporters at St. Paul's for years and years. Their children were nearly teenagers when I was here before. Ian, who was from Bara had a deep understanding of God and His ways. He was only the second person in my life to say "See you in heaven Father" with a great smile on his face when I said Goodbye after I anointed him. May he enjoy the fruits of his friendship with God and be rewarded for his care and loving support of Meg and their family. Ian's Funeral is at St. Paul's on Wednesday 21st of April at 1pm. I suspect a lot of people will be tuning into the streaming that day. Fr. Jeff.

Please pray for Sue Atmore, wife of Brian Atmore who died at home on Sunday 21st March after a short illness.

Please pray for Brian & Sarah Docherty, who have died. They lived in Aylesham for many years and finally in Woodensborough. Their funeral will be in St. Finbarr's on Wednesday 14th of April at 11am.

Please say a Prayer for Paul Frederick Coe who has died. His Funeral is at St. Paul's at 1pm on Friday 16th of April. May they Rest in Peace.

Catholic Voices will be hosting an online conference titled "Sharing the Church's Story" on April 17th 2021. You will hear speakers share simple, powerful tips and workshops so that everyone can share the Church's story with charity, clarity, and confidence. Email info@catholicvoices.org.uk for more info or to sign up.

St Joseph's School, Aylesham:

It has certainly been one of the strangest Term 4's but it has ended in a beautiful sunny Holy Week.

We have been very busy with Stations of the Cross, Washing of the Feet, Easter garden competitions and exciting egg hunts and raffles.

Our raffle would not have been possible without the tremendous support of all our families and local community businesses.

On behalf of all the staff and governors at St Joseph's, I would like to wish you all a happy and peaceful Easter.

Mrs H Seager-Fleming, Academy Principal



CTiD: The Sunrise Service will be at St Mary-in-Castro at 05:45am on Easter Sunday.

(Sorry it is early, I can't control sunrise time).

Come via the usual car entrance to the castle and go up to the disabled carpark on Palace Green.

All are welcome, so do pass this message around to your congregation, but remember it will be well spread out on a cold hillside and the final walk is up a steep grass slope.

We are grateful to the Government for clarity on guidance for singing as we head into Holy Week and Easter.

As the Sunrise service is

-a service

-in church grounds

-outside

-in an area / place / time not open to the general public

Then WE CAN SING!

(although voices may be a little rusty after a year without practice)

Please print & bring your own copy of the service sheet if possible (attached to the email newsletter)

Some copies of the service sheet will be available to pick up, if you are not worried about touching them.

Get Walking: Virtually!

Christians Together in Dover (CTiD) have not been able to organise the annual Good Friday Walk of Witness through the town centre to Dover Castle this year because of Covid 19.

Instead CTiD leaders are providing a 'Virtual' Walk of Witness with viewers able to watch on their computers a pre-recorded video. At each stop a CTiD "Walk and Talk" is given by a different local clergy or lay person. Each talks about a different key 'Easter Voice' from the bible. Fr John Panario and Deacon Barry are two of the Easter Voices.

The YouTube video of the Walk also contains summary information about the key voluntary social outreach activities of CTiD including the Dover Foodbank, Dover Outreach Centre, etc.

To see the video from 10am, Good Friday Morning, 2nd April, go to <http://ctid.pub/wow21> For the Easter Light Party; the Easter story for children told by puppets Rosie and Dexter, plus an activity pack

of quizzes, crafts and things go to <http://ctid.pub/lightpartyeaster>

We would very much like to know what you think about the content of the Virtual Walk of Witness and the Easter Light Party videos.

So, if you would like us to know, please email your a) likes and b) areas for improvement, including for each your reasons, to barrybarton@rcaos.org.uk. If you could do this ASAP after you viewed the videos and, if at all possible, by Saturday 3rd of April, that would help us greatly.

We will use what you tell us to provide feedback to the organisers and producers as it will inform future video and other offerings. A summary will appear in due course. Thanks in anticipation Deacon Barry.

First Holy Communion 2021 Group

Reconciliation and First Holy Communion

Children entering Year 3 of primary school or above are eligible to prepare for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion.

Parents of children who would like their child to make their FHC in September 2021, (assuming that Covid 19 restrictions are such that traditional group FHC masses can be held), should email their interest to Deacon Barry barrybarton@rcaos.org.uk.

We hope to be able to deliver the FHC course in the Presbytery on successive Sunday mornings during the 9.15am mass at St Paul's and the 11.15 am mass at St Finbarr's. But if this is not possible due to compliance with Covid 19 requirements it will be delivered by Zoom.

Reminder notices will appear in future parish newsletters.

Application forms will be available on the parish website from 20/21 March.

Seeking Marriage and Family Life Bereavement Support Trainers:

The Marriage and Family Life team are seeking volunteers who would be interested in being trained to train others in Bereavement support ministry at parish and deanery level. An introductory meeting will take place remotely, via zoom from 10am to 11am, on Saturday 8th May. Please email Elizabeth Partridge at: mflbereavement@rcaos.org.uk to register and receive the zoom meeting joining details. Subsequent online training meetings are planned. Further details will be shared at the introductory meeting.

The **Passage's** mission and work is developing to cope with more people becoming homeless it is raising funds through the Big Give until Wed 31st March to support No Night Out a new initiative to take newly homeless people off the street straight away. Further details of the work can be found at www.passage.org.uk. This is a matched giving

scheme for online donations, which can be further boosted with Gift Aid. For more information ring Andrew Hollingsworth 020 75921886 andrew.h@passage.org.uk Donate at <https://tinyurl.com/NoNightOut>

Please pray for those who are unwell, especially Charlie Golden, Brendan Quinn, Tina Isaacs, Ray Deverson, Lucy Purbrick, Amanda Dennis, Jadon Michael Kalp, Denise Mastro, Tara Conklin, Jamie Chitwood ; Denise Bishop, Sean O'Regan, Iris (Tilly) Ball, Paul Coe, Jean Ann Dowle, Diane Jones, Nina Woolhouse, Ted Peel, Maureen & Joe Johnston, Christopher Browne, Angela, Ellen McGurk, Helen Davies, Christine Mackenzie, Chris Francis, Alice Wilson, Angela Henbrey, Julie Balston, Madison Woodall, Elisa Gomez Melero, Ann Tomalak, Cathy Huntley, Mary Nelson, Emin Jain, Pat Sherratt, **and those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Emma Snodgrass Carrick Armstrong, Rose Cambell, Geoffrey McBride, Charlie Williams, Mary Jane Kelly, Margaret McIntyre, Marguerite Frances Pattenden, Albert Morgan, Tony Hennin ; Dorothy McMillan, Elizabeth Mary Evans, Arthur Cloke, Elsie Eliza Versey, Mary Ann Donald, Sr. Clare Riordan DC, Edward Couzens, James Gibbs, Kathleen Mary Huntley, Patrick 'Chuck' Brennan, Victor Sayers, Bishop Charles Henderson, Louise Xambo, Canon Ted Mitchinson, Ray Carney, and Norman Patrick Revell.

EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK
OUR CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR MASS

<i>Holy Saturday</i>	Saturday	12noon	<i>Confessions in St Paul's Presbytery (Fr Jeff)</i>
		12noon	<i>Confessions in St Finbarr's (Fr Leo)</i>
		3pm	Syro Malabar Easter Saturday
		7pm	St Paul's, Easter Vigil Mass for The People of The Parish, <i>(Fr. Jeff)</i> and Mass for The Good Estate of Liz Haymer (SVP) <i>(Fr Jamie)</i> .
		7pm	<i>St Finbarr's</i> , Easter Vigil Mass for People of America <i>(Fr Leo)</i>
Easter Sunday	Sunday 4th April	9.00am	St Paul's, Mass for Br Paul McAuley RIP (Theresa McA) <i>(Fr. Leo)</i>
		10.30am	St Paul's, Mass for Fr John Castelli RIP <i>(Fr Jeff)</i>
		11.15am	<i>St Finbarr's</i> , Mass for Carl Russell Bramwell (Vera) <i>(Fr Jamie)</i>
		12noon	St Paul's, Mass for Nora Lyons (F) <i>(Fr Jeff)</i>
		-	No Exposition in St Paul's today
<i>Within Octave of Easter</i>	Monday	10am	St Paul's, Mass for Lucy Hoar RIP (Sheila) <i>(Fr. Jamie)</i>
<i>Within Octave of Easter</i>	Tuesday	10am	St Paul's, Mass for Frenchie RIP (Sheila) <i>(Fr Jamie)</i>
<i>Within Octave of Easter</i>	Wednesday	10.am	St. Paul's, Mass for Catherine Rowe 'F' <i>(Fr. Jamie)</i> .
		10.15am	<i>St Finbarr's</i> , Mass for People of the Parish <i>(Fr Jeff)</i>
		12noon	St Paul's, Ordinarate Mass <i>(Fr Jamie)</i>
		7pm	St Paul's, Exposition until 8pm
<i>Within Octave of Easter</i>	Thursday	10pm	St Paul's, Mass for Kathleen Huntley RIP (Sheila) <i>(Fr Jeff)</i>
<i>Within Octave of Easter</i>	Friday	10am	St Paul's, Mass for G/E of Emma & Rosie (Sheila) <i>(Fr Jamie)</i>
<i>Within Octave of Easter</i>	Saturday	3pm	Syro Malabar Mass
		5pm	<i>Confessions in St Paul's Presbytery (Fr Jeff until 5.45pm)</i>
		6pm	St Paul's, Mass for Fr Michael Boland RIP <i>(Fr Jeff)</i>
2nd Sunday of Easter Divine Mercy Sunday	Sunday 11th April	9.15am	St Paul's, Mass for Ian Dalziel RIP & Meg (Ronnie Mitchinson) <i>(Fr. Jamie)</i>
		11.15am	<i>St Finbarr's</i> , Mass for Fran Plews & Liz Simcox RIP (Bet) <i>(Fr Jeff)</i>
		11.30am	St Paul's, Mass for Denise Neve RIP (Tony Neve) <i>(Fr Jamie)</i>
		3pm	St Paul's, Exposition until 4pm

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For a newsletter emailed weekly, or to suggest articles/additions, contact Matthew, the Editor: dovernewsletter@rcaos.org.uk

Newsletter items received after 6pm Thursday may not be included that week. The Editor reserves the right to edit articles.

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