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## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

18<sup>th</sup> of April 2021

Our churches are open.

Masks must be worn unless exempt.

**Priests Corner:** When I saw The Archbishop is putting on a Special Mass for Prince Philip, I became absolutely sure I had not said enough about Prince Philip last weekend. I had been too influenced by the tradition in some of South London's Catholic Churches of not talking about politics or anything like that. It seems to me we ought to have a special mass too. We have put one in the diary. It will be on Sunday the 9<sup>th</sup> of May in St. Paul's at 11.30am.

**A Change of Role** A week after I was ordained, my priestly Uncle said to me "Unless you ask me you are not going to get loads of advice from me. You need to find your own way, except I am just going to say take care not to work your people too hard and if they are young don't leave them in the same job for too long". The other week, I found myself wondering, if Matthew Cloke had done the newsletter for long enough. When I asked him if he would like to step down and have another job, he agreed to stepping down from the newsletter and is thinking about the role I suggested. We owe him a big debt of gratitude. He has been a joy to work with over the last three years. The best things have been his quiet approach when things were tight and his dependability. Thank You Matthew, so much.

The last publication Matthew will be responsible for will be in two weeks. I am very pleased to announce Linda Kennet will be taking over on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May. Thank you to both of you and to Monika too for helping Matthew to cross the t's etc. Fr. Jeff.

**An Extra Mass:** As the number of those who came to Mass last Sunday in St. Finbarr's very nearly exceeded the numbers presently allowed to attend, we have decided to put an extra Mass on at 9.30 am starting next Sunday.

**Please Pray for Lawrence Knight**, who died recently. His Funeral will be in St. Finbarr's on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> April at Midday. May a great campaigner for a better world be rewarded for all he did for so many. Fr. Jeff.

**Please Pray for Ian Dalziel**, who died before Easter. Ian's Funeral is at St. Paul's this Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> of April at 1pm.

**There will be A Special Mass for Lennie Smith** after which his ashes will be placed in the columbarium on Saturday May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6pm

May They Rest in Peace.

**Collections for March:** Cash £1561.62; Bankers Orders £1996.34; Just Giving £162.00; Thank you for your generosity.

### The Bible Timeline Course

An 8-session course on Wednesdays, which started on 7<sup>th</sup> April 2021. Do you feel the Bible is too big and complicated? The truth is that many Catholics long to read the Bible, but they don't know how so they often start and quit. The Bible Timeline System, developed by Jeff Cavins, is the fastest-growing Catholic Bible Study in the world. It divides the whole Bible into 12 colour-coded Periods, easy to understand and memorise. In our course, Mauro Iannicelli will walk you through each of the 12 Periods. You can register for the course at <https://comeandsee.org/>

Perhaps this is a good accompaniment piece, if you are following the Bible in a Year Podcast with Fr Mike Schmitz!

### **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](mailto: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 11.15am 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.

**Thank you to the stewards** who kept St Paul's Church safely open for all the Holy Week Communion Services and Masses and thank you to those volunteers, not normally on the steward team, but who became stewards for this period. Without you all, we could not have opened, and we hope that you all stay in the team in the future. Thanks also for the continued vigilance of our health and safety officer, Malcolm Fisher.

There is a zoomed St Paul's Management meeting on Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April. Please send items for consideration to [pgsdavidaevans@gmail.com](mailto:pgsdavidaevans@gmail.com). Dave Evans (Chairperson, St Paul's Management Group)

**The Sunrise Cafe** will be opening on 3<sup>rd</sup> July and we're ready to start recruiting volunteers! We are looking for kitchen and front of house volunteers, as well as help with collecting surplus from supermarkets. We would welcome those with some experience or none, and full training will be given.

If interested or if you would like more details, please email Ben at [office@doveroutreachcentre.com](mailto:office@doveroutreachcentre.com)

### **Creative Groups £200 Micro Grants:**

Micro grants available of up to £200 for local groups to start or restart creative activities in local community centres or village halls once restrictions allow. Groups must be in the districts of Medway, Swale, Canterbury, Thanet, Dover or Folkestone & Hythe.

Funding Aims: Get creative, bring people back together, reduce loneliness & share skills.

#GetCreative #GetCreativeKent

Funded by Colyer Fergusson Charitable Trust.

Applications to be submitted by 9pm 30<sup>th</sup> May 2021. To apply, fill in the online form via <http://bit.ly/GC-Kent> or contact [charlotte@vaengland.org](mailto:charlotte@vaengland.org) for more information and to receive the application form.

### **Call out to help Creative Community Champions thrive!**

Do you lead, organise or provide a venue for creative cultural activities that take place regularly in social groups?

Voluntary Arts is excited to launch a call out across England that aims to create connections with and between leaders and coordinators of voluntary and amateur participatory arts and creative groups. They are invited to respond by completing this online contact form <https://bit.ly/AskChampions>

**Thank you** for your generous donations to CAFOD's Family Fast Day during Lent. We featured Marian and her son Svondo in Zimbabwe in Lent 2018. The community vegetable garden that your donations helped provide is growing well and during the pandemic the family has survived on the vegetables. Your support has also helped to provide soap and handwashing stations in the garden and in family homes. This is just one of many long-term development projects that CAFOD has funded with the money from that Fast Day. Thank you for your steadfast support.

**Ask for ANI:** The government have launched the "Ask for ANI" codeword scheme in partnership with Boots and independent pharmacies across the country. Those who are victim to or at risk of domestic abuse can ask for ANI and a safe space will be provided, by a trained pharmacist, to allow the individual to access support services and helplines. Where the victim is at risk of harm, the police and other relevant authorities may be contacted.

This scheme is especially useful in helping those who are isolated at home with their abuser and unable to access help.

For more information, please visit the government website:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/pharmacies-launch-codeword-scheme-to-offer-lifeline-to-domestic-abuse-victims>

**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, 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:** James Deary, Joseph Arthur Kelly, Thomas Garrity, Patrick Ronald Devereux ; Joyce Elkington, Peter Payton , Delia Leverton, James Wilson, Elizabeth Murphy, Leonard Clarke, Vincenzo Rausa, Kevin Tivnan, William Clyde McLauchlin, Julie Shearn, John Cheesman, Fr Tony Pyle, John Joseph O'Hanlon, Catherine Herd, Edward Javier Perry, Edward Bayliss, Doreen Mitchell, Michael FitzPatrick, Russell Wills, and John Glithero.

## READINGS FOR 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER 18<sup>TH</sup> OF APRIL 2021

### First reading

**Acts 3:13-15,17-19**

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

**Responsorial Psalm Psalm 4:2,4,7,9**

**Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.**

**Second reading 1 John 2:1-5**

I am writing this, my children,  
to stop you sinning;  
but if anyone should sin,  
we have our advocate with the Father,  
Jesus Christ, who is just;  
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,

and not only ours,

but the whole world's.

We can be sure that we know God  
only by keeping his commandments.

Anyone who says, 'I know him',  
and does not keep his commandments,  
is a liar,

refusing to admit the truth.

But when anyone does obey what he has said,  
God's love comes to perfection in him.

**Gospel Acclamation cf.Lk24:32**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us.**

**Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.**

**Alleluia!**

**Gospel Luke 24:35-48**

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about all this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they still could not believe it, and they stood there dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the

Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

**EVENTS FOR THIS WEEK**  
**OUR CHURCHES ARE OPEN FOR MASS**

	Saturday	3pm	St Finbarr's, Syro Malabar Mass
		5pm	Confessions in St Paul's Presbytery (Fr Jeff until 5.45pm)
		6pm	St Paul's, Mass for Frenchie RIP (Fr Anthony)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>Sunday</b> <b>18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	9.15am	St Paul's, Mass for Joan Raymakers RIP (Fr Jeff)
		11.15am	St Finbarr's, Mass for George Gilchrist RIP (Fr Anthony)
		11.30am	St Paul's, Mass for Denise Neve RIP (Oliver O'Connor) (Fr Jeff)
		3pm	St Paul's, Exposition until 4pm
	Monday	10am	St Paul's, Mass for G/E of Jane & Chris (Sheila) (Fr Anthony) <b>Church Closed</b>
	Tuesday	10am	St Paul's, Mass for Andrew & fellow seminarians (Sheila) (Fr Anthony)
St Anselm	Wednesday	10am	St. Paul's, Eucharistic service
		10.15am	St Finbarr's, Mass for Catherine Rowe (F) (Fr Anthony)
		1pm	St Paul's, Funeral Mass of Ian Dalziel RIP (Fr Jeff)
		7pm	St Paul's, Exposition until 8pm
	Thursday	10pm	St Paul's, Mass for Jack RIP (Liz & family) (Fr Jeff)
St George	Friday	10am	St Paul's, Mass for Dalziel family (Sheila) (Fr Anthony)
	Saturday	3pm	St Finbarr's, Syro Malabar Mass
		5pm	Confessions in St Paul's Presbytery (Fr Jeff until 5.45pm)
		6pm	St Paul's, Mass for People of the Parish
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>	<b>Sunday</b> <b>25<sup>th</sup> April</b>	9.15am	St Paul's, Mass for G/E of Onorina (Sheila) (Fr Anthony)
		9.30am	St Finbarr's, Mass for Roland Conyers (F) (Fr Jeff)
		11.15am	St Finbarr's, Mass for Bridget Graves & family (Fr Jeff)
		11.30am	St Paul's, Mass for Ian Dalziel RIP (Liz) (Fr Anthony)
		3pm	St Paul's, Exposition until 4pm

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