

Mass Text for Easter Sunday

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia.
You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia.
Too wonderful for me,
this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

Response:

This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad.

Second Reading: Col 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ, our Passover, has been sacrificed;
let us celebrate the feast then, in the Lord.
Alleluia.

Gospel: John 20:1-9

Communion Antiphon:

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia;
therefore let us keep the feast
with the unleavened bread
of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

MASS TIMES for the coming week

Saturday 15th April
Easter Vigil

English Martyrs: 8pm Pro Populo

SUNDAY 16th April
Easter Sunday of the Lord's Resurrection

English Martyrs: 9am Pro Populo

St John's: 11am Pro Populo

Mass times for the coming week

MONDAY 17th April
Mass at St Mary's East Hendred, 9.15am

TUESDAY 18th April
No Mass Today

WEDNESDAY 19th April
No Mass this morning

English Martyrs: 7.30pm Extraordinary Form
Latin Mass

THURSDAY 20th April
St John's: 9.30am Elizabeth Constance White RIP
(Perp)

FRIDAY 21st April
English Martyrs: 9.30am Eileen Naughton's
Intentions as she runs her 10th London Marathon

SATURDAY 22nd April
English Martyrs: 9.30am Simone Stone RIP
(M Parris-Dollar) (Found)

Weekend Masses as usual



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16th April 2017
Easter Sunday


Surrexit Christus! Alleluia! Christ is risen! Alleluia!

After six weeks of not using the word Alleluia, we finally get to sing many joyful Alleluias, for with Christ risen, triumphant from the tomb, nothing can hold back our joy. Alleluia – Praise the Lord – Is a wonderful way we can express our joy in the liturgy.

How do we express that joy in our lives? At the Easter Vigil this year we hear how the women learn of Jesus' Resurrection and joyfully go running back to tell the disciples. We also saw three people embrace the fullness of the Catholic faith at the Vigil – with joy we give thanks for their journey.

We know that Jesus is risen and we are all called to tell others who have yet to hear the Good News: maybe family, friends, work colleagues, neighbours... May the way we live our lives be like many joyful Alleluias so that others may also see that the risen Lord has brought us great joy and so themselves seek to meet him.

Fr Phillip



In your prayers, please remember...

Cyril Verling, Jenny Evans, Amanda Gender, Christopher Almeida, Anna Pearce, Mary Guinan, Maureen Logan, Mary McCrystal, Margaret Goldsworthy, Sophia Farmer, Janina Krokowska, Ann and Cyril Tomline, Terry Appleyard, Charlotte Pyatt, Val Claridge, Joan Russell and all the sick of the parish.



CTS Read of the Month for the discounted price of £1:00 - A Way of Life for Young Catholics

This month Pope Francis' prayer intention is young people. He asks that we pray that young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or religious life.

This booklet is full of practical insights for young Catholics who want to live their faith more deeply but are not sure what steps to take.

Also:

New to CTS: **Road to Pentecost, a prayer guide for Eastertide £2:50 per copy.**

Beginning on Easter Sunday and ending on Pentecost Sunday, this prayer guide will lead you through a journey of 50 days of prayer and reflection, in preparation for the great feast of Pentecost - often an unappreciated feast. The first forty days reflect on scripture and the Catechism, drawing our lives into the history of salvation. The final nine-day Novena of prayer, from Ascension to Pentecost, is dedicated to helping Christians to be open to a personal Pentecost in their own lives.

Heavenly Harrods has a new selection of gifts for first Holy communion including silver jewellery; rosaries and missals, There is also a selection of children's books and missals. Come and have a browse after weekend Masses.

East Hendred Youth Group - Sponsored walk for Cafod

The St Mary's Youth Group will be doing their annual 5K sponsored walk along the Ridgeway, to raise money for CAFOD on **Friday 28th April from 7-9pm**. All young people from the pastoral area (Yr 4 and above) are welcome to join them! The walk is always great fun and there will be marshmallows and hot chocolate to finish! Don't forget to bring a torch and wear comfortable clothes for walking. **RSVP by Sunday 23rd April. For more information email Veronica at veronicapaget@hotmail.com**

St Edmund's Youth Group

Saturday 6th May

8-10yrs - 1:30pm-2:30pm, 11-12 & 13-14yrs - 3pm-4:30pm

Hinksey Youth Group Film Club

Sunday 7th May, featuring '*Suffragette*' or '*Swallows and Amazons*' 2:30pm start. Mass at 4:15pm. Our Lady of the Rosary R C Church, Yarnells Hill, OX2 9BD.

Freedog in June—There will be a pastoral area youth group trip to 'Freedog' in Swindon on **Saturday 10th June**. We will meet at Freedog (Urban Activity Centres, Unit 30, Techno Trading Estate, Kembrey Park, Bramble Road, Swindon, SN2 8HB. Tel. no. 01793 251555) at **1pm**. Parents and younger/older siblings are welcome to join us. A 1 hour session will cost around **£12** including the cost of jump socks. Please bring a packed lunch, or money to buy lunch or a snack.

The Parish Youth Group will be having a games evening on Friday 21st April, 7pm-9pm in the church hall at Wallingford, which will run by two of the older youth group members. New games, possibly some surprises, are expected. If you are of youth group age, 10+ years, please come long and have some fun. Refreshments provided as normal. Should you require further information about the youth group, please contact Andy Robins, via the parish office.

SVP

Grateful thanks to all who supported the Soup Lunches in Wallingford, over the past six weeks. We raised the magnificent sum of £875.32 which will be sent to the SVP Baby Feeding Centres in the Sudan.

Raffle

A list of winners is on the noticeboard. Unfortunately we didn't manage to win any prizes this year but again, thank you for taking part.

A Day of Recollection for Ministers of the Eucharist—will be held at Stonehill House OX14 4AA on Saturday 27th May. Please email pcarroll@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk if you would like to attend.

Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday with Rev. Fr. Christopher Poswiata CSMA, on April 23rd at The Chapel, Elmore Abbey House, Church Lane, Speen, Newbury, Berks. RG14 1SA. Confessions from 1pm - Holy Mass 2pm - Chaplet & 3 O'clock prayer. Refreshments afterwards. For further details call 07969 890870.

Deputy Head Vacancy - St Edmund's Catholic Primary School, Abingdon

Our governors wish to appoint a committed, practising Catholic to join the established leadership team in our warm and welcoming school from September 2017, following the retirement of our current Deputy Head. Further details are available on the school website or contact Mrs Berny Pratt, School Business Manager, for an application pack (01235 521558 or bpra2676@st-edmunds-rc.oxon.sch.uk). Closing date for applications is 27th April 2017.

Relax and Laugh—a free event run by Ridgeway Community Church, being held on 22nd April at Didcot Civic Hall. All welcome.

English Martyrs Church is open for prayer Tuesday to Friday mornings until 1pm. **If you have a key, please do not lock the church during these times.** Thank you.

Telephone Number for SVP

If you know of anyone in need please call 07580539765.

Last week's Collections:
Apologies, figures unavailable at this time

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CTWA Prayer Cycle

Please pray for
The Methodist Church, Wallingford