

St Matthew's Church Newsletter

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (Year B)

15 APRIL 2018



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Mass on Saturday 6:30pm (Sunday)
Mass on Sunday 9 am, 11am
Morning Mass 9:30am (Tues, Wed, Thu, Fri)
Evening Mass 7:00pm Tuesdays

Confessions: Thurs 10:15-10:45, Sat 5.30-6:00pm & at call
Marriage and Baptism Preparation by appointment only
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Thurs 10-11am
Office Hours: Mon, Tue, Thurs & Fri 9:30am-2:30pm

From Father Anthony's Desk:

It was with great regret that I received the news that our Parish Secretary, Ms McCay Miller, has resigned from her position here at St Matthew's. I am sure that my sadness at this turn of events (though not totally unexpected) will be shared by all those parishioners who have had business to conduct in the office over the time that she has been working there.

This means that we will need someone to take McCay's place in the parish office. Anyone interested in the position should contact the parish office as soon as possible.

The roof over the toilets is being fixed at the time of writing, as there has been a leak into the two lavatories for some time. This is the kind of use to which your contributions to the Church Maintenance Fund is put.

Union of Catholic Mothers:

Meeting on Tuesday 17 April at 8pm.

Activity: Readings on Women's World Day of Prayer.

We welcome the recently baptised –*Munachi Obieke*.

We pray for him, his parents and godparents.

Parents of recently baptised children, please collect their certificates from the office.

Voluntary vacancy: We are in need a *Florist* to help to decorate the church once a month on a rota basis. Interested, please contact the parish office.

PARISH SICK LIST

Michael ,Mrs Dorothy Nichol, Monsignor James O'Neill, Mrs Mary Wallace, Mrs Peggy Phillips, Fr. Anthony Bailey, Mr Patrick Heneghan, Mrs Maureen Sheehan, Mr Martin Fisher, Ms Shelagh Mc Donough , Mrs Sheila Bohan

Please keep them in your prayers.

Dates for your Diary

Friday 27 April 7pm	Confirmation– Bishop Pat Lynch presiding
Sunday May 13, 11am	First Holy Communion Group 1
Sunday May 20, 11am	Group 2
Sunday May 27 5pm	Feast of Our Lady of Fatima

CAFOD–“Thank you for your support to our Lent Fast Day appeal. Donations to CAFOD until 12 May will be doubled by the UK Government. We have planned a £5 million programme to combat malnutrition - and with it we hope to be able to reach 245,000 people. But we need the full amount of match funding to make it happen. You can help us reach the full amount needed for this crucial programme. We still have some way to go yet! To donate please go to cafod.org.uk/lent “

Order of the Mass - Parish Mass Book page 6

Page 259 for the Readings

Preface Easter V, page 61. Euch Prayer 11, page 25.

Response to the Intercessions:

God may be glorified.

Communion Antiphon:

The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rose from the dead; in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.

Prayer to Our Lady:

Queen of heaven, rejoice! alleluia.
For he whom you did merit to bear;
 alleluia,
Has risen, as he said, alleluia.
Pray for us to God; alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary,
 alleluia,
For the Lord has risen indeed,
 alleluia.

Readings next Sunday: Acts 4:8-12, 1 John 3:1-2, John 10:11-18

ROTA - 15/22 APRIL:

HOUSECALLS (22nd) Mr R Vickers, Mr M Vamboi, Mrs A Ziebarth, Mrs K Joos

READERS(22nd) Ms E Isamah (Sat 6:30pm) Ms B De Souza (Sun 9am) Mrs E Nzekwu (Sun 11am)

OFFERTORY (22nd)–Vickers Fmly (Sat 6:30pm) Hagan-Tetteh Fmly (Sun 9am) Petrilli Fmly (Sun 11am)

CHURCH CLEANING MON 16 APR Ms M Oliveria

SAT 21 APR Ms V Gyamfi/Amelia Nweke

FLOWER ARRANGING– SAT 21 APR Mrs C Fallen

COUNTERS 15 APR Mr S Swain, Ms K Kabanova

22 APR Mr M Edwards, Mr G Jemmott

TEAS & COFFEE: 15 APR St Vincent de Paul Society

22 APR Gooding Fmly

If you are unable to fulfil your duty then please arrange for a substitute.

Finance for 8 April 2018

Gift Aid Envelope 63

Loose 322

84 Bankers Orders 460

Second Collection 140

Parish Total £985

Mass Attendance 259

As usual your generosity is always appreciated.

The second collection this week is for the Church Maintenance Fund

Gift Aid Envelopes:

Uncollected envelopes are available in the Sacristy after all Masses this weekend. If you haven't yet collected yours, please do so this weekend. Last Sunday was the start date for these envelopes .

RIP– MR JAMES HOLLAND-who passed away 30 March. His funeral service will take place here on **Monday 23 April** at **1:30pm** followed by cremation at West Norwood Crematorium. We pray for his eternal rest.

Mary's Meal will be at Church this Sunday morning to collect all your unwanted clothing/ bedding (**no duvets or pillows**) Please bring all your bags **before 11am**. Please ensure all sacks are tied– 4 full sacks will feed a child one good nutritious meal every school day for a year. Thank you.

Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage St George's Cathedral 16th June 2018 -If you are celebrating your 1st /10th/ 25th/ 40th/ 50th/ 60th+ wedding anniversary this year, please complete a form available in the Sacristy so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop.