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Sunday 31st March 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT – LAETARE SUNDAY

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Mass Times and Intentions:

Sunday 31st March 2019

Fourth Sunday of Lent – Laetare Sunday

6.15pm (Saturday 30th March 2019)

Maria & Antonio Telles RIP

(Confirmation Bible Presentation Mass)

8.30am People of the parish 10am The Holy Souls

11.30am Steve Downey RIP

4pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

5pm John Joseph Murphy RIP

Fourth week of Lent: Monday 1st April 2019

7.30am Karim Bacchus – for exam success 10am Eileen Cecilia McCarthy RIP

Tuesday 2nd April 2019

7.30am Intentions of Frank Game 10am Requiem for Claude Philip

Wednesday 3rd April 2019

7.30am Bridget Muldoon RIP 10am Tony Tambirasa RIP

Thursday 4th April 2019

7.30am Phyllis, Hannah & Kathleen McCarthy RIP (Foundation Mass) 10am Requiem for Angela Cassidy

Friday 5th April 2019 FIRST FRIDAY

7.30am Thanksgiving & Special Intention (Muoghalu family)

10am Intentions of Bridie Addison ADORATION AFTER 10AM MASS, UNTIL BENEDICTION AT 2PM.

7.30pm Stations of the Cross

Led by the Legion of Mary

8pm Thanksgiving – Adam Lungley

Saturday 6th April 2019

10am Kenneth Reynolds-Thompson RIP

Next Sunday 7th April 2019 Fifth Sunday of Lent **OUR PARISH MISSION OPENS**

6.15pm (Saturday 6th April 2019) Patrick Towey RIP

8.30am Thanksgiving for the life of Eileen McCarthy RIP

10am Bill Madden RIP

11.30am Hazel & Andy McCrystal and family (Foundation Mass)

(Polyphony Choir singing at this Mass)

4pm Stations of the Cross & Benediction

5pm People of the parish

Daily Mass & Prayer

*Mass: Monday - Friday: 7.30am

*Morning Prayer of the Church

Monday – Saturday: **9.15am** *Adoration & Benediction.

Monday - Saturday: 9.30am

*Mass: Monday – Saturday: 10am

*Mass: - Friday: 8pm

*Rosary: Monday – Saturday: 10.30am *Confessions:

Saturdays, after 10am Mass, until 11am; Then from 5pm to 6pm.

(and at call, if a priest is available.)

Parish Mass Book: This Sunday P.168

THANKYOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Last weekend's Collection: £1937.00, including £650.00 in Standing Orders.

CAFOD LENT FAST DAY

So far you have raised 1490.00. As more comes in, we shall update you next week.

OUR PARISH MISSION COMMENCES NEXT WEEKEND Saturday 6th April to Friday 12th April

We shall be welcoming once again Redemptorist Priests, Fr Charles and Fr Charlie, who will be leading all our Masses next weekend, to start our parish mission. Please keep an eye out in the newsletter, and on our Parish Web Site, on which the whole programme will be covered. Copies of the Mission Programme are available in all the porch a full part in our Mission, to enrich your spiritual lives as much as possible.

GIFT AID - NEW ENVELOPES

Why not invite your friends along?

These are in the small room behind Our Lady's altar. Please start using your new boxes on 7th April, and destroy all old envelopes you have. It is essential that vou use the correct coloured envelopes on the dates printed on them.

If you require an end of year letter for your tax return, after the end of this tax year (5th April 2019), please contact the parish office to request one.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK, UNDERGOING TREATMENT OR WHO ARE HOUSEBOUND:

Jessica Anane, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Caulfield, Jean Cowie, Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail. Raffaela Forte, Raffaele Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Evelyn Hyland, Baby Scarlett Kurowski, Elsie McCleave, James McDonald, Breda McDonagh, Michael Madigan, Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas, Ruby Mendez, Mary Meyern, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Charmaine Shali, Christine Shaughnessy, Fr David Standley, Edythe Thirlwall, Monica Vergara, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo, Tony Zammit.

CYCLONE IDAI APPEAL

CAFOD, as a member of the DEC (the Disasters Emergency Committee), is taking part in an appeal for those affected by the colossal disaster recently wreaked by Cyclone Idai, upon Mozambique and other countries further inland on the Continent of Africa. areas. You are strongly encouraged to take We have all witnessed this tragedy on our TV screens, and cannot escape the terrible scenes of death, destruction and disease.

You may donate online at: https://donation.dec.org.uk/cyclone#/ You may also Gift Aid your donation. In the meantime, please pray for those affected by this natural disaster.

LAETARE SUNDAY TODAY

Those children attending the 10am and 11.30 Masses today will be invited to come up to the sanctuary and collect a daffodil for their mother.

IN THE COMING WEEK:

Church Cleaning - Group 2 please.

CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

Wednesday 3rd April, Session 5, entitled "Prayers" from 7.30pm - 9pm in both halls.

FIRST FRIDAY

Friday 5th April, with adoration after the 10am Mass, concluding with Benediction at 2pm.

BARTS SENIORS

Friday 5th April, from 2pm – 4pm in the lower hall.

FREE COFFEE MORNINGS

As more people put their names down, we hope to increase the frequency and the number of Masses covered

EASTER FLOWERS

Please consider a donation in the special wall box in the main porch, to help our flower arrangers to beautify the church in readiness for Easter.

THANK YOU

Ranee Tambirasa and her family express their gratitude for all the messages, cards and Mass cards received following the death of their beloved Tony. The support received has been wonderful during this sad time.

BARTS SENIORS EASTER RAFFLE

Tickets available after some Masses from members of Barts Seniors, priced £1.00. You stand to win a Marks & Spencer Easter hamper. Good luck!

ANNUAL MARRIAGE MASS

This Mass, for those celebrating special anniversaries, is scheduled to take place at St George's Cathedral on Saturday 13th July at 3pm. Further details will be available in due course.

READERS AND EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

We are particularly short of readers for ALL Palm Sunday Masses on 13th & 14th April. Please get in touch ASAP. Please also send in your availability for the month of May, mindful of the fact that our First Holy Communion Masses will mean that the 11.30am is changed to 12 Noon, and that the First Holy Communion team will be organising readers.

DURING THE SEASON OF LENT

On Friday evenings at 7.30pm: Stations of the Cross, led by various parish groups, before the usual 8pm Mass. Sundays at 4pm: Stations of the Cross and Benediction. During our Mission, there will be a special service each weekday evening at 7pm.

LENTEN TALKS AND REFLECTIONS

The Southwark Diocesan Spirituality Commission is providing daily reflections, which you can receive by email. To subscribe, please visit: http://eepurl.com/bF0b6P

ALTAR SERVING OVER THE EASTER PERIOD

There are rotas in the sacristy to which as many servers as possible are asked to add their names, ensuring that parents and guardians are informed where necessary. Practices as follows:

For Palm Sunday 14th April, 11:30 Mass:

(Starting in the hall, followed by a procession to the church) A short practice will be held on Sunday 7th April at 6pm

For Maundy Thursday 18th April, 8pm:
Practice will be on Wednesday 17th April at 7.30pm

For Good Friday 19th April, 3pm: Practice will be on Good Friday morning at 10.30am

For Easter Vigil, Holy Saturday 20th April, 8.30pm: Practice will be on Holy Saturday morning at 10.30am

Please also sign up for Mass on Easter Sunday morning. NB: No Benediction or 5pm Mass on Easter Sunday.

INSTALLATION OF NEW POWER CABLES

Please take care when coming to the Presbytery, and kindly avoid crossing the front garden between the side door of the church and the presbytery itself. This is because excavation work has now begun to enable the sinking of the necessary cables under the ground. The affected area is taped off. Thank you for your patience whilst we await necessary work by UK Power Networks, the local council, Transport for London, electricity suppliers, electricians and builders, before the new heating system can be fully up and running. We hope that all will be have been completed in time for Easter.

CHILDREN'S STATIONS OF THE CROSS

On Good Friday, 19th April at 12.00 Noon, some of our young people will take part in a special Stations of the Cross. We are seeking children from school nursery up to secondary school ages to take part, with the necessary parental permission. If you would like your child to take part, please contact Linda Harries at: 1.harries@gmail.com or call her on 07770 623230.

Please register your interest by **Friday 5th April** at the latest.

There will be a rehearsal for this event in the church on Maundy Thursday 18th April at 3pm, which all those who will be taking part should attend.



The Prodigal son. Picture courtesy of www.salfordliturgy.org.uk