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**Newsletter for the two weeks commencing 2nd April 2023**

**Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord through to the 2nd Sunday of Easter**

**Father Behr writes:**

Dear Parishioners

**Holy Week at St Andrew’s**

**Monday 3rd April**

9.30am Morning Prayer from the Divine Office

10am Mass followed by Stations of the Cross. **Confession available after Mass**

**Tuesday 4th April**

9.30am Morning Prayer from the Divine Office

10am Mass **Confession available after Mass**

**Wednesday 5th April**

9.30am Morning Prayer from the Divine Office

10am Word and Communion followed by Stations of the Cross

**Thursday 6th April**

9.30am Morning Prayer from the Divine Office **Confession available after Morning Prayer**

7.30pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper with washing of feet and watching until 10pm

**Good Friday 7th April**

10:00 am Ecumenical witness service at the Town Hall

3pm Good Friday Passion

**Holy Saturday 8th April**

9.30am Morning Prayer from the Divine Office **Confession from 10:30 am to 11:00am**

8pm Easter Vigil Mass

**Easter Sunday 9 April**

10am Mass

12pm Traditional Latin Mass

**I encourage everyone to take part in the Sacred Triduum.**

**I’d like to wish you a very blessed and joyful Easter.**

**Thank you for your cards and gifts.**

**Fr Behr**

**Your Prayers are asked for:**

**Those recently deceased:** Angela Clarke – Funeral Tunbridge Wells Crematorium Tuesday 4th April at 12:15

**Those ill or infirm:** Mara McDermott, Jane McKinnon, June Munton, Maureen Escott, Ailish Cantwell (Jones), Sylwia Dorosz, Joe Adams, Ellie Lawrence, Patricia Hook, Josie Payne, Pat Holland and all those who are unwell and in need of our prayers.

**Those whose anniversaries of death occur at this time:** Evelyn Mary Hargreaves, Raymond Ellis, John Hill, Kathleen Lawrence, Alex Hatch, Nora Mary McMahon, Peter Schouten, John Witham, Fiona Dodsworth, Andrew Lakhi, Ellen Lawrence, Ethel Klemen, Edgar Beard, Eric Beresford, Mary Goulding, Frederick Collison, Eric Booth, Elizabeth Booth, Suzanna Davis, John Keane,

Catherine Beard, Gerald Salmon, Elizabeth Armstrong, Vera Ware (Hilda) and. Ellen Marren.

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| **Holy Week services (1st – 9th April), Feasts and Mass intentions during the week.** | |
| **Saturday 1st April**  **Vigil Mass of Sunday** | No public Mass am  10.30 -11am Confession  6pm Vigil Mass *People of the Parish*  **Reader: Pat, Peter** |
| **Sunday 2nd April**  **PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD** | 10am Mass *Ron Basher RIP* **Reader: Rachel, Kathy**  12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Monday 3rd April** | 10am Mass *Our Lady Queen of Peace (see above)* |
| **Tuesday 4th April**  St Isidore, Bishop 7 Doctor of the Church) | 10am Mass *Donor’s Intention (see above)* |
| **Wednesday 5th April**  St Vincent Ferrer, Priest | 10am Service of the Word and Holy Communion followed by the Stations of the Cross |
| **Thursday 6th April**  **MAUNDY THURSDAY** | 9.30am Morning Prayer from the Divine Office  Confession available after Morning Prayer  **7.30pm Mass of the Lord’s Supper with washing of feet. Reader: Suzanne** |
| **Friday 7th April**  **FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (GOOD FRIDAY)**  St John Baptiste de la Salle, Priest; St Henry Walpole, Martyr | **10am** **Ecumenical witness service at the Town Hall**  **3pm The Passion of the Lord Readers: James, Lorraine (or Suzanne)**  **COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY PLACES OF PALESTINE** |
| **Saturday 8th April**  **HOLY SATURDAY**  **EASTER VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT**  **St Julie Billiart, Religious** | No public Mass am  10.30 -11am Confession  **8pm Vigil Mass** *Martin Cummins RIP*  **Readers: Brian, Lynton, Frances, Pat** |
| **Sunday 9th April**  **EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Collette**  12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Next week’s services (10th – 15th April), Feasts and Mass Intentions during the week.** | |
| **Monday 10th April**  **within the Octave of Easter** | No Mass |
| **Tuesday 11th April**  **within the Octave of Easter** | No Mass |
| **Wednesday 12th April**  **within the Octave of Easter** | 10am Service of the Word and Holy Communion |
| **Thursday 13th April**  **within the Octave of Easter** | No Mass |
| **Friday 14th April**  **within the Octave of Easter** | 10am Mass *Margaret and Nick*  10.30 – 11.30am Adoration |
| **Saturday 15th April**  **within the Octave of Easter** | No public Mass am  10.30 -11am Confession  6pm Vigil Mass*Mark and Anna*  **Reader: James** |
| **Sunday 16th April**  **SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Brian**  12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Flowers: for Maundy Thursday – Altar of repose – Suzanne**  **Holy Saturday – All arrangers for Easter decorations**  **15th April – Breeda (Tweaking)** | |

**Confession**

Fr Behr is available for Confession every Saturday from 10.30am - 11am. He is also happy to visit those who are not able to come to church.

**Easter flowers retiring collection**

-Please give generously to help with the cost of the flowers to adorn the church as part of our celebrations for Easter.

**Important Message from the Finance Committee**

Easter Day collection - the collections at the Easter services, (Easter Vigil, and Easter Day), provides the parishioners an opportunity to express their gratitude for the work our parish priest carries out throughout the year. The collections allow Father Behr to use the money for his personal needs. Easter and Christmas are the only occasions he can use the money for his personal needs. The rest of the year the collections are for use towards the upkeep and maintenance of the church and presbytery.

**Children’s Liturgy**

All children who have not made their First Holy Communion are welcome to attend.  The next lesson with Liz Dumbleton is on Sunday 2 April during 10am Mass.

**Refreshments after Mass**

Rob and Isabella are doing the coffee morning on Sunday. Do stay for a coffee/tea and a chat if you have time.

**Divine Mercy Sunday April 16th at 3pm, followed by refreshments.**

We begin at 3pm the Hour of Mercy followed by Adoration and Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

We finish at 4pm with Solemn Benediction then refreshments in the parish centre. Please put the date in your diary.

Our Lord said to St Faustina

“Souls that make an appeal to My mercy delight Me. To such souls I grant even more graces than they ask. I cannot punish even the greatest sinner if he makes an appeal to My compassion (Diary,1146). Beg for mercy for the whole world (570). No soul that has called upon My mercy has ever been disappointed (1541). “

**Southwark Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, 18th-25th August.**

Message from Bishop Paul. After the restrictions of the past few years, I’m delighted that we are now once more able to include support for pilgrims who need assistance for medical or mobility reasons. In Lourdes, those who are often marginalised are placed at the centre, and we who travel with them are blessed by their presence. I warmly invite you to join us. For details, please see

<https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/southwark-ca>

**Vocation**

*Thinking more about vocation? Want to focus on and hear stories of mission and discipleship? Join the National Office for Vocation for 'The Conversation', where we have a panel of guests to discuss how they live out their vocation and the work they carry out in the Church. See how each person is called to follow Christ in their own discipleship journey and live out their mission. Here is a list of who will be joining us, with more guests to be announced:*

*Jade Broadley - Director of Youth 2000*

*Fr Gladson Dabre OSA*

*Helena Judd - Radio Maria England*

*Sr Carino O.P. - Dominican Sisters of St Joseph*

*Fr Paul Kyne - Archdiocese of Southwark Vocations Director*

*Simeon Elderfield*

*Sr Maria Robb DC*

*To meet our panel and hear more about their vocation and discipleship story, book free now:*[https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/.../the-conversation-tickets...](https://l.facebook.com/l.php?u=https%3A%2F%2Fwww.eventbrite.co.uk%2Fe%2Fthe-conversation-tickets-591361055837%3Ffbclid%3DIwAR0LUsBZPPykdTXSK8UStandlBoBrn8HswkBPSva3FoQR5C57TvFmECzotA&h=AT0qo76vXXCMEBU_GZrs6El9bIMiF9J-LkrMC-HuX8-NaEpXqpVmSc3FyGaT3AyytdPH0c2DnN_eEvyB2cD9MP8Sgpfnuw8F91oVWrpCySL1qQiHKhBqX4HTgtYt-BRh6sRYH-KyXVBJeDa6rQ&__tn__=-UK-R&c%5b0%5d=AT3g65kbQJD0J_cgSxOWtfzm-e9jTsUevSZi-u7cG_w_5XHZhRmTnyUTAGonDyHbQky3JY5cktEbKjpZnUocsSR-1eeDC-Q49mPXFcxz8GuPu90S4F_F6b-1iBizAjVwTwEVgUzMosAwi_rfJ2mtovwQkwzq9oL9XOV8F-MRkt_lAKy-bmwMrGgvqKBXGgAe0MH5CYjE80Rk)

Best Wishes

Father Behruz Rafat