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**Newsletter for the week commencing 16th April 2023**

**Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) (A)**

**Entrance antiphon: Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.**

**First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2: 36-37**

**Psalm 117 Response: Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end.**

**Second Reading: First letter of St Peter 1: 3-9**

**Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: @You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe. Alleluia!**

**Gospel: John 20: 19-31**

**Communion antiphon: Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.**

**Father Behr writes:**

Dear Parishioners,

**Priest Training Fund Second Collection 30th April**

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today.  Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese.

After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 3 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest.

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We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today.

Thank you!

• Donate Online: [www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF)

• Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right)

• Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: **020 7960 2504**

• Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of church.

**Fr Behr**

**King Charles III**

We pray that our nation will rediscover our deep Christian roots in all the values we treasure.

We pray that God will bless and protect King Charles

**Your Prayers are asked for:**

**Those recently deceased:**

**Those ill or infirm:** 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:** Catherine Beard, Gerald Salmon, Elizabeth Armstrong, Vera Ware (Hilda), Ellen Marren. Joan Carey, Bozena Cloutier Wonska (Chris Lacki’s sister), Nellie Southcott, Elsie Browne, Deborah Burke, Bernard Grayner, John Stanley and Jack Holman.

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| **This week’s services (15th – 22nd April 2023), Feasts and Mass intentions during the week.** | |
| **Saturday 15th April**  **Saturday with 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 (A)** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Brian**  12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Monday 17th April**  Feria | 10am Mass *Patrick and Ellen Marren RIP* |
| **Tuesday 18th April**  Feria | 10am Mass *Stan Iglinski RIP* |
| **Wednesday 19th April**  St Alphege, Bishop & Martyr | 10am Mass *Joan Carey RIP* |
| **Thursday 20th April**  Feria | 9am-10am Adoration  10am Mass *Sanctity of Human Life* |
| **Friday 21st April**  St Anselm, Bishop & doctor of the Church | 10am Mass *John and Sonia Barry RIP*  10.30 – 11.30am Adoration |
| **Saturday 22nd April**  Feria | No public Mass am  10.30 -11am Confession  6pm Vigil *Mass Wendy’s Intentions*  **Reader: Kathy** |
| **Sunday 23rd April**  **Third Sunday of Easter (A)** | 10am Mass *People of the Parish* **Reader: Frances**  12 Midday Traditional Latin Mass |
| **Flowers: for 23rd April St George – Frances** | |
| **Cleaners: 22nd/23rd April – Martin & Rachel** | |

**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.

**Visit of Bishop Paul Hendricks**

On the weekend of 29/30April we welcome Bishop Paul Hendricks who will be celebrating Holy Mass for us at the 6pm and 10am Mass. I’m sure you will give him a warm welcome. Please stay for refreshments after the 10am Mass if you can.

**Fr Hagreen Memorial with refreshments**.

On Tuesday 2 May at 10am we have a special Mass for Fr John Hagreen RIP who was parish priest of St Andrew Tenterden from 1984-1997.

Bryan Masters has produced another fascinating 25-minute film which will be of interest to all parishioners. Film and refreshments from 10.30 onwards.

If anybody has a copy of the **1992 edition of Catholic Truth Society Guide to Lourdes** (the front cover features a woodcut by Philip Hagreen) we would like to take a photo of the cover.

**Divine Mercy Sunday April 16 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>

**2023 TENTERDEN CHRISTIAN BREAKFAST PROGRAMME**

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| Date | For whom | Speaker | Topic | Venue |
| May 20th | Everyone | Jolyon & Friends | Christian Aid Big Breakfast and short service. | St Andrew's Parish Centre |
| July 22nd | Men | Andrew Tapsell | Forest Church: Connecting with the Creator Through Creation. | St Mildred's Church Hall |
| September 16th | Everyone | Matthew Clay | "Discovering God's Fingerprints:  A Reflection on Psalm 19" | Zion Baptist Church |
| November 25th | Everyone | Jeanette Kennett | Iona | St Andrew’s Parish Centre |

Breakfasts 8.15 for an 8.30am start and aim to be finished by 10am

Cost £10 per head to cover catering costs and expenses including any speakers costs

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**Easter Offerings**,

A total of £1715.91, the breakdown of which is; £742.50 from gift aid envelopes, £923.41 from loose cash and £50.00 (cash from a previous week). This total does not include any payments via the new machine.

**Easter Flowers Donations**

A big **thank you** to all those who contributed to the collection for flowers at Easter. You raised a massive £246.51 which enabled the arrangers to make our church look beautiful.