

OUR LADY OF ENGLAND

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Easter Sunday - 4th April & 2nd Sunday of Easter, Year B - 11th April 2021

NEXT SUNDAY 4, Easter Sunday, Year B

(Acts 10:34a, 37-43; Colossians 3:1-4; John 20:1-9) 8pm Saturday Vigil: People of the Parish 8.00am People of the Parish 10.00am People of the Parish

MONDAY 5, Easter Monday

(Acts 2:14, 22-33; Matthew 28:8-15)

TUESDAY 6, Easter Tuesday

(Acts 2:36-41; John 20:11-18) 10 – 10.30am Ecumenical Prayers (see over)

WEDNESDAY 7, Easter Wednesday

(Acts 3:1-10; Luke 24:13-35) Church open 2 – 4pm (Face covering required)

THURSDAY 8, Easter Thursday

(Acts 3:11-26; Luke 24:35-48)

FRIDAY 9, Easter Friday

(Acts 4:1-12; John 21:1-14)

SATURDAY 10, Easter Saturday

Church open 10am - 12 noon (Face covering required)

(Acts 4:13-21; Mark 16:9-15)

6.00pm Mass: Holy Souls of the past year

NEXT SUNDAY 11, 2nd 'Low' Sunday of Easter Sunday, Year B

(Acts 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6; John 20:19-31) 8.00am Holy Souls of the past year 10.00am Holy Souls of the past year

MONDAY 12, Monday after 2nd Sunday of **Easter**

(Acts 4:23-31; John 3:1-8)

TUESDAY 13, Tuesday after 2nd Sunday of **Easter**

(Acts 4:32-37; John 3:7b-15)

WEDNESDAY 14, Wednesday after 2nd Sunday of Easter

(Acts 5:17-26; John 3:16-21) Church open 2 – 4pm (Face covering required)

THURSDAY 15, Thursday after 2nd Sunday of Easter

(Acts 5:27-33; John 3: 31-36)

FRIDAY 16, Friday after 2nd Sunday of Easter (Acts 5:34-42; John 6:1-15)

SATURDAY 17, Saturday after 2nd Sunday of **Easter**

Church open 10am - 12 noon (Face covering required) (Acts 6:1-7; John 6:16-21) 6.00pm Mass: People of the Parish

NEXT SUNDAY 18, 3rd Sunday of Easter, Year B

(Acts 3:13-15, 17-19; 1 John 2:1-5a; Lk 24:35-48) 8.00am People of the Parish 10.00am People of the Parish

OUR LOCAL CATHOLIC SCHOOLS ARE:

St Philip's Catholic Primary School London Road, Arundel

Tel: 01903 882115 www.stphilipsarundel.org.uk

St Philip Howard Catholic School Elm Grove South, Barnham Tel: 01243 552055 www.sphcs.co.uk

From Fr Charles

Dear Friends, let us know deep within ourselves the solemn joy and meaning of this Day. "Christ is Risen" has been our only light through this past year, both for the living and the faithful departed. May He lead us forward with courage for all that the future may hold.

If you are coming to church, please bring a face covering unless exempt. Entry into the church may take longer than usual so please arrive in good time. The Stewards will be assisting everyone with hand sanitising, showing people to socially distanced seating, and keeping a note of the households attending in case of track and trace needs. Please follow their guidance, and note that to make best use of space you may not be seated in your 'usual spot'. Overflow seating is available in the cloister with an audio relay.

The kneelers may be used. Votive lights will not be available. It is perfectly acceptable to attend Mass, make a Spiritual Communion, and not receive Holy Communion if you feel it's too great a risk. The obligation to attend Sunday Mass remains suspended.

Please note that the toilets will only be available for emergencies.

Please park responsibly when attending church, using the car park if possible, and leaving space for pedestrians and vehicles, including emergency vehicles, to negotiate safely the roads by our church. This is a Christian witness.

Holy Saturday: the Church will NOT be open in the morning for private prayer. A much shortened Easter Vigil will begin at **8pm** in the church. There will be no fire, or procession, or sprinkling of baptismal water, and the number of readings will be much reduced.

Easter Sunday: Masses, in church, at the usual times: **8am, 10am.**

DIOCESAN MISSION 'INVITED': The full series of videos remains available on the Diocesan website www.abdiocese.org.uk Transcripts of speakers and those giving testimony are also available. It is an excellent series.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the soul of Father Brian Taylor of the Diocese of Arundel and Brighton who died on 25 March.

CAFOD WALK FOR WATER Louise Sharp completed the challenge to walk 10,000 steps every day of Lent. A huge thanks to all those who have donated raising over £1,000.00.

SHORT PODCASTS FOR EASTER Recorded last year by Fr Charles and available on the parish website: Easter Vigil (in two parts), Easter Sequence Victimae Paschali Laudes, Easter Marian Anthem Regina Coeli, and the Easter Bells.

EASTER OFFERING The offertory basket will be on the table as usual near the Stewards on Holy Saturday 8pm and Easter Sunday 8am and 10am. Cheques can also be sent in, please make them payable to 'Our Lady of England Church' so the monies are processed through the parish and can be gift-aided if possible. Many thanks for your continued support in so many ways.

MASSES NEXT WEEKEND will be offered for the Holy Souls, to pray as a parish for all who have died during this past year, that they may share in Christ's resurrection.

HEARING AID USERS PLEASE READ Hearing Aid Loop Temporary Suspension. We have been advised that the make and model of our hearing aid loop driver has a serious design flaw and consequent fire risk. It will be switched off after Easter Sunday. Until a product replacement is arranged the hearing aid loop system will not work. After Easter Sunday, hearing aid users should leave their aids on their normal setting and not switch over to the 'T' setting. Many apologies for this inconvenience, we will rectify this as soon as possible.

TUESDAY ECUMENICAL PRAYERS

This Tuesday, 6th April, 10-10.30am at the back of the church.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY meets on Zoom usually at 4pm on Saturdays. If you've not joined before and would like to, e-mail storrington@abdiocese.org.uk

DIOCESAN FAIRTRADE GROUP The Diocese of Arundel & Brighton is a Fairtrade Diocese - 50% of our churches are certificated as meeting the Fairtrade Foundation's criteria for Fairtrade churches and agree to use products with the FAIRTRADE mark. The A&B Fairtrade Group ensures that goals continue to be met and aims to raise awareness about Fairtrade labelled products including those sold by Traidcraft - which support fair terms of trade, decent working conditions and local sustainability for farmers and producers in the developing world. The Group needs more members from across the Diocese and would welcome enquiries from interested people. The Group meets three times a year. Please contact Sue Joy, Convenor. email: SusanJoy471@hotmail.com 01342 835190. Thank you.

PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL Easter Sunday - 4th April 2021

On this day as we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, let us be filled with joy and hope to dispel the anxieties and worries around us so that we may pray with confidence for our needs and the needs of others.

Let us pray for the Church that she may promote the triumph of the risen Lord to the world and bring to all his body and blood united with us in spirit Lord hear us ...

Let us pray for world leaders that they work together in harmony for the wellbeing of their people. Lord hear us ...

Let us pray for front line services personnel that the redeeming love, protection, and care of Jesus may keep them safe and well to carry out their work of protection. Lord hear us ...

Let us pray for the children in our own country who lack the care, support and guidance they need. We ask that they be kept safe from violence; involvement in crime; and the pitfalls of social media. Lord hear us ...

Let us pray for our parish community, may the special blessings of Eastertide bring a deepening of our faith and a greater awareness of the needs of others. Lord hear us ...

Let us pray for those who have requested our prayers and our own private intentions. We ask Mary, the mother of Jesus, to pray with us as we say - Hail Mary...

We ask that our petitions be heard in the name of the Risen Lord and in the strength of the Holy Spirit who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

A & B DIOCESAN LOURDES PILGRIMAGE 2021

Applications now open at https://2021.ablourdes.org/ the pilgrimage is not open to assisted pilgrims this year due to COVID restrictions. For more information see the website.

PETITION: That the Government Does Not Reduce Overseas Aid:

https://petition.parliament.uk/petitions/561068

There are suggestions that the Government is planning to reduce its commitment to giving 0.7% of GDP as overseas aid. We want to keep this foreign aid and help the world's poor. Please sign the petition.

THE PLASTIC BOTTLE TOP collection remains

suspended. Please do not bring bottle tops to the church. It's because handling and transferring 'stuff' increases the COVID risk.

PARISH SVP GROUP Annual report is being sent out with this newsletter.

SUNDAY OFFERTORY COLLECTION For those not on a standing order, a monthly cheque payable to "Our Lady of England Church" is preferable to cash as it presents less risk to our money counters. Cheques can be sent in by post. If you use the parish gift-aid envelopes, please include one with your cheque to help us collect the gift-aid. Thank you for your recent offerings of £1,151:56

THE YEAR OF ST JOSEPH Pope Francis has written a letter on the 150th Anniversary of Blessed Pope Pius IX's declaration of St Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To celebrate the anniversary, Pope Francis has proclaimed a special "Year of St Joseph," beginning on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception 2020 and extending to the same feast in 2021. See Catholic Bishops Conference of England and Wales (cbcew.org.uk)

PRAYER FOR HEALTH STAFF

Wondrous God, author of life, you fashioned us in your likeness and breathed into us the life which is your own. Be with those whose special care is the health of mind and body. Fill their hearts with awe for the life which is your gift and sustain them daily in your service, that their hands may bring to others the comfort of your healing touch. Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED

Merciful God, come to the help of your people.

Be our shelter in this time of peril
and strengthen the bonds of our community.

Bring healing to all who suffer
the ravages of disease
and assist those whose skill and art
can put an end to this affliction.

Through Christ our Lord.

Amen.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER OF ST ALPHONSUS

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things
and I passionately desire to receive you into my
soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,
come spiritually into my soul
so that I may unite myself wholly to you
now and forever.

Amen.