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## Easter Sunday (year C) - 17th April 2022

### The Lord is Risen. Alleluia!

*The mourning, sadness and silence of the sealed tomb is past. All questioning is gone. Now Peter and John understand the teaching of scripture that He must rise from the dead.*

*Today, we rejoice with Peter and John, with Mary of Magdala and with the others who heard the news on that first Easter morn. The Lord's rising was not only for them – it is for us and for every person who ever lived. Death is swallowed up in victory, the ways of the past have gone and we look forward in hope and in the life that Jesus has won for us.*

*This is the Good News – and our task, as at any time in the history of the Church, is to proclaim this new life to the world around us. There has never been a time when the world has not needed this Good News, and we must pray that all will be touched by the peace that the Risen Lord brings to us, that the world be transformed in His love*

*May we all be blessed with peace on this day of Resurrection.  
With every Blessing, + Richard, Bishop of Arundel and Brighton*

**Churches and Covid** - though restrictions have been lifted in England we are encouraged to exercise caution and consideration for others in the parish, especially those who are more vulnerable and anxious. Bishop Richard has issued some guidelines which he strongly urges us to continue: the use of **sanitization** on entry and exit from Church buildings, the wearing of **face coverings** for the protection of others, **Communion under one kind** only. The Bishops of England and Wales have not restored 'The Sunday Obligation' but have issued a rich reflection on 'The Day or the Lord' which they urge everyone to reflect on. For the full letter see the Bishops website and our parish website.

**Welcome & Congratulations** to Beverley, Fope, Janine, and Jonathan who have been welcomed into the Catholic faith through the Easter Sacraments. Please keep them in your prayer as they continue their journey with the Lord.

**Thinking about becoming a Catholic?** We run informal 'Come and see' sessions on Tuesday evenings - contact the parish office for information

**Holy Hour for Ukraine** - Sunday afternoons 3pm at St Joseph's Church - come and pray in quiet before the Lord in Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. Why not bring the children for a few minutes visit before the Lord?

**Ukraine Humanitarian Appeal:** You can donate online, and gift aid - [www.Cafod.org.uk](http://www.Cafod.org.uk). You can also find resources there for prayers for Ukraine.

**Young Adults (18-35)** - A Day at the Seaside, East Preston, Saturday 7 May. Join our diocesan young adult community for a day with Fr Stephen Ortiger. Mass will be followed by a walk on the beach and lunch - a great opportunity to get to know Catholics your age. For more details contact: [lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk](mailto:lizzie.wakeling@abdiocese.org.uk)

**Diocesan Mission: Invited: Season II** - Growing in Faith, with an exciting line-up of speakers Episode 1 will be available online Easter Monday, 18th April, with Diocese-wide zooms happening each Thursday evening. This Eastertide we look to the Early Church for inspiration on how to be true followers of Christ.

**Prefer to meet in person?** We are going to host a 'come and watch' session weekly with light refreshments, after morning mass on Wednesdays at St Joseph's, showing the video presentation and sharing key questions for people to reflect on during the week. No need to book. See: <https://www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited> for more details

**Gift Aid 2022/3** - please pick up your new box of envelopes from the back of church after mass if you use these. **How to gift aid to the parish** if you would like to know more about this scheme of claiming tax back for the parish (which increases offerings you make by 25%) please contact our team: [pnlgiftaid@gmail.com](mailto:pnlgiftaid@gmail.com)

**Our Flower arrangers** are looking for more volunteers to build up the rota of helpers. Why not give it a try? Help and support is available - contact the parish office.

**The Yellow Bucket** - our local foodbank is based at St Matthew's Church and you can donate directly or via the 'Yellow Buckets' at the back of the Churches. Thanks.

**Are you 18-30?** CAFOD offers a 'Step into the gap' 10-month programme of youth work, where you can new skills, developing as a leader and gaining work experience. [www.Cafod.org.uk](http://www.Cafod.org.uk)

**Catholic Women Praying Together** (Catholic Women's League, UCM, Life Ascending, Ladies Ordinariate Group) Annual Mass & Get Together - 11am on April 28th 2022 At the Church of the Immaculate Conception, Farm Street, London Celebrant: Bishop John Sherrington, choir of St John Fisher School - All welcome.

**The Easter Collection (giftaidable)** is by tradition your personal offering to your parish priest. If you would like to donate online email the parish office for details.

#### Collections

Offertory Collection last weekend: £1114.08

*Thank you for your generosity*

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**ST JOSEPH'S 17<sup>TH</sup> REIGATE SCOUTS**  
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**EAST SURREY HOSPITAL**  
The hospital will not inform the Catholic chaplain, Fr Alban (01293 431703), of your presence in the hospital unless a specific request is made by either yourself or your family for a visit. If you would like a visit from him please ask the staff or contact him directly yourself. If you are going in hospital as a 'Planned Admission' you are encouraged to contact Fr Tony to receive the Sacrament of the Sick prior to your Hospital stay.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR  
THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND**

Patricia Blackwell, Malcolm Tadd, Jørgen Løvbakke, Chris Bayley, Zackery Tuffrey, Jean Longley, Bridget Steward, Dilys Purtell, Roland Cambel, Rosaline Liberman, Michael Fife, Mary Steer, Stephanie Remnant, Monica Peters, Maria Mellone, Brigid Gow, Anne Grier, Lydia Fagan, Bill & Maureen Wasson, Fr Laurence Quin-Morris, Maria Dimaculangan, Michael Scoltock, Marcus Higgins, Marion & Barry Scholefield, Malcolm & Maria Chelvanayagam, Damian Poole, Pat Weller, Chris & Margaret Byrne, Edith Rashbrook, Sarah Healy, Sheilanine Barrientos, Margaret McGettrick, Kathleen Beckey, Claire Chantal, Richard & Meli Greaves, and all sick and housebound of our parish.

*If you or someone you know is sick & housebound and would like to receive Communion please contact*

**Easter Sunday (year C)**

**Sat 16 Apr Easter Vigil and First Mass of Easter**

Gn 1:1.26-31; Ex 14:15-15:1; Ez 36:16-28; Rm 6:3-11; Lk 24:1-12

**St Joseph's 20.30** People of the Parish

**Sun 17 Apr**

Acts 10:34, 37-43; Ps 117; Col 3:1-4; Lk 24.1-12.

**Response:** *This day was made by the Lord we rejoice and are glad.*

**Holy Family 09.00** Special Intention

**St Joseph's 11.00** Deceased of the parish

**St Teresa's 17.30** Private Intention.

**Mon 18 Apr Easter Monday**

**St Teresa's 10.00** Fr Anthony Hale RIP

**Tue 19 Apr Easter Tuesday**

No mass

**Wed 20 Apr Easter Wednesday**

**St Joseph's 10.00** John Philmore RIP

**Thur 21 Apr Easter Thursday**

**Holy Family 10.00** John Motion RIP

**Friday 22 Apr Easter Friday**

**St Joseph's 10.00** Patricia Blackwell (sick)

**Second (Low) Sunday of Easter (year C)**

Acts 5:12-16; Ps 117; Rev 1: 9-13.17-19; Jn 20:19-31

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

**Sat 23 Apr**

**St Joseph's 17.30** Rourke & Reade Family RIP

**Sun 24 Apr**

**Holy Family 09.00** The People of Ukraine

**St Joseph's 11.00** People of the Parish

**St Teresa's 17.30** Private Intention

The Sacrament of Reconciliation can be celebrated by appointment  
Please contact the parish office

**PRAYER FOR A SPIRITUAL COMMUNION** Please use this prayer if you need to isolate, or are unwell, or unable to come to Mass: My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen. (St Alphonsus Liguori)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF:**

**Fr Anthony Hale (CP) RIP**, a Passionist priest, retired in this parish. His funeral has not yet been arranged.

**Ellen (Eileen) Bell RIP** her funeral will take place on Wednesday 20th April at 2.45pm at the Surrey and Sussex Crematorium

**Please remember them and their families in your prayers.**