



# Ordinariate and Parish Church MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark  
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



## EASTER SUNDAY

5th April 26



**In the gospel reading today**, we hear that Christ our hope is arisen! Christ died to rise again, so that his Father will be glorified. We too are brought back to true life in Christ. If we died with him we will rise with him and in our lives be witnesses to the power of the resurrection.

**The Lord is risen, Alleluia!** Today is Easter Sunday. Jesus is Risen. Alleluia!

**Easter has eight days**, an Octave (it can't be fitted into one day). So every day this week is as important as today. *Alleluia!*

**Easter Monday Mass** tomorrow, being a Bank holiday, is at 10am.

**Choral Evensong** on Wednesday this week 19.00 followed by an Easter Supper.

**Easter Friday** this week, because it's *Easter* Friday is not a day of abstinence. Cooked breakfast it is then!

**Our Organ recital** is on Saturday this week 12.30 - Dewi Rees from St Alban's Abbey.

**Easter Lilies** in Church are all in memory of loved ones. Thank you to those who made offerings for them. Their names are on the altar and will remain there through Eastertide.

**Do you have a role at MPB**, either low level, or a high level requiring a DBS check? You are invited to a safeguarding gathering on 19th April, at 10.15

**Wear something white** for Easter Sunday - did you remember? We're all ready and dressed for the Kingdom.

**The end of the Tax Year** is today. If you haven't yet, please, please, *Gift Aid* your donations to MPB. Higher Tax and Super Tax payers might want to reduce their tax liability by making a large donation to MPB and gain 20pc *plus*, back. See Chris our Finance chairman how it works today.

**Lent Project** for your savings from fasting and your Lent almsgiving. Thank you to those who directed them to the Project. There's still time....

**The Regina Coeli** replaces the *Angelus* in Eastertide. Do you know it by heart? Sing with Mary the Resurrection joy of her Son.

**Divine Mercy Sunday** is next week. Do you have an image the Divine Mercy in your home? *Jesus I trust in You!*

**Did you know**, seven days without Mass makes one weak?





Brothers and sisters, On this most holy day, the Church lifts her voice in exultation: Christ is risen! The stone is rolled away, not merely from the tomb, but from the hearts of all who believe. What was sealed in sorrow has been opened in glory; what was bound by

death has been loosed by divine power. Let no one remain captive to despair, for the Lord has shattered the gates of darkness and leads His people into the light of life.

This is the day the Lord has made, a day unlike any other, for it reveals the triumph that no earthly power could achieve. The Resurrection is not only an event to be remembered, but a mystery to be lived. In rising from the dead, Christ does not return to the life He had before, but enters into a new and imperishable existence. And in Him, we too are invited to share that new life—freed from sin, renewed in grace, and destined for eternal communion with God.

Consider, dearly beloved, what has been given to us. Through the Passion, the Lord bore our wounds; through the Cross, He carried our burdens; and through the Resurrection, He restores our hope. The enemy who once held dominion through fear has been overcome, not by force of arms, but by the humility and obedience of the Son. Death itself, which seemed to reign supreme, has become the pathway to life.

Yet this victory is not distant from us. It is not confined to a past moment, nor re-

served for a future promise alone. The power of the Resurrection is at work here and now, within the Church and within each faithful soul. Whenever we turn from sin and embrace righteousness, whenever we choose mercy over judgment, truth over falsehood, love over indifference, we participate in the risen life of Christ.

Let us then not return to the shadows from which we have been delivered. It would be unworthy of so great a redemption to cling again to the habits of sin or to live as though hope were uncertain. We have been marked by the light of Christ; let us walk as children of that light. Let our words reflect His truth, our actions reveal His charity, and our lives proclaim His victory.

In this sacred season, the Church calls us to rejoice—but also to bear witness. The world, often weary and divided, longs for the peace that only the Risen Lord can give. We are entrusted with this message, not merely in speech, but in the witness of transformed lives. Let our homes be places of forgiveness, our communities signs of unity, and our hearts dwelling places of grace.

Do not be afraid, then, to hope boldly. The Resurrection assures us that no suffering is without meaning, no loss without redemption, no darkness without the promise of dawn. Christ goes before us, and where He has gone, we are called to follow.

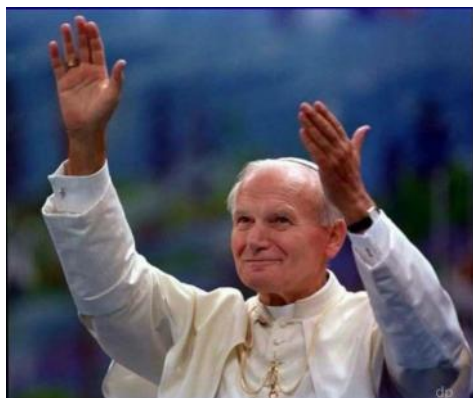
Therefore, beloved, lift up your hearts. Rejoice in the Lord who has conquered death and opened for us the way to eternal life. Let this Easter not pass as a fleeting celebration, but remain as a living reality within you. For Christ is risen, and in Him, we rise. Alleluia.

*An Easter message  
in the style of Pope Leo*

*Alleluia!*  
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We renew our Baptismal promises on Easter Sunday.  
What's the date of your Baptism?



“Those who sincerely say  
'JESUS I TRUST IN YOU'  
will find comfort in  
all their anxieties and fears.

Pope St. John Paul II

*Alleluia!*

**Regina Cœli**

Joy to thee, O Queen of Heaven, alleluia:  
He whom thou wast meet to bear, alleluia,  
As He promised has aris'n, alleluia.  
Pour for us to God thy prayer, alleluia.

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.  
For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia.

Let us pray.

O God, who gave joy to the whole world  
through the resurrection of your Son our  
Lord Jesus Christ, grant we pray, that  
through his mother, the Virgin Mary, we may  
come to know the joys of everlasting life,  
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen



## This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
<b>Sunday</b> <i>EASTER SUNDAY</i>	09.30 <b>11.00</b>	Margaret <i>birthday</i> Parishioners
Mon 6th <i>EASTER MONDAY</i>	10.00	Colin Barker ✕ <i>sacristan d.2021 foundation</i>
Tues 7th <i>EASTER TUESDAY</i>	13.05	Anna Gahavova & Miroslav Lukac ✕
Wed 8th <i>EASTER WEDNESDAY</i>	13.05	Joe ✕
Thur 9th <i>EASTER THURSDAY</i>	13.05	Reg Blake ✕ <i>d.1982</i>
Fri 10th <i>EASTER FRIDAY</i>	13.05	Geoffrey Kirk ✕ <i>d.2020 foundation</i>
Sat 11th <i>EASTER SATURDAY</i>	10.30†	Jules Emmanuel Balandres <i>foundation</i>
<b>Next Sunday</b> <i>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER</i>	09.30 <b>11.00</b>	Thanksgiving Parishioners

**Next Week's Readings** Acts 2:42-47 1Peter 1:3-9 John 20:19-31

**Sacrament of Confession.** Tuesday - Friday 12.30-12.55 Saturday 10.00-10.25

† **Mass in the Ordinarate Use** of the Roman Rite

**Last week: £1,148.29** (cash £96.29 card £472.00 standing orders £580)

**Easter Flowers £201.95** (cash £56.95 card £145.00)

**Lent Appeal £4,148.00** (card £4,098.00)

*Thank you*

**Safeguarding.** The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Representatives: Pamela Gatti, Aminata Keita & Daniela Guzzardo. [www.preciousblood.org.uk/safeguarding](http://www.preciousblood.org.uk/safeguarding)

**Holy Father's Intention for April 2026: *For priests in crisis.*** Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer. .

**Live-streaming** is done regularly for the Solemn Mass. The earlier Mass on Sunday and weekdays are not live-streamed.

### For your prayers:

*In priestly formation:* Br Philip Gerlomes OP, Iwan Williams

*Peace:* In Ukraine, the Holy Land, Syria, the Middle East

*Those who are Sick:* Mary, Chi Chi, Anne Marie, Rita, Amaogechi, Kathie, Fr Alan, Luke

*Recently Departed:* David Brennand, Stephen O'Connor *deacon*

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