

**CLERGY**

Fr. Anthony Oleh, MSP — Parish Priest  
Fr. Ebuka Umekachikelu, MSP – Assistant Priest  
Rev. Robert Beresford — Deacon

The Parish office will not be staffed until further notice. The best way to contact us is by email.  
Fr Anthony is available in case of an emergency or a pressing enquiry on 020 8546 4633. For non-urgent enquiries please email [kingston@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:kingston@rcaos.org.uk)

**FEAST DAYS, MEMORIALS AND MASSES  
SUNDAY 26<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2020  
SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)  
DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

<b>Sunday 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Third Sunday of Easter</b>
	Arthur & Robin O'Connor RIP
	Pat Jones RIP
	Paddy McIlvenny RIP
	Continued Recovery & Wellbeing of Philip Cockle People of the Parish
<b>Monday 27<sup>th</sup></b>	Antonio Francisco RIP & Prayers for Francisco- Esteban Family
<b>Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup></b>	Angelo & Tina Piccirillo RIP
<b>Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Catherine of Siena, Patron of Europe, Feast</b> People of the Parish
<b>Thursday 30<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>St Pius V, Pope</b> People of the Parish
<b>Friday 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>St Joseph the Worker</b> <b>Day of prayer for God's blessing on human work</b> Thanksgiving for the Makala Family
<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>St Athanasius, Bishop, Memorial</b> People of the Parish
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Easter</b> <b>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</b> Wellbeing of Liam Calapini & Family Eugene Sutee RIP Thanksgiving to all the Priests, NHS Staff, Key Workers, Refuse Collectors, neighbours shopping for us, in our community, helping us daily. People of the Parish

St Agatha's Catholic Church and the Parish Office are Closed. Masses will continue to be celebrated each day WITHOUT A PUBLIC CONGREGATION, so you will still be able to book Mass Intentions. Please post any Mass Intention envelopes through the presbytery door, or email via the parish email address [kingston@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:kingston@rcaos.org.uk) Mass on Sunday will be celebrated at 12 noon.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**

Please pray for the sick and housebound of our Parish: Christina Ward, Clare Horgan, John Sewter, Keith Fraser, Trish Taylor, Ryan Morrison, Philip Cockle and Melba De Silva. *Please let the Parish Office know in writing if either you or your relatives want to be mentioned on our sick list.*

**ANNIVERSARIES**

*George Sargent, Gretta Conway, Charles Edwards, Annie Laing, Percy Wright, Deidre Broadhurst, Michael Geary, Juan Ortiz, Patrick Rice, Walter Rolls Pearce, Bernard Brennan, Patrick Walsh, Guiglielmo Dnorato, Angelina King, Patrick Edgecombe, William Rutter, Alexander Wilson, Christina Brennan, Claire Paterson, Mary Bruce, William Vivian, William Purton, Margaret Mary Garvey, Victor Derrington, Angela Miles, Henry Sweeny, Helen McGowan, Tina Piccirillo, Thomas Jude Horgan, Edward Statham Rimmer, Bridget Hickey, Teresa (Tess) White, Anne Rogerson, George Frederick Worley, Alice Power.*

**++ May they rest in Peace +++**

**LET US REMEMBER ALL WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY**

Let us remember those who have died, those whose anniversaries occur about this time and their families, with love and affection during this time of grief. May the Lord grant eternal rest to all who have died.

**CORONAVIRUS UPDATE...**

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The sacrament of reconciliation will be still be available but only on request, please contact Father by phone or email first.

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Our website will continue to be updated to help parishioners with their personal and family worship during this difficult time - please check on a regular basis.

**OFFERTORY CONTRIBUTIONS**

Some people have asked how they can continue to give their offerings to the parish. If you are able to, please either make an electronic transfer or set up a standing order to the Parish Bank account. (Forms are also available on the parish website).

**Our account details are as follows:**

**Please pay: National Westminster, Kingston Marketplace**

**For the credit of: St Agatha's Roman Catholic Church**

**Bank details: Account number: 10317821**

**Sort code: 60-60-02**

**Please ensure you make the reference (that will appear on our Bank Statement) "your name" followed by "offertory".**

**We thank you for your continued generosity .**

**Evangelisers thus take on the 'smell of the sheep' and the sheep are willing to hear their voice.**

**~ Evangelii Gaudium, para. 24**

**26 April (Nearest Sunday to the Feast of St Joseph the Worker / International Workers Day, 1 May)**

**PLEASE STAY SAFE AND KEEP WELL!**

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**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER, CYCLE A  
SUNDAY, APRIL 26, 2020**

**Gospel Reading**

*Luke 24:13-35 Jesus appears to two disciples who are walking to Emmaus.*

**Reflection**

On most Sundays during the Easter season in Cycle A, our Gospel is taken from the Gospel of John. This week's Gospel, however, is taken from the Gospel of Luke. As in last week's Gospel, today's Gospel shows us how the first community of disciples came to believe that Jesus had risen from the dead. In these stories we gain insight into how the community of the Church came to be formed.

When we read today's Gospel, we may be surprised to learn that these friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. Again we discover that the risen Jesus is not always easily recognized. Cleopas and the other disciple walk with a person whom they believe to be a stranger; only later do they discover that the stranger is Jesus. We learn that the first community met and recognized Jesus in the breaking of the bread, just as we meet Jesus in the Eucharist.

We can imagine the feelings of the two disciples in today's reading. They are leaving their community in Jerusalem. Their friend Jesus has been crucified. Their hope is gone. They are trying to make sense of what has occurred, so that they can put the experience behind them.

Jesus himself approaches the two men, but they take him for a stranger. Jesus asks them what they are discussing. He invites them to share their experience and interpretation of the events surrounding his crucifixion and death. When the two disciples have done so, Jesus offers his own interpretation of his crucifixion and resurrection, citing Jewish Scripture. In that encounter we find the model for our Liturgy of the Word—what we do each time we gather as a community for the Eucharist. We reflect upon our life experiences and interpret them in light of Scripture. We gather together to break open the Word of God.

In the next part of the story, we find a model for our Liturgy of the Eucharist. The disciples invite the stranger (Jesus) to stay with them. During the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst. Just as the disciples returned to Jerusalem to recount their experience to the other disciples, we too are sent from our Eucharistic gathering. Our experience of Jesus in the Eucharist compels us to share the story with others.

**Family Reflection**

Families, as the domestic church, have the opportunity to make the family meal a time of prayerful encounter with one another and with Jesus. At a family meal we share our experiences of the day and connect them with the experiences of others in the family. We can also enjoy the meal as an opportunity to reflect upon our family life in light of Scripture. At their best our family meals can connect us to Jesus too.

Choose a family meal this week to share one another's experiences of the week in a special way. Perhaps invite family members to plan and prepare the meal together. Begin the meal by reading today's Gospel, Luke 24:13-35. As you eat, talk together about how the disciples discussed their experiences in Jerusalem and how they came to understand them differently when Jesus interpreted those events in the light of Scripture. Then invite each family member to share the things that are going on in his or her life. Consider what Jesus might say to each person if he were sitting at your dinner table. Conclude with a special prayer after your dinner. Pray a prayer of blessing for each family member, asking that Jesus continue to be present in each person's life, helping each one to be a better follower of Jesus. Conclude with a Sign of Peace.

Sunday Connection, Loyola Press



**Let nothing disturb you**

**Let nothing frighten you**

**All things are passing**

**God never changes**

**Patience obtains all things**

**Whoever has God lacks nothing**

**God alone suffices.**

**~ Teresa of Avila**