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Second Sunday of Easter : 24th April 2022 (Year C)

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St Teresa's church is monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Saturday 23rd April	Vigil: 2nd Sunday	6pm ST TERESAS	George Parsons RIP
Sunday 24th April	2nd Sunday of Easter	8.30am (SSJFTM)	Josefina Espino RIP
		10am (St T)	Ollie Quinn RIP (Bday)
		Noon (St T)	McGrath Family Deceased members RIP
Monday 25th April	St Mark	9.15am (St T)	John Peake RIP
Tuesday 26th April	St George	9.15am (St T)	Michael Brady RIP
Wednesday 27th April	No Mass Today		
Thursday 28th April	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Frank Atkinson RIP
Friday 29th April	St Catherine of Siena	9.15am (St T)	Kathleen McHugh RIP
Saturday 30th April	Vigil: 3rd Sunday	6pm (SSJFTM)	Sean, Aggie & Tony Aherne RIP (Ann)
Confessions Saturday weekly - 11am-11.40am at St Teresa's & 5pm-5.40pm at SSJFTM			

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon:	Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, That in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.
Responsorial Psalm:	Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, For his love has no end.
Gospel Acclamation:	Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: "You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have seen and yet believe. Alleluia.
Next week's Readings:	Acts 5:27-32, 40-41, Psalm 29:2, 4-6, 11-13 Rv2, Apocalypse 5:11-14, John 21:1-19

Fr. John writes: That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious King, thy mercy show!" (Easter Sequence)
 This Sunday is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. During the 1930's, Sr Maria Faustina Kowolska, a nun living in the Congregation of the Sisters of Mercy in Poland received a series of visions or revelations from the Lord Jesus. Her Spiritual Director asked her to record these revelations in a diary.

One night Jesus appeared to her dressed in a white garment with rays of red and pale blue emanating from his Divine Heart. She records that she was asked to paint such an image of the Lord, with the words "Jesus, I trust in you" and that the image should first be venerated in her convent's Chapel and then throughout the world. By 1941, two years after her death, veneration of the image had spread from Poland to the United States and millions of Divine Mercy prayer cards had been distributed worldwide.

The message of Divine Mercy is that God loves us; loves each one of us. When we reach out to God in prayer, his mercy will always be greater than our sins. Jesus also wants us to extend the mercy and forgiveness we receive from him to others, so that waves of love and forgiveness flow from Jesus, through us, to the whole world. In 2000 Pope Saint John Paul II made Sr Faustina the first saint of the of the new millennium. On that day, which he described as the happiest day of his life, he established, in Sr Faustina's honour, the Sunday after Easter as a Divine Mercy feast for the whole Church. In 2002, in the suburbs of Warsaw, near to the burial place of Sr Faustina, the Pope consecrated the Shrine of the Divine Mercy and solemnly entrusted the whole world to Divine Mercy. He died on the vigil of Divine Mercy Sunday, 2005.

"Love endures everything, love is stronger than death, love fears nothing. Love is a mystery that transforms everything it touches into things beautiful and pleasing to God." (Sr Faustina's diary)

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,106

Last two weekend's Offertory

Envelopes £ 923.60

Loose Plate £ 1014.03

Contactless donations £ 699.50

Total for weekends 10th & 17th April £ 2,637.13 - Thank you for your Easter Offerings which helped increase this total



The new planned giving envelopes are in the sacristy of each church, we cannot leave them on display for GDPR reasons so please ask someone to retrieve your

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box. If you would like to donate by Standing Order, please pick up a standing order mandate & complete & return to the Parish Office. Also, a reminder as we are now in a new tax year, if your Tax status has changed in the last twelve months, and you need to advise us, please do so. If you are now in a position to Gift Aid going forward we can make it easy for you, just let us know!



Premises Updates: Thank you for your kind donations to the Building Contingency Fund, it really makes a difference as I'm sure you realise how much upkeep is needed in maintaining the church sites. Ever hopeful, we have left envelopes for the fund in both churches, if you are able, please do pick up an envelope and donate, if you Gift Aid your donation - even better! You can also give by bank transfer (40 05 20 91095714 WRC DT St Teresa). You can also contactless a donation, just let us know if you do, to make sure that we allocate it to the correct pot! We know that times are tough so if you can't help, please don't worry.



News from St Teresa's School:

St Teresa's School are in need of foundation governors to join their governing body to support the Senior

Leadership Team in driving forward the continuous improvement of our school. Can you help, or do you know anyone, extended family members or friends who could help us? Training and support is provided and you can learn useful skills to support career development. Please do share this with anyone you think could help our school in this way. Foundation governors are appointed by the Bishop and are required to be practising Catholics. Please contact the school office for further info admin@stteresas.herts.sch.uk 020 8953 3753



Confirmation: LAST CHANCE TO BUY TICKETS! Rich Man Poor Man meal in aid of Addo is next Saturday

30th April Tickets still available. Can't make it? Then why not sponsor the meal instead! All funds raised will be sent to the Sisters of Mercy in Addo where they will be used to provide uniforms for the local children. No uniform means no school, which means no meals. The two meals a day that the children receive at school are often the only food that they eat; with many arriving at school on Monday morning who haven't eaten since the Friday before. You can see why a uniform is so important. **Confirmation candidates, we look forward to seeing you all at the Friday Prep - 29th at the Hall at 6.30pm**



BAPTISMS: We welcome Terry who is being baptised this weekend.

Our baptisms take place on a Saturday afternoon, at either Noon, 1pm or 2pm, with a Rite of Welcome at your usual Mass the weekend before.

They are individual ceremonies. If you would like your child to be baptised, please complete the registration form over the website (under Sacraments) & Sue will get in touch once she receives it. You can have up to four Godparents - no more as we don't have space in the register! - one of whom must be a practising Catholic. We are not holding preparation courses for Baptisms at the moment but we will send you a link to a short video course.



Gardener needed. One of our parishioners is looking to hire someone to tend to her garden, grass cutting etc. around 2 hours a week every fortnight. If you are interested or know of someone who would be, please contact Sue at the office.

PEACE HOSPICE CARE SUPPORT HUB



Every two weeks : 10.30am : Your Community Hub
on Tuesdays : -11.30am : 5 Leeming Road,
: Borehamwood, WD6 4EB



For the past two Covid years, we have been holding our First Holy Communions in a different way - aside from a usual weekend Mass. This has proved to be very popular and so we are doing the same this year. These will take place at St Teresa's in slots during **the afternoons of 14th & 21st May.**

Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they begin their journey to be fully active members of our community. The services will all be Live Streamed in the usual way.



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We also provide large print copies.