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Today is Good Shepherd Sunday

Fourth Sunday of Easter : 8th May 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 7th May	Vigil: 4th Sunday	6pm (SSJFTM)	Kathleen Parsons RIP
Sunday 8th May	4th Sunday of Easter	8.30am (SSJFTM) 10am (St T) Noon (St T)	Sally O'Hagan (Int) Masie, Madeleine & Sebastian Njie RIP Andrzej Nowak RIP
Monday 9th May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Mary McKenna RIP (Bday)
Tuesday 10th May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Julian Brotherton (Int)
Wednesday 11th May	<i>No Mass Today</i>		
Thursday 12th May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Matthew Brotherton (Int)
Friday 13th May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Lilly Pinto RIP
Saturday 14th May	Vigil: 5th Sunday	6pm (SSJFTM)	Eda Bell RIP
Confessions Saturday weekly - 11am-11.40am at St Teresa's & 5pm-5.40pm at SSJFTM			

Liturgy of the Word

Entrance Antiphon: The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
 By the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.
Responsorial Psalm: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.
Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!
 I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
 I know my own sheep and my own know me.
 Alleluia.
Next week's Readings: Acts 14:21-27, Psalm 144:8-13, R cf v1, Apocalypse 21:1-5, John 13:31-35

Fr John writes: "Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them." (Acts 13:43)

In our first reading today Paul and Barnabas are continuing their missionary journey which has taken in Cyprus, Paphos and Perga. In Antioch they tell the Jews that they had the privilege of hearing the Gospel first but that they would turn now to the pagans. There must have been many a listener, whether Jew, Christian or pagan who will have found the sight of Paul so forcibly preaching about Jesus something of a puzzle. Within days of his conversion in Damascus, he was 'on mission' in the synagogues, astonishing his listeners who knew he was the same person who had been causing havoc for Christians and was in Damascus only for the purpose of taking them as prisoners.

When Paul got to Jerusalem and tried to join the disciples we are told they were all afraid of him, not believing him to be genuine. It was Barnabas who brought Paul to the apostles and vouched for him. Originally Joseph, a levite from Cyprus, he had committed himself to the early Christians' sharing of their possessions by selling a field he owned and putting the money raised at the apostles' disposal. The apostles called him Barnabas - "son of encouragement". After persecution, which included the martyrdom of Stephen, many Christians fled Jerusalem to places such as Cyprus and Antioch. The Church in Jerusalem sent Barnabas to work in Antioch and he sought out Paul, who was in Tarsus, to help him. They worked together there for a year teaching great numbers and it was at Antioch that believers were first called "Christians". (Acts 11) During their mission in Antioch there was a famine in Jerusalem and money was sent by these gentile converts, via Paul and Barnabas, to support their brothers and sisters - a tradition of helping poorer Christians which continues to this day.

Grant to us Lord that Spirit which filled the hearts of Paul and Barnabas that we too may proclaim your Gospel faithfully by word and deed. Amen.

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,106

Last two weekend's Offertory

Envelopes £ 521

Loose Plate £ 669.16

Contactless donations £ 592.75

Total for weekends 24th April & 1st May £ 1,782.91



The new planned giving envelopes are in the sacristy of each church, please ask someone to retrieve your box. If you would like to donate by Standing Order, please pick up a standing order mandate & complete & return to the Parish Office.

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For the past two Covid years, we have been holding our First Holy Communion 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.

Parish Sunday Lunches are back - the first one in over two years!! Keep the 12th June free - lists will be in the church shortly.



St Michaels Catholic Grammar school for girls, Barnet: Applications are now being accepted for girls currently in year 5 to sit the entrance tests for year 7 entry to St Michael's in September 2023. Applications can be made through the online system available on website <https://www.st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk/admissions/admissions-2023-24/> Parents should ensure that they read the Admissions Policy prior to making an application and provide the **original** Certificate of Catholic Practice signed by their Parish Priest by the closing date of 4pm on Tuesday 5 July 2022.



BAPTISMS: 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.



Priest Training Fund :Priest Training Fund

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 58 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 17 of whom are from our own Diocese, and two men are studying in Rome, also from our Diocese. Last year four men who studied at Allen Hall were ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your gift ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ's call to dedicate their lives to serve God's people. Please be as generous as you can. Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. If you do not have a donation envelope, plenty are still available at the back of the church. You can use the QR code to make your donation online or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you for your generosity.



Confirmation: Last week's Rich Man, Poor Man was a huge success! It was great to see the hall full of people again & the candidates were great, working hard to ensure that the night was a success. We still have a few funds to come in but overall **we made a profit of £2,500** to send to the project in Ad-do. This is a marvellous amount and will make a real difference to people's lives. Thanks to all who worked so hard behind the scenes, as well as the Candidates and to all who supported this great cause.



Missio APF Please bring your **Red Boxes** to the Sacristy for emptying. Your box will be ready for collection from the Sacristy the following Sunday.



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