

### SPRING CRAFT FAIR

Thank you to everyone who came to St Christopher's Craft Circle's Spring Craft Fair last Saturday. Special thanks to the children who helped and to Rhoda and Johanna for their wonderful support. The amount raised for Sutton Alzheimer's Society was a magnificent **£701.75**, which is a great tribute to all the time and work members of the Craft Group put into making such a beautiful range of goods.

### ALTAR SERVERS' RALLY 2019

The annual rally for Southwark Altar Servers is on May Day Bank Holiday Monday 6 May 2019 at The Friars, Aylesford Priory, Kent. All servers, families and friends are welcome. For further details please email: [john.bonnici@btopenworld.com](mailto:john.bonnici@btopenworld.com)

### THE PASSION OF JESUS AT TRAFALGAR SQUARE

A moving enactment of Christ's Passion will take place on 19 April (Good Friday) at both 12 noon and 3.15 pm in Trafalgar Square, courtesy of Wintershall: a charity which hosts and performs plays based on the life of Christ. The performances are free to watch but due the nature of the performance, particularly the crucifixion, parental guidance is advised. For further information visit: [www.wintershall.org.uk](http://www.wintershall.org.uk) For those that cannot make it in person, a live stream will be available on the website.

**EPSOM & DISTRICT ASSOCIATION** would like to thank everyone for the support they received over the years and to let them know that all residual monies was donated to three charities, The Princess Alice Hospice, HCPT and Air Ambulance in equal proportion.

### MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE ASSOCIATION (MND)

Colin de'Ath is a member of St Margaret's, Carshalton Beeches. In 1979 he was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease. As a founder member and volunteer of MND he felt he should do something to raise awareness and funds for future research. So, this month he is walking the last 100k of the Camino Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela and he has also entered the London Vitality 10k run on 27 May. If you wish to make a donation, and read Colin's story, please visit [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colin-de-ath](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colin-de-ath)

### APPLICATIONS FOR ADMISSION TO CATHOLIC PRIMARY & SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Parents of children of two years of age and older are reminded to collect a certificate after Sunday Mass, which will provide evidence of the record of attendance when they apply for a place at a Catholic school.

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## NEWSLETTER

7 April 2019

Fifth Sunday of Lent (C)

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| <b>Mon 8 Apr</b>  | Parish Office Closed  |
| <b>Fri 12 Apr</b> | <b>STATIONS OF THE CROSS</b> after 9.00am Mass<br><b>St Christopher's Craft Circle</b> 10.30am—12.30pm  |
| <b>Sun 14 Apr</b> | <b>PALM SUNDAY</b> 10.00am Mass: Children to assemble in the hall before Mass to process into church  |
| <b>Wed 17 Apr</b> | <b>St Christopher's Craft Circle</b> 7.00—9.00pm  |
| <b>Thu 18 Apr</b> | <b>MAUNDY THURSDAY</b><br>Church brassware cleaning in the hall 9.30am<br><b>Mass of the Lord's Supper</b> 8.00pm followed by Watching before the Blessed Sacrament until 10.00pm |
| <b>Fri 19 Apr</b> | <b>GOOD FRIDAY</b><br><b>Stations of the Cross for Children</b> 10.00am<br>Sacrament of Reconciliation 11.00—11.30am<br><b>Celebration of the Passion of the Lord</b> 3.00pm      |
| <b>Sat 15 Apr</b> | <b>EASTER VIGIL &amp; FIRST MASS OF EASTER</b> 7.30pm<br><i>followed by refreshments in the hall</i>  |
| <b>Sun 16 Apr</b> | <b>EASTER SUNDAY</b> Masses: 8.30am, 10.00am, 12.00pm   |
| <b>Weekly</b>     | <b>Wed</b> <b>Toddler Group</b> 9.45—11.15am (term time)  |
|                   | <b>Fri</b> <i>Coffee in the hall after 9.00am Mass</i>  |
|                   | <b>Sun</b> <b>10.00am Mass: Children's Liturgy</b><br><i>Refreshments in the hall after Mass</i>  |

<b>7 April 2019</b>		<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT (C)</b>	
Sat	6	1800	Michael, Mary & Patrick Mollahan RIP & Bridget, Hugh & Sean Kiernan RIP
Sun	7	0830	Benita Gregory & Family In Thanksgiving
		1000	People of the Parish
		1200	Clementine Nasser RIP (May Nadir)
Mon	8	1000	Fidelma Rafferty RIP (W & M Joyce)
Tue	9	0900	Wellbeing of Patrick Morrissey (Ayres & Malins Families)
Wed	10		<i>No Mass</i>
Thu	11	0900	Doreen Markwick RIP (Mary Ayres)
Fri	12	0900	Edward Megoran RIP (Jablonski Family)
		0930	STATIONS OF THE CROSS
		1230	FUNERAL MASS: Lionel Potter RIP
Sat	13	1030-1100) 1700-1730)	Sacrament of Reconciliation

<b>14 April 2019</b>		<b>PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD (C)</b>	
Sat	13	1800	Roz Dwyer's Intentions (E & I Louis)
Sun	14	0830	Edward Collins RIP Anniversary (Collins Family)
		1000	People of the Parish
		1200	Maria Teresa Taylor Smith RIP (Jo & Olivia Smith)

<b>LAST SUNDAY</b>		<b>The Passage</b>	
Attendance	547	Plate	<b>£ 719.72</b>
Plate	<b>£ 523.88</b>	Gift Aid	<b>£ 264.11</b>
Gift Aid	<b>£ 581.81</b>		<b>£ 983.83</b>
	<b>£1,105.69</b>		

*Thank you for your offerings and thank you for your generous response to last weekend's appeal on behalf of The Passage.*

#### **IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MEMBERS OF THE PARISH GIFT AID SCHEME**

The new boxes of Gift Aid envelopes are available for collection again this weekend. If you haven't done so already, please collect your box from the back of the church. Even if you contribute by standing order, please take your box of envelopes for use in second and special collections.

#### **CAFOD EMERGENCY CYCLONE IDAI APPEAL**

The new Director of CAFOD, Christine Allen, has written to thank parishes for their generous Family Fast Day donations and to ask for more help to address the humanitarian disaster that has unfolded in Africa as a result of Cyclone Idai. There will be an opportunity for parishioners to donate to this appeal on Palm Sunday, or they can donate online at [cafod.org.uk/cycloneidai](http://cafod.org.uk/cycloneidai) or by credit/debit card on 0808 58 588 85.

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

**Peter Barry**, whose Requiem Mass is on Monday 8 April at 11.30am at The Sacred Heart Church, Edge Hill, Wimbledon. Please remember his wife Pauline in your prayers at this time.

**Lionel Potter**, whose Requiem Mass will be celebrated here this Friday at 12.30pm. Please also remember his family in your prayers at this time.

#### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Gill Atkin, Oonagh Bulaitis, Michael Burke, Jim Carbery, Carmel Curtis, Marie Deans, Melba De Silva, Patrick Egan, Evelyn Frost, Hilda Gill, Bob Green, Sean Healy, John Hickey, Umberto Inostroza, Margaret Jones, Larry Keany, Patrick Kennedy, Indira Louis, Michael McKenna, Michael Moores, Ivan Pedropillai, Leslie Pinto, Stella Snell, Catherine Thompson, Maria Tobin, Denis Vaughan, Christopher Vaughan, Nickii Wright and one other parishioner.

#### **HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES CARDS**

Please take one of the cards giving details of the liturgies during Holy Week and Easter from the back of the church or the side porch.

**NEXT SUNDAY IS PALM SUNDAY** and palm crosses will be distributed and blessed at all Masses. Children attending the 10.00am Mass are invited to assemble in the hall 10 minutes before the start of Mass in order to process into the church.

#### **CHURCH BRASSWARE CLEANING**

If you can spare an hour or so to help clean the church brassware for Easter, please come along to the hall at 9.30am on **Maundy Thursday, 18 April**.

**YOUNG READERS** are invited to put their names forward to read at the 10.00am Mass with children's and young people's participation which is usually celebrated on the first Sunday of the month. Readers and other young children are also invited to participate in the Stations of the Cross for Children on Good Friday. Please email Mary Nash as soon as possible: [marynash1@virginmedia.com](mailto:marynash1@virginmedia.com)

#### **GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS**

Churches Together in Sutton & Cheam invite parishioners to take part in the Good Friday Walk of Witness. Assemble in front of ASDA in Sutton High Street from 9.45am, ready to leave at 10.00am sharp. The walk will proceed up the High Street, stopping briefly mid-way and finish just outside Waterstones (in the space now known as Trinity Square). All are then welcome to stay on for Hope Church Sutton's event in Trinity Square.