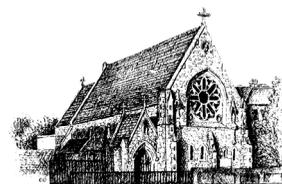




Easter Offerings

Fr Howard's salary is paid from the donations for Baptisms, Funerals, Weddings and Masses alongside the collections on Christmas and Easter day. The Sunday collection pays for the running of the parish. You can contribute to the Easter collection on the day, by using the envelope available from the table at the back of the Church or by using the Dona card machine or by donating online. You can also use the QR code. Please put Easter Offering in your reference. If you want to give a personal gift to Fr Howard, please put it in an envelope addressed to him.



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24TH APRIL 2022

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR C)

DIVINE MERCY

Parish Masses for the coming week:

| Date | Feast | Time | Intentions |
|-------------------------|--|---------|---------------------------------|
| Sat | Easter Saturday | 6pm | Ana Ezugwu (Birthday) |
| Sunday 24th April | 2nd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) | 9.30am | Personal Intentions |
| | | 11.30am | People of the Parish |
| | | 6pm | Robert & Rose Duhu (50th Ann) |
| Mon | St Mark | 10am | Holy Souls |
| Tues | ST GEORGE | 10am | Personal Intentions |
| Wed | | 10am | Holy Souls |
| Fri | ST CATHERINE OF SIENA | 12noon | Paul Cattigan (Intention) |
| Sat | St Pius V. Pope | 6pm | Patrick Green RIP |
| Sunday 1st May | 3rd Sunday of Easter | 9:30am | Bernadine Fernandes (Intention) |
| | | 11:30am | Personal Intentions |
| | | 6pm | People of the Parish |

Saturday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament 5.00-6.00pm

Confessions: Sat 5.00pm- 5.30pm or by appointment at other times.

Parish Secretary: Angela Braniff - Mon, Wed & Fri: 9.15am—3.15pm

Columban Sisters - Tel: 020 8980 3017

St Agnes School, Rainhill Way, E3 3ER Tel: 02089803076

email: office@st-agnes.towerhamlets.sch.uk

The Prayer of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023

We stand before You, Holy Spirit,
as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us,
make Yourself at home in our hearts;
Teach us the way we must go
and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful;
do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path
nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity
so that we may journey together to eternal life
and not stray from the way of truth
and what is right.

All this we ask of You,
who are at work in every place and time,
in the communion of the Father and the Son,
forever and ever. Amen

The Sanctuary Lamp is burning during the week of 24th April in honour of
Personal Intentions

Ukraine

We continue to pray for and support the people of Ukraine. We also pray for the people of Russia.

Covid Guidelines

Following the government's decision that there will be a change in the protocols, the Bishop's conference has sent a reassuring paper as to how we, as a Catholic Church Community, should proceed.

- * Masks should still be worn while in the church. We should still sanitise.
- * Use of Hymn Books and Missals can begin.
- * No need for formal social distancing but please be sensitive to the needs of others around you.
- * The Sign of Peace can be reinstated, if you feel it is appropriate to do so.
- * Clergy and Lay Ministers can distribute Holy Communion. Hands should be washed before and after the distribution of Holy Communion.
- * Congregational singing can be done. You may/ may not wear a mask. Please do whatever makes you comfortable.
- * Social activities can restart. Please adhere to the mask wearing and sanitising protocols.

In conclusion: The COVID 19 virus is still in circulation. We should still bear that in mind when we gather, taking personal responsibility for our safety and the well-being of those around us

Baptism

If you are interested in getting your child baptised please speak to Fr Howard to collect an application form. The next Baptism Course will commence on Tues 17th May at 6pm In the church.

First Holy Communion 2022

The new course has now started the next session will be on Mon 25th April 2022 at 6pm in the Church. This meeting will be for Parents & Children.

Confirmation 2022

Confirmation meeting will be on Wed 27th April at 6pm in the church.

Weddings

Anyone wishing to get married in a Catholic Church, either at St Catherine's or anywhere else should speak to Fr Howard to complete the necessary paperwork. A minimum of 6 months is needed.

RCIA

The next meeting will be on Tues 26th April at 7pm in St Catherine's Room.

Missio Red Box Appeal

Just a reminder that those of you who kindly donate towards the Red Box Appeal, envelopes will be going out soon to collect your donations, please look out for them at the back of the Church or speak to Elaine Commons (Missio Rep)

St Catherine of Siena Mass—Our Patron

On Friday 29th April will be celebrating a Mass on honour of St Catherine of Siena our Patron, refreshment's will in St Catherine's room after mass.

Easter Thank You

To everyone who attended the Easter services, for those who helped in the preparation of the various Liturgies, those who cleaned the church, those helped with readings, ushering and for your financial support of your Priest. I pray Gods Blessings for our Parish family as we journey together during this Easter time.

Congratulations to our RCIA Family

3 Members were Baptised & 5 were Confirmed during the Easter Vigil. I ask that you continue to pray for them.

Westminster Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes

The Rev'd Dennis F. P. Touw Tempelmans—Plat M.A. is organising the Annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 22nd—29th July 2022. If anyone wishes to join them at the Accueil Marie St Frai in Lourdes. They have 22 places available and this is the time of year when they are looking to offer them to our assisted pilgrims. Financial Assistance is available. If you are interested please let Fr Howard know as soon as possible.

Annual Mass of Thanksgiving for the Sacrament of Matrimony

Westminster Cathedral, Saturday 14th May 2022 at 3pm.

The Cardinal is inviting to this Mass all couples in the Diocese, who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) Wedding Anniversary of Catholic Marriage in 2022. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please give your parish clergy the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number, if no email).

Financial support

Thank you for your ongoing financial support. you can give online (Account Name: WRCDT Bow; Sort Code: 40-05-20; Account Number: 01308157).

Have you thought about a standing order? Do consider it as it would help us plan for future. It is simple

Mass intentions

Mass slots are booking up fast. Please book your special dates in advance to avoid disappointment. Suggested donation, £10

Sanctuary Lamp

The sanctuary lamp will be burning in memory of a faithful departed or as a prayer for the living for a week. Suggested donation, £10. Please speak to Fr Howard.

Planned Giving Envelopes

For those of you who usually donate using the Weekly Envelopes the new boxes are now available for collection from Fr Howard. Anyone else who would like to start using the weekly envelopes, please see Fr Howard

Broadcast of 11.30am Mass — Broadcast of the 11,30am Mass on YouTube. You can find us on our New YouTube page: <http://bit.ly/StCatherinesLiveMass>. And on Facebook www.facebook.com/StCatherineBow/

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The parish official Facebook page, www.facebook.com/StCatherineBow/ Do follow us

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

We will celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee on Sun 5th June after the 11:30am Mass, more details to follow.