



24 April 2022

Second Sunday of Easter (Year C)

The people were loud in their praise and the numbers of men and women who came to believe in the Lord increased steadily. (Acts 5:12-13)

Faith in Focus

Shalom

After the tumultuous events of Holy Week, Jesus' triumphant entry into Jerusalem and his subsequent trial and execution, where were the disciples? Not out on the streets preaching and teaching, not mounting a campaign to prove the innocence of the dead Jesus, but all huddled together in a rented room with the doors locked.

They were afraid. Perhaps they feared that the guards would come and look for them as they had done for their master. The gospel simply says the doors were locked "for fear of the Jews".

What Jesus says to them, when like a ghost he appears in the locked room, is "Shalom". They would have known this to be the usual greeting which people exchanged on meeting. Yet Jesus says to them a second time "Shalom".

Shalom doesn't simply mean "peace". It means that deep-down feeling of health, prosperity, security and freedom. It is a positive thing rather than just the absence of disquiet. Shalom is that unshakeable sensation that we are held in the palm of God's hand and nothing can ever separate us from him.

When we feel afraid or disquieted it's a comfort to know that even the disciples found it hard to be calm all the

time. When we begin to doubt the substance of our faith, when we become discouraged and think we're getting nowhere, Jesus has one simple word for us: "Shalom".



Faith in the risen Lord does not mean that everything becomes rosy, that we wander through life with no problems or concerns. You could argue that the more a person believes, the deeper the questions and doubts that arise. But what it does mean is that we are able to view the same realities from a different perspective, through a different lens. The fact that Jesus is risen from the dead means that we no longer face things alone. We no longer are held in the grip of anxiety and fear. Jesus rose not to abandon us but to be by our side. He is as present to us today as he was in that room with the disciples.

And, whatever our fears are, his presence offers us Shalom.

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Parish Office at Holy Name: Open Monday
to Friday from 9.00 am to 12.30 pm, and 1.30
pm to 5.00 pm.

Baptisms: By prior arrangement. Baptisms
take place on the 1st Saturday of the month at
11.00 am at St Philomena's, and 3rd Sunday
of the month at 11.00 am Mass at Holy Name.
Please see Father John at a weekend Mass.

Confessions: Holy Name on Saturday from
5.30 pm, Our Lady & St Philomena on
Wednesday from 6.30 pm or by request.

Funerals and Marriages: By arrangement.

Visits to sick and housebound: Please
contact the parish office.

Hospital Visits: If you wish to see a priest
please let the hospital staff know.

Mass Requests: Please complete the pre-
printed envelopes and place in with weekly
collection. Please also specify the reason for
the intention, i.e. recently deceased,
anniversary etc. For a particular day, please
request early.

Newsletter Notices: Please e-mail to
holyname@rcaol.org.uk or hand in to the
Parish Office by Thursday morning.

Repository: Open before and after Mass.



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to the Mass readings. If the QR
code does not work, download
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Readings at Mass

1st reading: Acts of the Apostles 5:12-16

2nd reading: Apocalypse 1:9-13,17-19

Gospel: John 20:19-31

Psalm Response: Give thanks to the Lord
for he is good, for his love has no end.

Thank you

Your offerings this week, including
Easter offerings total £1,067.87, for the
Holy Places £342.82 and Lenten Alms
£123.50.

SVP collection

There will be a retiring collection next
weekend to support the work of the SVP.
Envelopes are available in church. Thank
you for your support.

Apostles Creed

The Apostles Creed will be used at
Masses during Eastertide, to reflect its
baptismal nature.

Parish consultative group

The next meeting is Tuesday 26 April at
7.30 pm in the Russell Room at St
Philomena's. All welcome.

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A prayer for Ukraine

Loving God,

We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world.

Amen

The Golden Book of Remembrance - volunteers needed

For the past 50 years, generous donors have been giving to the cost of the Metropolitan Cathedral and asking for a remembrance at Mass for themselves, members of their families and their friends, by way of an inscription in the Golden Book.

Due to long term sickness, the Cathedral is looking for a volunteer to help with enquires and to process inscriptions in the Golden Book Office, which is situated in its own special chapel in the Cathedral for approximately one day a week.

If you enjoy dealing with members of the public, are organised, with a good sense of attention to detail, and have a few hours a week that you could put to good use this may be the volunteer role for you.

If you are interested in learning more, please contact Claire Hanlon, Executive Assistant to the Dean on 0151 709 9222 (extension 201) or email

c.hanlon@metcathedral.org.uk

Metropolitan Cathedral - Chorister recruitment

Do you know a child who would like to be a chorister at the Metropolitan Cathedral? The Cathedral is recruiting boy and girl choristers for Sept 2022 start.

Boys currently in year 2 & 3

Girls currently in year 5

All choristers are educated at Runnymede St Edward's Catholic Primary School (boys, years 3-6) and St Edward's College (boys & girls, years 7-10).

Meaning that a first-class Catholic chorister education is available at no cost. If you know of a Catholic family who might be interested in this opportunity, please feel free to share this information with them.

For more details of choristerships at the Cathedral scan the QR code or go to:

<https://www.liverpoolmetrocathedral.org.uk/music/joining-the-choirs/>



Planned giving to the parish

To set up a regular standing order for donations to the parish, please use the form at the end of the newsletter on the website, go to the 'Donations' page on the website, or call in at the parish office.

Numbers Galore

Numbers are 18 and 36. Rollover.

Word for today

The early Church grew through the witness of the apostles. Today God calls you and me to be witnesses to the power of the resurrection in our lives. It is through the quality of our relationships with each other that people will come to see that Jesus is risen and active in our world. Every one of us can share in making this a reality.

Day	Time	Church	Intention
Second Sunday			
Saturday 23rd	5.30 pm	<i>Holy Name</i>	<i>Confessions until 5.50 pm</i>
	6.00 pm	Holy Name	Billy Moran
Sunday 24th	9.30 am	St Philomena	People of our Parishes
	11.00 am	Holy Name	Maria Coburn
Monday 25th			No service
Tuesday 26th	10.00 am	Holy Name	Paul Cosgrove junior, birthday
	1.30 pm	HMP Altcourse	Joan Newton
Wednesday 27th	10.00 am	Holy Name	Billy Morgan, lately dead
	6.30 pm	<i>St Philomena</i>	<i>Confessions until 6.50 pm</i>
	7.00 pm	St Philomena	Mary Fury, RIP (Followed by Novena)
Thursday 28th	10.00 am	Holy Name	Irene M ^c Gowen, anniversary
Friday 29th	10.00 am	St Philomena	Sr Kathleen (60 th anniversary)
Third Sunday of Easter			
Saturday 30th	5.30 pm	<i>Holy Name</i>	<i>Confessions until 5.50 pm</i>
	6.00 pm	Holy Name	People of our Parishes
Sunday 1st	9.30 am	St Philomena	Francis O'Toole, RIP
	11.00 am	Holy Name	Thelma Dy
<p>We remember in our prayers those who have died recently: George Thomas Gray, Janette Margaret Bennett May they rest in peace</p>			
Covid19 guidance: Face coverings are recommended, unless exempt or a child under 11			
Mass is uploaded daily to https://tinyurl.com/yyto5d26			

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