

THIS WEEK:

**Monday— Sat: 10am Mass
Exposition and Confessions to
11am unless other service to
follow.**

**Monday Bank Holiday—no evening
Mass.**

SUNDAY OFFERTORY/TITHES

MARCH: £12,901. 96

Week average: £3225

Easter (Homeless): £4926.04

Thank you to all!

SOCIAL APOSTOLATE: In May, we ask you to pray for all the homeless and those in need. We also ask you to bring *unwanted rosaries* to the church (throughout May), which we will distribute to our guests of the Social Apostolate.

EASTER GARDEN:

We invite donations for flowers as well as flowering shrubs in pots for our Easter Garden for the 50 days of Easter. Orchids are particularly welcome.

**Recent deaths: Please pray for the
repose of the soul of Luigi Grech,
Roger Vamben, Ben D'Souza and
Jim Wallace, who died recently. RIP**

**Funeral: Friday 5th May 11.30am:
Roger Vamben. RIP**

READINGS: Acts 2:14,36-41; 1 Peter 2:20-25; John 10:1-10

NORMAL CHURCH TIMES

Saturday Evening 6.30^{pm} (Vigil);

Sunday Mass: 8, 9:30, 11

Polish (po polsku): 12.30^{pm}, 6:30^{pm}

Mass in Spanish: 4.30^{pm}

Monday—Saturday: 10am Mass

Evening Mass (not Monday) and

Friday at 6.30^{pm}

**Divine Mercy: every last Monday
after evening Mass**

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

in the church after 10am Mass each
weekday, after the 6.30pm Mass on
Friday, 6pm Saturdays, or *by
appointment at the Presbytery.*

Rosary: 11am each weekday.

PARISH STAFF & TEAM

Contact them on: 020 8800 2121

Parish Priest: Fr. Andrew Cameron-Mowat

SJ. Assistant Priests: Fr. John McCabe SJ,

Fr. Piotr Kropisz SJ

Resident Jesuits: Fr. Harry Elias SJ (JRS), Fr.

John Moffatt SJ (LJC), Fr. Jean Nyembo SJ

(Congo), Br. Stephen Power SJ (Admin),

Fr. Michael Smith SJ (JRS).

Music: Ann Bennett

Sunday Sacristan: Kevin De Souza

Parish Secretary: Judy Bronson.

Tel: 020 8800 2262 . M-Th 9am — 1pm

Catechetics: Aga Wiecek 020 8800 2202

*If you have any concerns about safety or
well-being of a child or vulnerable adult in the
parish, please contact our Safeguarding
Representatives: Attracta Asika 079 0544 5938
and Aga Wiecek, 077 3681 9943*



4th Easter Year A

30 April, 2023

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GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

World day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood
and the Religious Life

In this year's Message, the Holy Father emphasises that each human person is chosen by God, "created by love, for love, and with love, and made for love." Recalling his own call to the priesthood, Pope Francis explains that God's call "tends to make itself known gradually," and one that calls for a response on our part. "Vocation is 'the interplay between divine choice and human freedom' ... God calls us in love and we, in turn, respond to Him in love."

At the same time, the Pope continues, "God's call ... includes a 'sending'. There is no vocation without mission." Pope Francis once again highlighted that every baptised Christian is called "to bear joyful witness" to our experience of Jesus through spiritual and corporal works of mercy. In service to God and our fellow human beings, "we come to understand the heart of the Christian vocation: to imitate Jesus Christ, Who came to serve, not to be served."

The Holy Father then takes up the image of the disciples on the road to Emmaus after the death and resurrection of Christ, and reminds the faithful that our vocation is not a result of our own "abilities, plans, or projects," but stems from "a profound experience of Jesus." The Pope prayed that every man and woman "might feel called to arise and go in haste, with hearts on fire," like those disciples.

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Response to the Psalm Today: The Lord is my Shepherd, there is nothing I shall want.



**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION May:
For church movements and groups**

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

CHOIR: If your child can sing then please consider them joining our 9.30am Choir. The rehearsals are on Fridays after school. There are also vacancies for our 11am choir and for the Caribbean choir.



Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Saturday 3 June.

Please see the notice in the church entrance about the pilgrimage.

Coronation of King Charles III: Please take a prayer leaflet with you. There are prayers which will be used on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday of this week. Please pray for God's blessing on our new King and the royal family.

Retiring Collection today: For the training fund for the Westminster Diocesan Seminary, Allen Hall.

Thank you for your generosity.

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Finally, Pope Francis noted that God's call comes within the community of the Church. The Church, he said, "is an *Ecclesia*, the Greek word for *an assembly of persons called and convened*, in order to form the community of missionary disciples of Jesus Christ committed to sharing love among themselves and spreading that love to all others, so that God's kingdom may come."

All the members of the Church – lay women and men, consecrated religious, and ordained ministers – have a role to play in the mission of spreading the Gospel. "Only in relation with all the others," the Pope said, "does any particular vocation in the Church fully disclose its true nature and richness." In this light, he continued, "the Church is a vocational 'symphony,' with every vocation united yet distinct, in harmony and joined together in 'going forth' to radiate throughout the world the new life of the kingdom of God."

Concluding his Message, Pope Francis described vocation as "a gift and a task, a source of new life and true joy." And he invited the faithful to make their own the prayer composed by Pope St Paul VI for the first World Day of Prayer for Vocations: "O Jesus ... continue to draw to Yourself ardent and generous souls from among the young, in order to make them your followers and your ministers..."

"O Jesus, divine Shepherd of souls, you called the apostles and made them fishers of men. Continue to draw to yourself ardent and generous souls from among the young, in order to make them your followers and your ministers. Give them a share in your thirst for the redemption of all... Open before them the horizons of the entire world... By responding to your call, may they prolong your mission here on earth, build up your Mystical Body which is the Church, and be 'the salt of the earth' and 'the light of the world.'"

