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Parish Priest: Fr. Ghislain B. Mulumanzi.

SUNDAY MASSES: 9.00am, 10.30am (livestream) 12 Noon (Please note there is no evening mass on Easter Sunday) WEEKDAY MASSES: 10am CONFESSIONS: Please contact Fr Ghislain Baptisms: Speak to Fr Ghislain Marriages: Please speak to Fr Ghislain. Please note 6 months' notice is required.

### Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord - B

Vigil Mass First Reading: Genesis 1.1.26-31 Second Reading: Exodus 14 15-15.1 Third Reading: Romans 6: 3-11 Gospel: Mk 16 1-7

#### **Easter Sunday**

First Reading: Acts 10: 34.37-43 Second Reading: Colossians 3: 1-4 Gospel: John 20:1-9

### Easter message. The inevitable journey towards death leads to Easter

As we go through life we all experience little deaths. We get a foretaste of death when we live in bitterness, loneliness, sadness and despair. In times like these the world closes in on us and we seem to have one foot in the grave. We become increasingly conscious of our mortality and the inevitable journey toward death. Death constitutes a huge challenge to our faith. But we also experience little resurrections. When we know love, acceptance, and forgiveness, when we open our hearts to others and to life, then the world opens up and we emerge from the tomb. On this day we breathe the pure air of everlasting life. And we walk in radiant hope towards the Kingdom where there are no more shattered hopes or broken dreams, broken promises. To be a Christian is to be a person of hope, which is a deep trust in God. Good Friday, Day of darkness and death, comes to everyone. So does Holy Saturday, that day of emptiness and sorrow. On such day it is hard to believe. But Easter Sunday, day of life, will come as surely as the dawn. HAPPY EASTER EVERYONE.

#### **Bulletin**

If you have any information or mass intention to be shared on the bulletin Sunday, please hand it in before Friday of each week. You can also use the parish bulletin to advertise your business.

### <u>Gift Aid</u>

Gift Aid Envelopes for year 2021/22 are now available at the back of the church for collection. Envelope numbers have changed this year so please check the name and address on your box and ensure you have uplifted the correct envelopes.

#### Diocesan Novena to St Joseph

All parishes and diocesan groups are invited to take part in a Diocese-wide Novena to St Joseph through the last nine days in April, leading to the Feast of St Joseph the Worker on Saturday May 1st. The intention of the Novena is to seek St Joseph's protection in our present need, particularly for our families and young people. Various prayers are available. <u>https://yearofstjoseph.org/devotions/prayers/</u>.

#### April – SCIAF Collection for Lenten Appeal for South Sudan

By raising money for the Wee Box Appeal, you can help children with disabilities in South Sudan to access the education and support they need to build a bright future. Boxes can be returned to the church commencing 28 March 2021, and before the end of April.

#### 500Club

The 500 club resumes this weekend. Please consider joining the club and help fundraise for our church renovations.

# Sacraments for Children

The parish has scheduled the celebration of sacraments for children as follows:

- First Reconciliation: Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> April 2021 at 6pm
- First Communion: Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2021 at 11am and 1pm Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021 at 2pm.
- Confirmation: Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May & Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7pm

To enrol your child for these sacraments, parents are advised to download the application form on the parish website www.saint-monica.org.uk, contact Fr Ghislain or St Monica's Primary School.



I wish to thank everyone who has helped during the Easter Triduum & Easter Celebration especially the stewards, readers, the ladies that clean the church, the streaming team and Catriona Arbuckle for making the beautiful flowers.

Your contribution is much appreciated.



Community News

Fortnightly Garden Maintenance Call 07504281030 or 07512092903

Mass Schedule 5th to 22nd April		
Monday	10am	Holy Mass
Tuesday	10am	Holy Mass
Wednesday	10am	Holy Mass
Thursday	10am	Holy Mass
Friday	10am	Holy Mass
Saturday	10am	Holy Mass
	4pm &	Vigil Mass
	5.30pm	_
Sunday	10am	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter B
	12 Noon	(Divine Mercy)
	5pm	Holy Mass

## Please remember in your prayers

# Recently Dead: Agnes Cecelia Brennan

<u>Sick:</u> John Clenaghan, Jean Graham, James Carr, Linda Webb, James McLaughlin, Mrs Cecelia Greig, Ann & John McShane, Elizabeth McKenna, Mary Forsyth, Isabella Devine, Nicolas Hardy, Joan Violet Mitchell

**Months Mind**:, William, Margaret, Patrick, Agnes & Helen Dochety, Joseph, Elizabeth, James & Peter Silvestro, Alex & David Thain, Anna & Joseph Pearson, Jenny Wright, Margaret & Andrew McKinlay, Anna, Brian & Joseph Tierney, Agnes & William McAuley, Rab Bannen, John, Jim, Michael & Teresa McAlinden, John Catherine, John & Pat Rennie, Margaret Diamond, Helen Diamond, John Wallace, Margaret Deigan, John Deigan, Anne Marie Deigan, James Deigan, Mr & Mrs Peter Deigan & Brian, Mr & Mrs Deigan Snr & Jnr, Mr & Mrs Tommy Deigan, Mr & Mrs John Fagan, Mr & Mrs Andy Prost, Mr & Mrs Frank Grank & Marie, Mr Jack Gill, Lawrence, William & Mary Brankin, William, Ellen & Annie Brankin, Joseph, Agnes & Joe Mina, Patricia & Brian Sharkey Jnr, John McGrath, David Hayton, Kathleen Smith, Frank & Agnes Wilson, Elizabeth & Sadie Prunty Jimmy McLaughlin, Kathleen & Peter Dolan, Tilly & Marie Clarke, Mattie, Tommy & Thomas Collins

<u>Anniversaries:</u> James Prunty Catherine McAlinden, John Trower, John Diamond, Marion Henderson, Eddie Mina, Kevin McGrath, Bill Paul, Lawrence Molloy, May McLaughlin, Danny Watson, Snr, Danny Watson Jnr, Annie Duffy, John Slevin, Catherine Mooney, Joseph Tobin, Richard & Catherine Tobin

Easter Remembrance: Bernard, Lily, Liam, John & Brian Loney, James, Elizabeth & Sadie Prunty, James, Catherine, Joe, John & Robert Smith, Jean Robertson.