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**CHURCHES TOGETHER IN ENGLAND**

***Parish Newsletter***

***No: 14/2019 For Sunday 7th April***

***Fifth Sunday in Lent***

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SUNDAY MASS: 9.30 am and 11.00am. Also Saturday at 6.00 pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday at 9.00 am, other Weekdays at 10.00 am.  
No Mass on Thursday

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION: 10 am and 8 pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday: 10.30—11 am & 5.15—5.45 pm and at call.

VARIATIONS: Please see the Weekly Diary for any changes to the above times.

MARRIAGES: Six months' notice is ordinarily required

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**Father Patrick will be available for parishioner consultations after Mass on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays until 1.00pm, and then from 4.00 pm until 8.00 pm. It is not necessary to make an appointment to see him at these times. The parish office is open from 9.00 am until 1.00 pm and from 2.00 pm until 5.00 pm each Monday, Wednesday and Thurs.**



**LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFASTS** from 9am until  
9.50am, every Saturday in Lent ending on 13th April.

**LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE**, Monday 15th  
April at 7.30 pm.

**HELP WANTED—DISTRIBUTING EASTER CARDS** We have printed cards that describe the services at St Margaret's during the Easter period. Please take a look at the map on the noticeboard in the meeting area (marked with Area numbers) to see which roads need to be covered, preferably this week. If you can help with distribution, please pick up an envelope(s), (under table in main porch) with the corresponding map number.

**EASTER FLOWERS AND GARDEN.** As a lot of people were away last weekend, but would still like to contribute towards the Easter flowers and garden, there will another second collection this weekend (6th & 7th April) for donations.

**Please note, THE CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed for one week from 8th to 12th April.

**COLIN de'ATH writes.** I am a member of the Chair Moving Team and when St Margaret's was built in 1981, I laid the original carpet which is still in use in the Presbytery! In 1979 I was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease. As a founder member and volunteer of Motor Neurone Disease Association (MNDA), I felt I should do something to raise awareness and funds for future research. In April I will be walking the last 100k of the St James' Camino Way Pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostella in Spain. My brother Peter, a Catholic priest cycled the full journey many years ago and was my inspiration. I have also entered the London Vitality 10k run through the streets of London on May 27th, starting and finishing at Buckingham Palace. If you wish to make a donation, you can do so via the MNDA website set up for me. You can also visit this website to read "My Story". [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colin-de-ath](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/colin-de-ath)  
As I will be 80 years old in October, I can assure you this is definitely the last occasion I will ever ask you for a contribution!

**NEW PILGRIM PATH** ([www.newpilgrimpath.ie](http://www.newpilgrimpath.ie)) is inspired by Pope Francis's enthusiasm for the internet. He urges Christian to "walk the streets of the digital highways in order to dialogue with people today and to help them encounter Christ". Each week they feature a website which may be of interest to fellow Christians.

"There are certain threshold moments when we sense something of the destiny to which we are called. Such moments unsettle us. We long to hear the *cantus firmus* (the enduring melody) sound louder in our souls, for that vague horizon of our ultimate vocation to become clearer in our hearts." Daniel O'Leary, renowned priest, author and teacher, an inspiration to countless people, died this January, but his inspiring weekly reflection can still be accessed via the New Pilgrim Path website.

**THE CHRISM MASS** is one of the most solemn and important liturgies of the liturgical year, which used to be celebrated in every diocese on Maundy Thursday, but which, for pastoral reasons, has now been moved to earlier in Holy Week. At the Chrism Mass three separate urns of oil are offered by the faithful and presented to the bishop for the blessing—the Oil of the Catechumens, the Oil of the Sick, and finally the Oil for the Holy Chrism.

The Chrism Mass also celebrates the institution of the Catholic Priesthood, the fraternal and collegial bond of all the priests together with the bishops; the religious and the lay renew their commitments to serve the Lord together with their bishops.

After the Mass, the Oils are distributed to the priests for use within the year for the Sacraments of Baptism, Anointing of the Sick and for Confirmation, where there is need.

**CHRISM MASS** at St George's Cathedral will be celebrated on Wednesday 17th April at 11.30am. All are welcome.

**HOLY WEEK** posters printed by the Knights of St Columba, are available in the porch. Please take one (per household) and display it in your window.

**Diary for the Week STARTING 7th April 2019  
Fifth Sunday in Lent**

SUNDAY	6.00 pm 9.30 am 11.00 am	Saturday (Vigil) Mass Family Mass Holy Mass
MONDAY	9.00 am 10.00 am	Morning Prayer & Adoration Holy Mass
TUESDAY	9.00 am	Holy Mass
WEDNESDAY	10.00 am	Holy Mass
THURSDAY	9.00 am	Holy Mass
FRIDAY	10.00 am 10.00 am to 7 pm 7.15 pm	Holy Mass Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament Stations of the Cross
SATURDAY	10.00 am 6.00 pm	Holy Mass First Mass of Sunday

**NO** First Communion meetings, Mums & Toddlers, Youth Group Music Practice and Folk Group Rehearsal during the Easter Holidays.

However, the **Inter-church Lent study groups**, including those that use the church as their base, will meet for their last sessions on the appointed day, from 8th April to 12th April inclusive.

This weekend's (**6th and 7th April**) second collection will be for **Easter Flowers and the Easter Garden**. This qualifies for **Gift Aid**, so please use a spare envelope and mark it 'Easter Flowers'

**HOME GROUPS** The **Renewal Home Group, Bible Study Group** and **intercessory Prayer Group** will reconvene after Easter. Dates and times will be published in the newsletter and website once confirmed.

**ST MARY'S JUNIOR SCHOOL** are launching a St Mary's Alumni Event on Tuesday 7th May 2019, from 6pm to 8pm. The evening will begin with a tour of the school by current students followed by the Headteacher's welcome at 7pm. This is an opportunity for past pupils (over 18's) to reminisce and to reconnect with former classmates. Please contact knicol3@suttonmail.org to confirm your attendance.

**THE REPOSITORY** will be open this weekend after all the Masses. First Communion and Confirmation gifts are now available.

**GIFT AID ENVELOPES** If there are any Gift Aid Donors who have not yet received their new supply of envelopes, could they please get in touch with Marian Thurley via the Parish Office.

**YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR:** Connie Harrington, (Lynn Pougher's mother), Angel Bridi, John Ryan (Richard Thomson's brother-in-law), Steven Conroy, Anne Pelham & Paul Field (Father Kevin's sister-in-law & Nephew), Mike Nolan, Laura Bannon (Mia's Mother), Stephen Martin, Joe Ryan, Juliana Amaral, Nina Greenoak & Lauren Horwood (Juliana's granddaughters), Jackie Sweeney & Ray Sweeney (Ita Haines' sister-in-law's sister-in-law & son-in-law), Liz Beddoe (Lynn Pougher's sister-in-law), Nora Chapman, Margaret Fox and Angela Kelly

**LATELY DEAD:** Victor Gnanadarajah (Grace Singarajah's brother), Joseph Musa (Nigerian humanitarian and Alison Ajayi's friend)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Bishop Charles Henderson, Canon Garry Pierce, Sister Ita Cronin, Nigel Monaghan, Revd Leigh Edwards (Vicar of All Saints, Carshalton), Babs Jackson (Christopher's mother), Roman Mirsaldi, Mary Neal (Marian Thurley's mother), John Arthur (Mary Howard's father), Alec Lenaerts (Stephen's father), Christine Eillis, Charles Mitchell (Mrs Osbaldeston's father), David Mills (Mary Marshall's uncle), Amanda Webb (Maria Felicetti's friend), Robert Statter, Julie Barrett, Margaret Murphy, Jean Moret, Mary O'Donnell, Winifred Walsh and Susie Loy.

**LAST SUNDAY:** The attendance last Sunday was 258 and the Offertory came to £440.06 shared between £ 239.33 in loose money and £200.73 in Gift Aid envelopes. You also gave, two weeks ago, a very generous amount of £773.92 to Mary's Meals. There was also a late donation to CAFOD for Family Fast Day which came to £10. Many thanks.

### **SAINT MARGARET'S ALMANAC**

6th April 2019	FIFTH LENTEN PRAYER BREAKFAST
14th April 2019	PALM SUNDAY
15th April 2019	LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE at 7.30 PM
16th April 2019	FILM "MARY MAGDALENE" AT RUSKIN HALL, RUSKIN RD
17th April 2019	CHRISM MASS AT ST GEORGE'S CATHEDRAL at 11.30 am
19th April 2019	GOOD FRIDAY WALK OF WITNESS
21st April 2019	EASTER SUNDAY
29th April 2019	FIRST COMMUNION PREPARATION # 7
1st May 2019	CONFIRMATION CLASS - Session 1 (7pm to 8.15pm)
27th May 2019	PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD
9th June 2019	PENTECOST
15th June 2019	FIRST RECONCILIATION SERVICE (FIRST COMMUNION CANDIDATES)
16th June 2019	FIRST COMMUNION # 1
23rd June 2019	FIRST COMMUNION # 2
6th July 2019	CONFIRMATION REHEARSAL (CANDIDATES, PARENTS & SPONSORS)
7th July 2019	FIRST COMMUNION THANKSGIVING MASS
13th July 2019	CONFIRMATION