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OUR PARISH IN FOCUS DURING THE CORONAVIRUS RESTRICTIONS

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE RESTRICTED NUMBERS TO
MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING.**

**PLEASE FOLLOW ALL THE SAFETY REQUIREMENTS AND
UNLESS EXEMPT PLEASE WEAR A FACE COVERING.**

SUNDAY MASSES

8.30am, 10am and 11.30am.

**PLEASE NOTE THAT THERE IS STILL NO SUNDAY
OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS.**

WEEKDAY MASSES

10am.

STREAMED MASSES FOR THOSE AT HOME

**The 10am Mass everyday is streamed on our
YouTube channel.**

(Type in St Saviour's Church Lewisham).

CONFESSIONS

Every Saturday from 11am until 11.30am, or when asked.

EXPOSITION

Every Saturday from 11am until 1pm for private prayer.

THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER

Every day from 11am until 1pm. (This may have to change on a particular day due to a Funeral or other Service. Sunday morning has the celebration of three Masses).

REPOSITORY

Closed during the current restrictions.

THANK YOU

for last week's offertory collection of £878.

4TH APRIL 2021 EASTER SUNDAY

First Reading:- Acts 10:34,37-43

Responsorial Psalm:- 117 (118)

Second Reading:- Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel:- John 20:1-9

GOOD NEWS FROM TODAY'S READINGS

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things.

THANK YOU TO OUR STEWARDS AND CLEANERS

On behalf of all parishioners we extend our warmest thanks to our teams of stewards and cleaners, who have been so vital in us being able to open the church for Mass and private prayer during these difficult times.

EASTER ENVELOPES AVAILABLE

The Easter Envelopes available today are used for the collection at Masses for Easter Day, which is the traditional 'Thank You' collection by parishioners to the priests of their parish for their work and service. Priests here receive no salary whatsoever for their work and depend on the generosity of parishioners for their personal income.

EASTER OFFERINGS TO PRIESTS BY GIFT AID DONORS

PLEASE NOTE: As there have been no Gift Aid Envelopes handed out this year because of restrictions, the **ONLY** envelopes available this year for your kind Easter donations for the Priests are the **WHITE** Easter Donation envelopes mentioned above. If you are an **EXISTING** member of the Gift Aid scheme, please be aware that your donations given through these envelopes **can also be GIFT AIDED PROVIDED YOUR GIFT AID NUMBER IS CLEARLY WRITTEN ON THE FRONT OF THE ENVELOPE.** Our Gift Aid Administrators kindly request all Gift Aid donors to please do this if you are donating through these envelopes, as it will enable them to claim the extra 25% (at no extra cost to you) Gift Aid refund to the parish, which will help our Parish greatly especially in these difficult circumstances which has disrupted the past year.

If you are a Standing Order donor, you can also donate your extra offerings to the Priests should you wish to do so, through these same envelopes. **Please be assured that all your Easter donations through these envelopes will go directly to the Priests.** Our Parish Gift Aid Administrators strongly encourage you to use these envelopes for your Easter offerings to our Priests, please.

Thank you from our Gift Aid Administrators.

INVITATION TO APPLY FOR THE CONFIRMATION PROGRAMME

Parents and Guardians of young people who are in Secondary School Year 9 or above and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, are invited to register their interest.

Please email lewishamconfirmation@rcaos.org.uk with your name and your child's name to receive more information about the programme and to register. The deadline for applying is **Monday 19th April 2021.**

SPIRITUAL THOUGHT FROM FR CHRIS

One of the saints remembered by the Church tomorrow, 5th April, is St Crescentia Hoss. She was born in 1682 in Kaufbeuren, Germany, the sixth of eight children. St Crescentia had a very beautiful voice and many non-Catholics would attend Mass just to hear her singing. St Crescentia longed to join the local Franciscan Convent, but her poor family could not afford to send her there. The convent was poor itself and needed funds in order to sustain itself. It is said that the local Mayor sorted out some funds for them on the condition that they accepted St Crescentia into their community.

St Crescentia eventually became the superior of the convent and both Catholics and Non-Catholics sought her spiritual advice and counsel. Those who could not visit would write letters to her and in just a few months she had received over 800 letters. She answered them all, advising the writers on matters of faith and in answer to their problems. One writer said that they were so busy with work that they had no time to pray. St Crescentia replied by telling him to offer his work itself to God as prayer.

By 1741, St Crescentia's health began to fail, even suffering paralysis. She died on 5th April, Easter Sunday, 1744. The process for her canonization as a saint began in 1775, but over the years political and other upheavals meant that the process was put on hold. Eventually Crescentia was canonized a saint in 2001 by Pope St John Paul II.

St Crescentia promoted a total acceptance of God's Will. She once wrote to a friend: *'We must allow God to fulfil His holy will in us. Through Him everything becomes good and right.'*
St Crescentia Hoss, pray for us.

SCHOOL EASTER MASS

Last Tuesday afternoon, we celebrated a streamed Easter Mass for the children and staff of our St Saviour's School. It is always a joy to celebrate Mass for our children, even when they are not able to gather in church and it has to be done over the internet.

We congratulate our school community on all they have achieved over the past term in very challenging circumstances. We hope all our children and staff have a restful holiday and we wish everyone a Happy Easter.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS IN VARIOUS LANGUAGES

We remind you that on our parish YouTube channel we have kept our Stations of the Cross in English, Polish, French, Tamil and Spanish available for you to join in with at anytime.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY NEXT WEEK

Next Sunday is Divine Mercy Sunday. For those who attend our 11.30am Mass next Sunday there will be an invitation to stay for our Divine Mercy Service from about 12.15pm until 1.15pm. This Service will also be streamed on our You Tube channel. If you wish to join the Service in the afternoon then you can view it at the appropriate time on YouTube.

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY

Next Sunday there will be a second collection for the maintenance of our St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

PARISH CONGRESS GROUP - ANT TOWEY LENTEN TALK - FEEDBACK

Dear All,

We had the pleasure of inviting Professor Ant Towe to give a talk on St Joseph. This was a wonderful informative and interactive presentation which was thoroughly enjoyed by everyone and very timely in our spiritual preparation for Lent. We would like to thank all those who were able to attend this memorable event on zoom and to Ant for such a stimulating presentation leaving us spiritually fulfilled. The slides and recording will eventually be placed on our Parish website also.

Our next meeting (last Wednesday of each month) will be on 28th April at 7.30pm and further details of our activities and talks will be given through the newsletter, website and future announcements.

We also thank you for your continued prayers and support and would like to wish all our members of our Parish a very joyous, peaceful and holy celebration of Easter.
Best wishes and God Bless.

Christine, Don and Revd Javier

THANK YOU TO ALL THOSE WHO HAVE HELPED IN ST SAVIOUR'S

Lent, Holy Week and Easter is a very busy time in any parish. We are blessed here at St Saviour's to have many wonderful parishioners who kindly give of their time and talents to make this time of the year so special. During this time of covid restrictions we thank especially the stewards, cleaners, helpers in the church, sacristy and parish, musicians and cantors. In very difficult and different circumstances this year you have all done a fantastic job.

THANK YOU FROM OUR CLERGY

Our clergy wish to say thank you to all those who have kindly given them Easter cards and gifts. These are very much appreciated. Please accept this as their personal thanks to you.

MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK AND THE FEASTDAYS

SUNDAY 4th April (Easter Sunday)

8.30am - Patrick & Ann Driscoll RIP
10am - Seamus Gorman RIP (8th Anniversary)
11.30am - George Bernard & Thomas Ship

MONDAY 5th April (Easter Octave)

10am - Barry O'Halorhan RIP

TUESDAY 6th April (Easter Octave)

10am - Emily Fernandes RIP (17th Anniversary)

WEDNESDAY 7th April (Easter Octave)

10am - David Edward RIP (Anniversary)

THURSDAY 8th April (Easter Octave)

10am - Anne Rochford RIP (Anniversary)

FRIDAY 9th April (Easter Octave)

10am - Ranjan Soosaipillai RIP & Raj Soosaipillai RIP

SATURDAY 10th April (Easter Octave)

10am - Margaret Samuel RIP (Months Mind)

SUNDAY 11th April (Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy)

8.30am - Una White RIP & John White RIP
10am - Asere A M Jude (Well Being)
11.30am - The People of our Parish

Frs Chris, Olive, David, Krzysztof and Revds Javier, Mathew and Carlos wish you a very Happy and Holy celebration of Easter.