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**Mass Times and Intentions St F - St Francis; OLOL - Our Lady of Lourdes**

**EASTER SUNDAY THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD - Year B**

Date	Time	Place	Feast of the Day	Mass Intention
Sat Apr 3	12:pm 8:00 pm	St F	<b>Blessing of the Bread Easter Vigil</b>	
Sun Apr 4	9:00 am	OLOL		The People of the Parish
	11:00 am	St F		Kaim Family Marcel's 3rd Birthday
Mon Apr 5				
Tues Apr 6				
Wed Apr 7				
Thurs Apr 8				
Fri Apr 9				
<b>SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER- Year B</b>				
Sat Apr 10	6:00 pm	St F		Bernard Kilkenny RIP
Sun Apr 11	9:00 am	OLOL		Winifred Gare RIP
	11:00 am	St F		Malcom Cantwell RIP

*We have the following guidance from Pope Francis and from our Catholic Bishops* The development of a vaccine against COVID-19 presents an important breakthrough in protecting others as well as oneself from the virus; a virus which has not only caused a global pandemic and led to a huge loss of life but has also placed a great burden on healthcare workers and systems and also on our economic wellbeing. Each of us has a duty to protect others from infection with its danger of serious illness, and for some, death. A vaccine is the most effective way to achieve this unless one decides to self-isolate.

We now blessed in having vaccines that are safe, effective, and universally available, especially to the poor of the world.

Catholics may in good conscience receive any of these vaccines **for the good of others and themselves.**

Please keep safe and God Bless Fr Zbigniew

**Please help us to continue God's work by supporting us financially**  
 Lloyds Bank 30 93 04 a/c number 00882993  
 PRCDTR Newbury St Francis de Sales  
 Ref: St Francis de Sales/Your name

**Pope's Intention April 2021**

**Fundamental Rights**

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis

John 20: 1-9

Each one of our four canonical gospels ends with stories of the discovery of the empty tomb and accounts of appearances of the risen Jesus. Throughout the first week of the Easter period the gospel at Mass is taken from this material. Today we read John's account of the discovery of the empty tomb. The account gives a prominent role to Mary Magdalene, who becomes known by Christians as 'the apostle to the apostles'. It is she who discovers the empty tomb and passes on the news. Why is it empty? She will know why when Jesus appears to her later in the chapter.

The disciple whom Jesus loves, thought to be the author of the account, is convinced of the resurrection without even seeing the risen Jesus. It is sufficient for him to see that the body of Jesus no longer lies in the tomb. The later appearance of Jesus to the eleven disciples will confirm what he already knows.

Christian faith proclaims: 'Christ has died! Christ is risen! Christ will come again!' Without the resurrection, the real rising of Jesus to new life in a transformed and glorified body, there would be no good news to proclaim. The God of love is more powerful than death and sin, and God has shown this in raising Jesus, who became a victim of sin, to the life of the resurrection. The world is in dire need of news that is true, amid so many messages which are false, undermining and deceptive. True hope lies in the God who raised Jesus from the dead Fr Adrian Graffy

#### **An Act of Spiritual Communion:**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

*Our Journey in our Catholic Faith.*

*The next meeting will be by Zoom on Thursday 8th April at 7.30* For further details to join please contact <[fjcon@btinternet.com](mailto:fjcon@btinternet.com)> or 01635 40968

**If you would like to be included in the Parish Sick List, please contact the Parish Office. Please pray for Courtney Andrews, Ann Bowyer, Lily Brooke, Bronek (father of Anna Brooks), Christopher & Robert Brown, Tim Burke-Gaffney, Lucy Curtis, Mary Dykes, Emma, Joe Emery, Maria Hall, Sam Hearn, June & Jo Howard, Victoria Kilkenny, Evelyn Lavers, Noreen McCann, Deidre McNair Wilson, Shomila Malik, Joseph Marletta, Marie O'Sullivan, Daryl Pike, Mary Russell, Elizabeth Sage & Linda Verner, David Kennedy who ask for our prayers. Please let the Parish Office know of any changes.**

**Parish Administrator: Yvonne Eaton  
The Parish Office is open on Tuesday, Thursday and Friday from 10am to 4pm**

A prayer for evangelisation in our parish

Most high and glorious God,  
Give light to the darkness of our hearts,  
Give right faith, certain hope and perfect charity to our evangelisation.  
Lord, give us insight and wisdom,  
That we might always discern your holy and true will for our parish, our pastoral area, your faithful and your lost sheep,  
through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

#### **HELPING HANDS**

We have a small group of people who will pray each day for the needs of our parish.  
We can really make a difference by turning to God with all of our hopes, joys and sufferings, encouraging each other by our prayers, knowing that others are standing with us.

#### **HELP**

So far we have these requests sent in.  
A family situation; A sick child: For employment: In thanksgiving; For mental health and well-being.  
All requests are anonymous.

If you would like to join us, just send your email to the parish office entitled HELPING HANDS.  
If you have a request send it to the parish office entitled HELP.

**TO OUR CATHOLIC UNIVERSE AND CATHOLIC TIMES READERS IN THE PARISH:- at the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to [www.thecatholicuniverse.com](http://www.thecatholicuniverse.com) or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange for you.**

During Lent the Confirmation group are raising money for the CAFOD water appeal. They will be walking 10000 steps during Lent. We encourage you to donate money on the just giving page to help those who walk 10 hours a day to collect water for their families. You can also take part yourself in the 'Walk for Water'. Cafod have produced a video about the appeal which you can see on the parish website or alternatively visit the Cafod website: <https://cafod.org.uk/>

The link to our Just Giving page is below.

<https://walk.cafod.org.uk/fundraising/woolhampton-and-st-francis-de-sales-confirmat>

Thank you all for your support.

Sunday Mass is streamed live via our website, at <http://www.stfrancisdesales.org.uk/mass-live> and starts at 11am each Sunday.

CAFOD Lent Appeal. Abdella lives in an extremely remote and mountainous part of Ethiopia. It takes him ten hours a day to collect water. He says his life is being wasted as he has no time for anything else. Give today to reach vulnerable communities around the world with water and to provide other vital support. Donate online at [cafod.org.uk/lent](http://cafod.org.uk/lent) or phone 0303 303 3030 or by using a CAFOD envelope. You can also give via text. Text LENT 5 to 70460 to donate £5 or Text LENT 10 to 70460 to donate £10\* or LENT 20 to 70460 to donate £20. Many thanks for your support.

\*Texts cost £10 plus one standard rate message you'll be opting in to hear more about CAFOD's work and fundraising via telephone and SMS. If you'd like to give £10 but do not wish to receive marketing communications, text LENTNOINFO to 70460.

## Cafod Events

[Register](#) to join us.

### [Stations of the Cross](#)

Every Friday throughout Lent, 11am

This Lent, we will walk through the Stations of the Cross online in a prayerful journey of transformation in solidarity with people living in poverty around the world.

Join us as we meditate on Christ's journey to the cross, following themes of justice, poverty, mercy, friendship and hope.

[Register](#) to the series.

Missed one of our online events?

Recordings are available of past online meetings, including an inspirational talk from Maria, our Head of International Development, just visit [www.cafod.org.uk/onlinetalks](http://www.cafod.org.uk/onlinetalks) and click 'Watch recordings'.

**If you are at all concerned that you might have developed COVID-19 after visiting the Church, please contact the relevant NHS authority and let the Parish Office know ASAP**

**SAFEGUARDING:** If you have any safeguarding concerns re a child or vulnerable adult please contact Maureen Hudd, Parish Safeguarding Representative on 07880 730691.