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Third Sunday of Easter - 1st May 2022

Lord Jesus, explain the Scriptures to us. Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

Lk 24:32

Rest in Peace

- Please pray for the repose of the soul of Paul Phillips who died last weekend. He was a longstanding member of the parish who served on the altar, worked behind the scenes keeping the church clean and always had a kind word for a newcomer. No news of his funeral yet.
- Please also pray for the soul of Lady Anne Eyston who died on Saturday 23rd April, the same date as Jack.
- Your prayers are also requested for the repose of the soul of Mark Swallow who died suddenly.

TUESDAY TEAS

The Cenacle is now open for a cup of tea/coffee every Tuesday at 9.30am even when there is no Mass. Call in for a chat, bring a friend.

Birmingham Archdiocese are encouraging us to take urgent steps to live more Simply, Sustainably and in Solidarity. As part of these efforts, they are aiming to help every parish in the Archdiocese to register for the CAFOD Live Simply Award. They are asking if we can form a planning group for the parish who would aim to register for the Award, help complete the Parish Action Plan and then ensure that the plan is completed. If you are interested in being part of this group please contact Pam Beyts: pam@sensorydimensions.com ; 07786627364

PARISH INCOME

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| Banked 14-04-22 | £ 483.79 |
| Mar Contactless Sun. offering: | £ 430.00 |
| Mar Building Fund: | £ 50.00 |
| Standing Orders: | £ 2935.00 |

EL CAMINO WALK

The time has come for Margaret's 100 kilometre El Camino walk to Santiago de Compostela. She leaves on Wednesday 4th May. If you would like to sponsor her raising funds for Thames Hospice, that would be wonderful. Please click on her just giving page.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/margaret-thomas9>

However what she needs even more are your prayers . Margaret sends huge thanks for the support so far.

HEAD TEACHER JOB VACANCY

The governors, staff and children of the Federation wish to appoint a new highly motivated Headteacher at St Martin's Catholic Primary School who will inspire and nurture our children with a broad and creative curriculum.

Application form contact the School Office on 01189 375544 or by email to admin@stmartins.reading.sch.uk

Application packs are also available from our school website www.stmartinscaversham.co.uk

Visits to the school are warmly welcomed. To apply, please complete the application form and return to bursar@stmartins.reading.sch.uk

Closing date: 9am, Monday 9 May 2022.

Shortlisting date: Tuesday 10 May 2022.

Interview day: Thursday 19 May 2022.

Details available from school office.

If anyone wishes to speak to Lucy Ring (a parishioner here at Our Lady) with any questions, please email CoG@stmartins.reading.sch.uk.

Chair of Governors for the Federation of St Anne's & St Martin's Catholic Primary Schools.



OUR LADY'S LAMP
This is lit this week for:
Anne Corrigan

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<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/privacy-policy> or by request from the parish office.

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Background on the Gospel Reading

Last week we heard that Jesus appeared to the gathered disciples in a locked room, probably in Jerusalem. In today's Gospel, the disciples are no longer in Jerusalem; they are in Galilee, returning to their work of fishing. Simon Peter is still presented in the role of leader: when he announces that he is going fishing, the other disciples follow. They spend the night fishing but are unsuccessful.

Jesus calls to them from the shore, but just as when Jesus first appeared to Mary of Magdala, the disciples do not recognize him immediately. Still, they follow the stranger's instructions and bring in a large haul of fish. It is at this point that one of the disciples (the “disciple whom Jesus loved”) realizes that Jesus is appearing to them. Upon hearing this news, Simon Peter leads the way again, jumping from the boat and swimming to shore. The other disciples follow in the boat, dragging the fish.

The disciples have brought to shore a tremendous catch of fish that Jesus has directed them to find. But once on the shore, they see that Jesus has already prepared fish and bread on a charcoal fire. Jesus directs the disciples to bring their catch of fish as well. Jesus is host at the meal that follows, feeding the disciples the bread and fish. In this detail we see allusions to the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves and the fishes told in [John 6](#).

There are also allusions in the Gospel to our gathering for the celebration of the Mass. In the Eucharist, we too are fed by Jesus in the bread and wine that have become his very Body and Blood. We also find in this story insight about the Presentation of the Gifts at Mass. The gifts we bring to the altar, bread and wine, are made from gifts that God gave first to us: grain and grapes, the fruit of the earth. God has no need of anything further. Yet God accepts the offering we bring—bread and wine, “the work of human hands”—and transforms our offering into the gift of his very presence.

After the meal, Jesus directs himself to Simon Peter. The community of John's Gospel probably looked down on Peter because of his denial of Jesus. This dialogue with Simon Peter is a reversal of Peter's three denials. Peter is forgiven. Having been restored to friendship with Jesus, Simon Peter is sent on a mission. “Feed my lambs . . . Tend my sheep . . . Feed my sheep.” These commands indicate that Peter is to be as Jesus, even unto sacrificing for the flock. As Jesus has fed Peter in this meal and as Jesus feeds us in the Eucharist, so he also sends us to follow him, asking that we offer our lives in service and sacrifice.

Taken from: <https://www.loyolapress.com/catholic-resources/liturgical-year/sunday-connection/third-sunday-of-easter-cycle-c-sunday-connection/>

Mass Intentions for Third Week of Eastertide

Third Sunday of Easter

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| Saturday | 30 th April | 17.30 | Peter Lennon RIP |
| Sunday | 1 st May | 10.00 | Zygmunt Powiecki RIP |

Monday 2nd May No Mass
Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

Tuesday 3rd May No Mass
Feast of Sts Philip and James, Apostles

Wednesday 4th May No Mass
Feast of the English Martyrs

Thursday 5th May No Mass
Thursday of the third week of Easter

Friday 6th May No Mass
Friday of the third week of Easter

Saturday 7th May No Mass
Saturday of the third week of Easter

Fourth Sunday of Easter

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| Saturday | 7 th May | 17.30 | Intentions of Alan Smith |
| Sunday | 8 th May | 10.00 | Janka Grestiakova - blessings & good health |

No Rosary before Saturday evening Mass again this week.
It should be back next weekend.