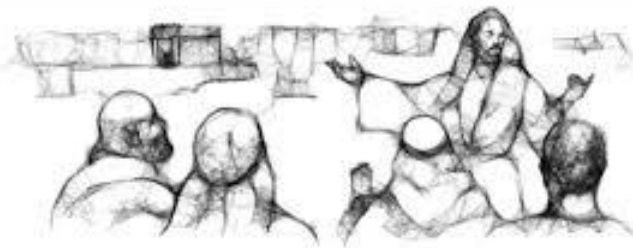


**Third Sunday of Easter, Year B**  
**13-14<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

You Will Be My  
**Witnesses**



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## Confirmation Preparation 2024

Meetings will now take place in the Cenacle:

Tues 16<sup>th</sup> April 4.30 – 5.30pm

Wed 24<sup>th</sup> April 4.30 – 5.30pm

Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May 4.30 – 5.30pm

Wed 12<sup>th</sup> June 4.30 – 5.30pm

Wed 19<sup>th</sup> June 4.30 – 5.30pm

Wed 26<sup>th</sup> June 4.30 – 5.30pm

Confirmation Mass Sunday 30<sup>th</sup>  
June @ 10am

## Thank You

Fr Joe would like to re-iterate his thanks to everybody for all their hard work in preparation for Easter. It was a wonderful celebration made better for all the hard work parishioners.



He would also like to thank people for their generosity in the Easter collection.

## Stephen Dale RIP

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Stephen Dale who died unexpectedly recently and for his family and friends who mourn him. May he rest in peace. Funeral details to follow.



## Tuesday Tea & Coffee



Why not come and have a chat and a cuppa at 9.30am on a Tuesday morning in the Cenacle?

Invite a friend. Everybody welcome.

## Dates for your Diary

9<sup>th</sup> June, 10am First Communion  
Mass

30<sup>th</sup> June, 10am Confirmation Mass

7<sup>th</sup> July Glass Ensemble Concert

## WEEKLY INCOME 6<sup>th</sup>-7<sup>th</sup> April

C'less:	£	108.00
Loose plate	£	183.94
Holy Places	£	434.62
1 <sup>st</sup> Friday Lunch	£	24.00
Weekly S Orders:	£	835.00

## Second collection next weekend

A collection for the Clergy Training Fund to be taken after all Masses on the weekend of 20-21 April.

## Saint Vincent de Paul Society

The Saint Vincent De Paul Society would like to hear from all parishioners in our community who live on their own or are lonely and would like a volunteer to visit on a regular basis for a cup of tea and a chat or a regular phone call.

We are here for you and want to support you. Don't be shy you are important to us.

Please call Bev Ryan on 07969884212 for more details.



### Piety Stall on a Saturday evening

We would love to have a regular presentation of piety stall products at the Saturday evening mass and I'm looking to have a team of 4 people on a rota.

If you would like to know more and have a little Del Boy charm I'd love to have a chat with you. Please call me  
Margaret 07789776327

Thank you



### CTC Champions Holiday Club



29<sup>th</sup> July – 2<sup>nd</sup> August, 10am-3pm in St Anne's school. For youngsters 5-11yrs. Bookings now open at

<https://buytickets.at/churches-togetherincavershamholidayclub> £27 for a whole week of fun if booked before 1<sup>st</sup> May.



Today's gospel, from Luke, continues with the recurring post-Easter theme of Eucharist and discipleship. Christ, broken and offered for us, rises triumphantly out of the tomb, and remains with us as bread and wine in the bloodless re-presentation of calvary. This is the heart of the paschal mystery revealed to us now—but how was it manifested in those first anxious and uncertain days after the resurrection? As we see today in the upper room, as we do in several post-resurrection scriptural passages, it is through fear, food, and the recognition of Jesus in a meal.

The gospel reading begins with the disciples, cowering in the upper room, recounting to the others their story about the trip to Emmaus and their recognition of Christ in the person of the strange pilgrim when he broke the bread at table. No sooner have they finished their astounding tale than Jesus again appears. The disciples, afraid they see a ghost, only believe when he eats before them. Later, on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, the kind stranger making breakfast as the disciples bring in an abundant harvest of fish (again linking Eucharist to discipleship) is revealed yet again to be Jesus present at the meal.

This intersection, where the collision of food and fear result in the recognition of Jesus fully present with us is, I believe, perfectly manifested in Caravaggio's 1606 masterpiece, *The Supper at Emmaus*. It shows the moment, the description of which opens today's gospel, when the disciples recognize Jesus in the breaking of bread. The fruit of this recognition is not in the disciples' archly operatic gestures of shock or the puzzled indifference of the waiter with his "what's going on here" attitude, but, appropriately enough, in the basket of fruit teetering on the edge of the table about to tumble off. A closer examination of the soon-to-be-tumbling basket reveals the fruit inside is spotted, rotted, and withering away. It is a perfect metaphor for when we recognize Jesus present in the Eucharist. Like the disciples on the road to Emmaus our minds are opened to God's truth. Like those in the upper room we lose our fear and, later, like those on the beach we recalibrate our lives away from ourselves to mission and ministry to others.

# Mass intentions for Third Week of Easter

## Third Sunday of Easter

## Year B

Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup> April	4.30pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		5.30pm	People of the parish
Sunday	14 <sup>th</sup> April	10.00am	John Eppstein RIP
Monday	15 <sup>th</sup> April	9.15am	Thgvg Our Lady & St Anne
Tuesday	16 <sup>th</sup> April	No Mass	
Wednesday	17 <sup>th</sup> April	6.30pm	Henryk Dubaj RIP
Thursday	18 <sup>th</sup> April	9.15am	Sean McCarthy RIP
Friday	19 <sup>th</sup> April	9.15am	Maria Angelica Ayala RIP
		[whole school]	

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

## Year B

Saturday	20 <sup>th</sup> April	4.30pm	<i>Confessions</i>
		5.30pm	People of the parish
Sunday	21 <sup>st</sup> April	10.00am	Brendan & Paul O'Rourke RIP

Evening Prayer followed by the rosary is prayed before Sat Mass, approx. 4.45pm. Everybody is welcome.



## OUR LADY'S LAMP

Lit this week for:

**No dedication this week.**

The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies & procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is **Julia Feeney**. They can be contacted at: [sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.ol.stanne.caversham@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/ [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.