

Intentions for Masses to be celebrated without the faithful

Saturday 28 th March	1.Jozef Marszat (RIP) 2.Hilda Thompson (Birthday)
Sunday 29 th March 5TH SUNDAY OF LENT (A)	1James O'Callaghan (Anniv.) 2.People of the Parish 3.Holy Souls (1)
Monday 30 th March	1.Praxedis (Spec. Int) 2.Holy Souls (2) 3.Myla O'Brian & Mary Quirke (Mother's Day Remembrance)
Tuesday 31 st March	1.Stephen & Cherry (Spec.Int.) 2.Holy Souls (3)
Wednesday 1 st April	1.Holy Souls 2.Holy Souls (4)
Thursday 2 nd April	1Anne Marie O'Riordan (Anniv) 2.Holy Souls (5)
Friday 3 rd April	1.Varkey Baby (RIP) 2.Holy Souls (6)
Saturday 4 th April	1.Sr Ruffilus (Anniv) 2.Holy Souls (7) 3.John & Kate O'Brien (Anniv)
Sunday 5 th April PALM SUNDAY (A)	1.Joseph Mate (Anniv) 2.Christina O'Byrne (Anniv) 3.Holy Souls (8)

**PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTE
PLEASE CONTACT US BY EMAIL or PHONE**

Sat 28 th Mar	ALL THESE EVENTS HAS BEEN CANCELED	Holy Communion Parents Meeting & Sessions – Church/Halls
Sun 29 th Mar		Confirmation Session – Youth Hall/RE
Sun 29 th Mar		Prayers of Divine Mercy- Church/Meeting Rm
Thur 2 nd Apr		Holy Communion Parents Meeting- Church

Social Easter Luncheon has been postponed until further notice.

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Sunday 29th March 2020

Fifth Sunday of Lent (A)

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

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To watch the Mass go to <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/>



What is the significance of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead? It is more than a miraculous event. It is a "sign" of God's promise to raise up all who have died in Christ to everlasting life. That is why Jesus asked Martha if she believed in the resurrection from the dead. The Christian creed, which is the profession of our faith in God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit and in the saving power of God, culminates in the proclamation of the resurrection of the dead on the last day and in life everlasting. This is our faith and our hope. *"If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in you, he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will give life to your mortal bodies also through his Spirit which dwells in you"* (Romans 8:11).

God gives us the power of his Holy Spirit that we may be made alive in Christ. Even now we can experience the power of the resurrection of the Lord Jesus in our personal lives. (c) 2020 [Servants of the Word](http://www.servantsoftheword.org/)

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Following the Prime Minister's historic announcement (23 March) strengthening restrictions in an attempt to combat the spread of COVID-19, **Catholic Churches are closed to the public at this time.**

Cardinal Vincent Nichols stresses that we must all play our part to safeguard the NHS and to save 'precious lives'.

"We're going to play our full part in it. That was the call of St. Paul that we ought to be good citizens and today we ought to be good citizens playing our part in the protection of the vulnerable, in our support for the NHS and in the preserving of human life, which is so precious to God in the face of this virus."

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

St John Vianney said "If we are deprived of Sacramental Communion, let us replace it, as far as we can, by spiritual communion, which we can make every moment; for we ought to have always a burning desire to receive the good God. Communion is to the soul like blowing a fire that is beginning to go out, but that has still plenty of hot embers; we blow, and the fire burns again."

A very ancient custom is to make a Spiritual Communion. In this prayer we express our desire to receive Our Lord spiritually — not with the same graces as a Sacramental Communion — but nonetheless a good and pious custom in times of necessity.

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"

Message from Fr Edward

Dear Parishioners,

Since my message last week things has changed. Now most of us stay at homes.

The Church is now closed until further notice. It may be closed for Easter and Holy Week services.

We your priests continue to celebrate Mass every day but without congregation. Looking at the empty benches we offer our prayers for all who would normally be sitting there but also for all of you especially those who are sick and house bounded. All booked Masses Intentions are being said. We do not provide livestreaming from our church however you can look at <https://www.churchservices.tv/> to see Mass at St Peter's and St Paul's – Ilford or in other churches. You are always present in our prayers. Daily liturgical resources for those at home, including Live-streaming of mass are also available on the CBCEW website. <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/>

The Parish Office is closed but we respond to phone calls and emails.

Until further notice there will be no parish meetings. This include preparations of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.

The celebrations of First Communion on 16th & 17th May and Confirmation on 31st May most likely will be postponed.

Please check our website www.stpeterdagenham.co.uk for updates and latest news.

God Bless You All

Fr Edward

Please pray for our Sick: Adora Garcia, Dee Duster, Jeffrey Duke, Valerie Brown, Frederick Morrison, Christina Carter, Mary Jackman, Baby Edward, Frances Duggan, Martha Buckley, Christopher Bone, Michael Moffat, Henry Moffat, J. Radford, Danielle Lai, L.Stuchfield, Sean Murphy, Marie Merrett, Myra Jarrett, Terry Hooker, Martina Murray, Sean Connors, Deborah Woldron, Baby Valentina Vizcaino