

SUNDAY 12TH MAY 2019

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The First Reading – Paul and Barnabas engage in a central pastoral task: they urge people to remain faithful to the grace of God – even in times of difficulty and misunderstanding.

The Second Reading – The victory of heaven is immense: John sees ‘a huge number, impossible to count,’ who have been faithful in persecution and hardship.

The Gospel – The Lord describes his sheep, his followers, as people who listen to his voice. There is no discipleship without attentive listening.

BAPTISM: The second May preparation class will be on Tuesday 14th in No.3 Berrymead Gardens, at 7:30pm. The welcoming ceremony will be on Sunday 12th, with the Baptism taking place on Sunday 26th at 1.30pm.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection next Sunday.

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday, the day we pray for priests and for vocations to the priesthood. The annual collection for the Priest Training Fund will take place next weekend. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 27 of whom are for our own Diocese, and last year 8 men ordained to the priesthood to serve as our future priests. This fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your generous donation helps ensure we can support these men who are called to be like Christ the Good Shepherd. Donation leaflets are available in the back of the church. Please take one home, read the information, and bring it back next weekend with your donation. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations. Thank you.

PRAY FOR THE VICTIMS OF THE SRI LANKA EASTER SUNDAY ATTACKS: Please pray for the people of Sri Lanka and for our Church. As an expression of our solidarity with the victims of the Sri Lanka attacks, to those who are injured and those who died, their families, and the community of Sri Lankans, let us pray:

We pray for the victims of the violent attacks in Sri Lanka. For those who lost their lives, may they find eternal peace in the arms of our heavenly Father. For those injured, those who lost their loved ones, or lost their sense of security, may they draw strength and peace from their faith in the risen Lord as they work to rebuild their lives. Help them to remain faithful, knowing that nothing can separate them from Your love.

Aid to the Church in Need have projects in Sri Lanka. If you would like to support them please visit <https://acnuk.org/our-campaigns/sri-lanka-emergency-appeal/>

REFLECTIONS FOR YOUNG ADULTS: A meeting of young adults at Archbishop's House will take place on Tuesday 21st May, 6.30pm. These meetings are an opportunity for young adults to come together, pray, have input from one of our diocesan bishops, reflect and discuss the place of faith in the life of young people. This time focusing on the exhortation from Pope Francis addressed to young people. All young adults are invited to attend. Please register your attendance by email to youth@rcdow.org.uk. For more details www.dowym.com/events

VOLUNTEER YEAR AT SPEC: SPEC, the diocesan youth retreat centre, offers the possibility of a volunteer year for young adults. The volunteer missionary would live on site in Pinner in the residential community, receive formation and accompaniment in their faith and serve as a retreat facilitator, working with the employed retreat leaders. In particular, any sixth formers who may like to find out more are welcome to attend a day retreat to see what goes on and meet the community. For more information please see www.dowym.com/spec/volunteer/ email: spec@rcdow.org.uk.

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? **Retrouvaille** (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille, or to register for the next programme commencing with a residential weekend on 7th – 9th June 2019 Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 or Email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com – or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

CARDINAL WISEMAN SCHOOL JOB VACANCIES:

Cleaner: £5,824. 10hr/week. Closing date: 24th May at 9am.

Senior Teaching Assistant: £20,209 – £21,316. 32.5 hours per week. Closing date: 13th May at 9am.

School chaplain: £35,309 - £37,018 Term Time Only. Closing date: 15th May at 9am.

Science Technician: £7,739 - £7,877 Part time, 2 days per week. Closing date: 20th May at 9am.

Full details available at www.wiseman.ealing.sch.uk or you can contact Mrs Christine Plant on 020 8575 8222 Ext 411 or email: recruitment@wiseman.ealing.sch.uk

VOCATIONS SUNDAY is May 12 this year or Good Shepherd Sunday: Loving father, you call us to help build a better world. As we journey through life listening to the voice of the Risen Lord, Make our hearts burn within us, as we hear your word in scripture, and share in the Holy Eucharist. Pour out on us your Holy Spirit, that we might have wisdom and understanding. Guide us in the footsteps of holy men and women of every age so that we may be transformed into the living image of Jesus your Son, who lived at the service of all. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

THIEVES OPERATING IN CHURCHES: A reminder has come to our attention from the neighbourhood watch for parishioners to not leave their bags unattended in church.

ACTON HOMELESS CONCERN: due to renovations taking place in Emmaus House, Acton Homeless Concern cannot accept clothes donations for the next 3 weeks. The British Heart Foundation in Ealing or Cape on Churchfield Rd are more than happy to accept your donations.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE PHYLLIS YANETTA: The funeral will take place at Our Lady of Grace and St Edward in Chiswick on Wednesday 22nd May at 11:30am. Her body will be received into the Church the evening before at 6pm.

RCIA: Join us at No. 5 Berrymead Gardens, at 7pm, if you wish to learn more about the Catholic faith.

WALK IN CLINIC: A qualified therapist will help ease your pain every Friday 9 – 12pm at No.3. Free of charge.

TEA AND COFFEE: There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 9.00am and 10.30am masses every Sunday morning.