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FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER						
SATURDAY	10тн	18:00	Fourth Sunday of Easter		Solemnity	Margaret Keogh RIP
SUNDAY	11тн	08:30	Fourth Sunday of Easter		Solemnity	Pro Populo
SUNDAY	11тн	10:00	Fourth Sunday of Easter		Solemnity	
SUNDAY	11тн	12:00	Fourth Sunday of Easter		Solemnity	Patrick Greevy RIP
SUNDAY	11тн	18:00	Fourth Sunday of E	aster	Solemnity	
MONDAY	12тн	10:00	SS Nereus and Achilleus		Memorial	Edith Kate Carpenter RIP
TUESDAY	13тн	10:00	Our Lady of Fátima		Memorial	Jenny Haliburn RIP
WEDNESDAY	14тн	10:00	St Matthias Apostle		Feast	Thanksgiving Raphael & Jui Koola
THURSDAY	15тн	10:00	St John Stone		Memorial	Thanksgiving Michael Koola

TEA AND COFFEE: SUNDAY AFTER 10AM MASS.

16TH

17_{TH}

10:00

10:00

St Simon Stock

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY EVENINGS: 5PM - 5:40PM

Mary Donkor RIP

Memorial

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FRIDAY

SATURDAY

We pray for Peter Murphy who died recently and all whose anniversaries occur around this time: Patrick Devine, Francis D'Souza, Jimi Delaney, Zosia Szakacs, Magdaline Patterson, Eugenie Amos, Sr Mary Toner and Mona Seecharan. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed - through the mercy of God - rest in peace.

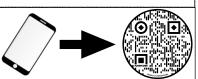
The past few weeks have been a real emotional rollercoaster for we who call ourselves Catholic. The joy of Easter, the death of our late Holy Father Pope Francis, his funeral Mass and now we celebrate the election of Pope Leo XIV as successor of Peter, Bishop of Rome and Pope of the Universal Church. It is a time when we are also appalled to see the suffering of so many innocent people in places of conflict; Ukraine, Gaza, Kashmir, Sudan - to name a few. In light of this it was consoling and reassuring to hear our new Holy Father - Pope Leo XIV - begin his pontificate with the word our risen saviour spoke to his first followers (when their hearts were also full of emotion and concern): "peace". He chose to associate this word with the love of the Lord for all and - in his words in his first sermon in the Sistine Chapel the following day - he directed our gaze once again to the person of Jesus Christ. In reflecting upon the choice of Peter, our Holy Father noted Jesus' question to his disciples: "who do people say I am?" (Mt 16:13) and imagined the same question being posed in our time saying: "Today... there are many settings in which Jesus, although appreciated as a man, is reduced to a kind of charismatic leader or superman. This is true not only among non-believers but also among many baptised Christians, who thus end up living, at this level, in a state of practical atheism." In contrast to this attitude Peter acclaimed Jesus as God and we are each called to do the same. The consequence of Peter's belief was the readiness to become self-sacrificial to the ultimate extent as a martyr as it was for St Ignatius of Antioch whom Pope Leo went on to quote as saying: "I will truly be a disciple of Jesus Christ, when the world no longer sees my body." We are each called to this in our "personal relationship with the Lord [and] in our commitment to a daily journey of conversion." We - as creatures - (Pope Leo said) are called to "move aside... spend ourselves to the utmost so that all may have the opportunity to know and love Him." We pray that Pope Leo may inspire us by his example of loving and imitating Jesus!

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PARISH NEWS

HABEMUS PAPAM: POPE LEO XIV: We rejoice at the election of our new Holy Father - Pope Leo XIV - and we ask almighty God to grant him wisdom, courage and humility in exercising the Petrine ministry. Our own Archbishop John Wilson released a statement upon the election of Pope Leo which you can read by clicking here. His inauguration will take place on Sunday 18th May at 9am BST. I would encourage you to click here to read his first homily given in the Sistine Chapel last Friday.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS SUNDAY - PRIEST TRAINING FUND: This Sunday we are invited to support our Archdiocese in training young men for ordination to serve as priests. As our recent Called to Bear Fruit consultation has indicated we are in real need of vocations. We need to pray and also - if you are able - to provide financial support to cover their full-time formation which is not cheap.

JUBILEE PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD: On Saturday 7th June from 9am to 5:30pm we will go by coach to Aylesford Priory for a day of talks, stalls, prayer, exhibitions and Mass with Archbishop John. We have already been oversubscribed with interest. A reminder that your place is only booked upon receipt of payment - of £20 - via the office and then a confirmation email. An email will be sent this coming week to all who have expressed interest. Your place will only be secured upon payment being made and a confirmation email being received. It is not possible to pay on the day.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS AND CONFIRMATIONS: Over the next three weeks over 100 of our children will receive the sacraments of the Eucharist and Confirmation. I am grateful to all who have given their time as Catechists and particularly to our programme coordinators. Let us hold our children and their families in prayer at this time and ask that God inspire within them an awareness of His love.

SCRIPTURE COURSE: This Tuesday at 7:30pm in the Church Hall. Subject: The Church: Acts 1 & 2.

NEXT SUNDAY IS SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY: Archbishop John has designated next Sunday a day on which we reflect upon the duty we all have to safeguard children and the vulnerable. He will address us in a pastoral letter and I am grateful in our parish for the work of our Parish Safeguarding Representatives. We pray for all survivors of abuse and all who work in the area of Safeguarding.

PARISH SUMMER FAIR - SATURDAY 14TH JUNE. Do please <u>Save The Date</u> as it is our major Parish Fundraiser. Thank you to all who have volunteered to suffer an Estate Agent's board in their front garden. Your communal kindness has raised £2000 for our parish!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: We are currently looking for volunteers to help in different ways in the parish: it is possible to get involved in flower arranging, church cleaning, First Holy Communion and Confirmation catechesis, Children's Liturgy, tea and coffees on Sundays and administration. If you are willing and able to get involved please do email us at brixtonhill@rcaos.org.uk.

SVP ADULT CLOTHES BANK - MONDAY 12TH MAY 2025: Free secondhand clothing 11am - 1pm on 12 May at St Vincent Centre Brixton, Talma Road, SW2 1AS. For further info call 07949603968.

PARISH AGM - THURSDAY 22ND MAY 2025 AT 7:30PM: All are welcome to attend our Parish AGM on Thursday 22nd May at 7:30pm in the Church Hall.