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SUNDAY 28TH MARCH 2020

5TH SUNDAY OF LENT

HOLY MASS WILL BE OFFERED FOR...

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION & DEVOTIONS



Sunday	Our Parish Family
	Santiago Pino Rumirez RIP [anniv.]
Monday	10am For an end to the Virus
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Tuesday	10am Private Intention [Novokavic]
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Wednesday	10am James Piggott Family RIP
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Thursday	10am For the whole world
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Friday	10am Welfare of Patrick Murray
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Saturday	10am
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* = Free Mass intention

Baptisms:	Suspended until further notice
Confessions:	Available on request
Weddings:	Suspended until further notice
Confirmation	Suspended until further notice
1st Communion:	Suspended until further notice
Initiation for Adults:	Suspended until further notice
Adoration (online):	Monday - Friday 08:30 - 09:30
Rosary (online):	Monday - Friday 09:00 - 09:20
Stations (online):	Click here for Daily Meditations
Divine Mercy:	Suspended until further notice

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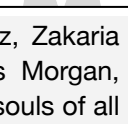
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Office Hours

Currently Closed

Hall Bookings: conor@lowcosthalls.co.uk



We pray especially for Esme Mackay RIP who died recently and for Santiago Pino Rumirez, Zakaria Maach, Kathleen Hetmanski, Thomas Doherty, Joseph Salerno, Patrick McMonagle, Dr James Morgan, George Calleja and Elizabeth Maja whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God rest in peace! We remember all those working in our emergency and social services, our doctors, nurses, paramedics, administrative staff and all key workers. We pray for all working to teach and support the children and parents at school. We keep in mind all who have lost their lives and their families and we pray for those who are suffering and who are lonely at this time.

The famous poet, Alexander Pope, reportedly said that “hope springs eternal”. Hope is one of the three theological virtues by which we desire the kingdom of heaven and eternal life as our happiness. It is probably the most necessary virtue during this testing time, and there is more detail about it in the Catechism (click [here](#)). Hope enables us to realise that, whatever the trials and tribulations of this life, they won’t last forever as we have a bright future in eternity. The story of Jesus raising Lazarus from the dead is one of fulfilled hopes for Martha and Mary. This historical event showed Jesus’ human love but more so His divine power in raising Lazarus. It is important to remember that, despite this miracle, Lazarus would ultimately die again at a later stage. Sadly, death is part of the human condition and is always a tragedy (Jesus wept over Lazarus). However, it doesn’t have the ‘last laugh’ and is not the end of the story. Indeed, for us Christians, it is really just the beginning. Martha recognised this and showed her humanity in wanting Lazarus back but she knew it would only be temporary. For her, hope sprang eternal. This period of lockdown is an opportunity to remind ourselves of what is really important. Let us ask for the gift of hope in our lives and trust that the promises of Christ, which infinitely surpass the sufferings of this transient world, will be fulfilled.

Deacon Dermott

Parish Offertory

For those who are able to donate via bank transfer at this time: NatWest:
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Next Sunday’s Readings: Palm Sunday

1st Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11
First: Isaiah 50:4-7
Psalm: 21(22):8-9,17-20,23-24
Second: Philippians 2:6-11
Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66



PARISH NEWS

Live Streaming of Sunday Mass, Daily Mass and Daily Holy Hour: We are pleased to announce that from Monday morning (30th March) we will offer live streaming of the Mass so you can join with us in offering the most perfect prayer for those in need. Our Streaming will be via Facebook Live on our [Facebook Page](#) (**you DO NOT have to be “on” Facebook (signed up) to follow the link and watch**). Streaming will begin at 08:30 each day with a Holy Hour of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Rosary and then Holy Mass will begin at 10:00. Our First Sunday Mass will be on Sunday 5th April (Palm Sunday) and we will begin our celebration of Holy Week together! :-)

How to make a Spiritual Communion: Attached to the emailed edition of our Newsletter is a document explaining what is meant by Spiritual Communion. Although you are unable to be present at Mass at the moment you can offer yourselves to Jesus by using the formula of prayer recommended to help you deepen your appreciation of the Mass while physically absent from it.

Stations of the Cross cannot be celebrated in public together. In place of this we are sharing a photograph of each of our Church's beautiful Stations with an accompanying meditation from Fr Dominic Allain. There will be a new station each day until Good Friday. Click [here](#) to access them.

Helping the needy: We have been working hard to ensure that everyone who is in a vulnerable position; either alone or lacking support from others who can shop for them, are being helped. In doing this I've liaised with Lambeth Council who have great services for the vulnerable. If you know of anyone who requires basic assistance to prevent them leaving the house please get in touch with us and we either help them directly or sign-post them. There is a helpline specifically for those over 70 years of age run by Lambeth Council which can be accessed by clicking [here](#).

Telephone support: The clergy and the SVP have been calling those who are isolated and lack the support of friends and family. Although we're currently unable to visit nursing homes due to infection control we've been in touch with the Manager of Windmill Lodge Nursing Home who is arranging for us to video call residents to maintain spiritual support for them while in isolation.

Staying in touch: You are reading this because we have your email address. There are many who are disconnected from us because we do not have their contact details. Please ask those whom you know to get in touch with us via email by clicking [here](#) and request to receive our Newsletter via email. We will add them to our mailing list so we can all stay in touch.

The Food Bank: The Food Bank is still open and receiving donations; visit the link by clicking [here](#) to know what is required. You can provide financial support to them by clicking [here](#).

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Funeral of Archbishop Emeritus of Southwark Peter Smith RIP: Archbishop John Wilson writes: *“There will now be a private Reception of the Body and Funeral Liturgy, with burial in the Cathedral vault. At a later date, when the restrictions have been removed, a Mass in memoriam will be celebrated where we can all gather together. Please continue to pray for the repose of his soul.”* The funeral will take place this Monday 30th March.

The Priests' House is in isolation! Fr Gerard, Fr Dermott and I have all experienced symptoms over the last few days and have therefore entered isolation within The Priests' House. I have been in touch with the Dean, Fr Richard Reid of St Mary's, Clapham, who will provide cover when we receive emergency calls and funerals over the next couple of weeks. We will continue offering Mass, ministering via telephone and through social media!