



# Our Lady of Grace & St Edward's Chiswick & St Dunstan's Gunnersbury with St Joseph's Grove Park

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14<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2023

## 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

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### Fr Michael writes:

For many years I had been anticipating last Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> May. The date is inscribed in my memory each year because it is the anniversary of the day upon which Mother Julian of Norwich (1342-1416) received her sixteen 'Revelations of Divine Love', which formed the basis, after reflecting on what she had received for nearly twenty years, the substance of her one great work, among the very first books to be written in English and certainly the first by a woman. Why was this year so special? She received the visions in 1373, meaning this was the 650<sup>th</sup> anniversary of them – and I won't be around for the 700<sup>th</sup>! I was pleased to find that a series of events in Norwich and elsewhere is commemorating the anniversary <https://julianofnorwich.org/> with the *Friends of Julian of Norwich* celebrating the anniversary on their home page. Her most famous line, expressing such deep trust in the Providence of God, "All shall be well, and all manner of thing shall be well," reached the greatest public they had ever done on Coronation Day. These words were embroidered on to the bottom of the main screen of the three which shielded the monarch as he was being anointed as King at the Coronation <https://www.dioceseofnorwich.org/news/my-prayer-for-their-majesties-all-shall-be-well/> These words, which bear much reflection as well as trust, are also cited in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, paragraph 313.

**PARISH JAUNT TO WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL, 18<sup>th</sup> May, this coming Thursday by special invitation from the organisation *Friends of Westminster Cathedral*** the parishioners of Chiswick, Gunnersbury & Grove Park are to enjoy a private tour of the Cathedral on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May, the Solemnity (and Holy Day of Obligation) of the Ascension. This special tour is not available to the general public and will be conducted after the Cathedral has closed immediately following the 5.30pm Mass. After the tour, which will be led by Professor Andrew Sanders, there will be a drinks reception in Clergy House Library. There is no charge to attend this private tour but it is hoped that attendees will seriously consider joining the Friends at a time when the Cathedral needs support. Thus: 5.30pm Sung Mass; 6.30pm, gather for tour at West Doors under the clock; 7.30pm Drinks in Clergy House Library; 8.00pm, departures. **Furthermore**, the 5.30pm Mass not only fulfils the Obligation to attend Mass on the Ascension, but it is the official Mass of Welcome to the new Papal Nuncio to Great Britain to be celebrated by Cardinal Vincent, - so a particularly special celebration and the Cathedral at its best. By all means let me/Parish Office know you're coming or just turn up.

## 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sat 13/5 6.30pm 6.30pm	Vigil Mass  <i>Grove Park</i>	Major Dilys Davies Jean Brown	ANN RD
Sun 14/5 8.30am 9.45am 10.00am 11.00am 12.15pm 6.30pm	6 <sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER  <i>Gunnersbury</i>	Rosie McManus Daniel & Alice O'Gorman Barbara Sullivan Patricia Crowley John Larkin People of the Parish	ANN ANN INT INT ANN INT
Mon 15/5 10.00am	EASTER FERIA	Paddy McLaughlin	ANN
Tue 16/5 10.00am	EASTER FERIA	Margaret McKelliery	RD
Wed 17/5 10.00am 6.00pm 6.00pm	EASTER FERIA  Comboni Convent	Dr. Derek D'Souza <b>Reception of Kevin Gavin</b> Laurie Fabian	RD RIP ANN
Thur 18/5 10.00am 12.00 7.30pm	ASCENSION OF THE LORD	Brian Robbins <b>Funeral of Kevin Gavin</b> Andrew O'Shaughnessy	RD RIP RD
Fri 19/5 10.00am 12.45pm 6.00pm	EASTER FERIA  PIME Convent	Private Intentions <b>Funeral of Michael Pickersgill</b> Mrs Marani	SICK RIP INT
Sat 20/5 10.00am 11.00am 12.30pm 5.00pm 6.30pm 6.30pm	EASTER FERIA  <i>Grove Park</i>	Margaret Carey Confession <b>First Holy Communion</b> Confession Margaret Edwards Thomas Sedic Brown	RD  INT  RD RD

**For those who are sick:** Sandra Bocca, Cecil Pocock, Romeo Monthly, Fr. Eammon Conarty, Celine Duignon, Andy Cronin, Hugh Caldin, Alex Tuffy, Eileen McGuinness, Greta Gribben, John Monks, Jim Ryan, P.C.Wynne, Ted O'Connor, Cecilia Walsgrove, Marion Sutton, Mike O'Farrelly, Elizabeth Mulhall, Pascale Murphy, Claudio Bogi, Gloria Weymouth, Theresa Southern, Constance Redmond, Georgia, Brid, Pat Gleasure, Tony Sheehan, Vera Jansen, Dr. Charles Bredin, Mary Frain, Margaret Organ, Natalie Williams, Michel Sfeir, Monica McGowan, Kirsten Constance (and her baby), Kay Kiggins, Peter Kerridge and those suffering.

**For the recently deceased:** Kevin Gavin, Michael Pickersgill, John Catchpole, Bernard 'Brian' Gill, James A. Langer, Brian Robbins, Alice Deloio, Val Watson and Bridget Feltham. May they Rest in Peace.

**For those whose anniversaries are at this time:** Major Dilys Davies, Rosie McManus, Daniel & Alice O'Gorman, John Larkin, Paddy McLaughlin, Laurie Fabian, Beatrice King. May they Rest in Peace.

### THIS WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS, Mass Book p.268

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17

Psalm: 65: 1-7, 16, 20

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 3: 15-18

Gospel: John 14: 15-21

### NEXT WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS, Mass Book p.275

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Acts 1: 12-14

Psalm: 26: 1, 4, 7-8

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: 1 Peter 4: 13-16

Gospel: John 17: 1-11

**FR FEMI'S MUSICAL MINISTRY** – for those who have expressed an interest in purchasing some of Fr Femi's musical works and collaborations these CDs are now available in the repository. You can follow his musical ministry online [www.spiritansound.com](http://www.spiritansound.com) and <https://www.youtube.com/@OLUWAFEMIORILUACSSP>

## THE PARISH LENT PROJECT:

**OUR OVERSEAS LENT PROJECT THIS YEAR: St Francis Leprosy Guild (SFLG)** - a Catholic charity with a 127 year history of working to end the suffering still caused by leprosy. It supports 40 leprosy centres around the world treating and supporting almost 20,000 people in low-income countries. **£9199.96** has been donated so far. Leaflets at the back of church with our unique SFLG QR code so any donation made via the QR code records the donation coming from the parish so our fundraising thermometer can keep going up! Please see <https://www.sfrancisleprosy.org/>

**OUR DOMESTIC LENT PROJECT THIS YEAR: Cardinal's Lenten Appeal 2023** - Funds raised this year will be shared between the four pillars of the Cardinal's Appeal: Marriage & Family Life; Youth & Evangelisation; the Education Service and Caritas Westminster. Cardinal Nichols has expressed his gratitude to everyone who supports the Appeal. **£4456.43** has been donated so far. Take a donation envelope either for info or to use the QR code to make your donation online, though pls let the Parish Office know so our fund-raising thermometer at the back of church can keep going up!

**CASH** placed in the Lent Project money box at the main doors of the church will be divided 50% for St. Francis Leprosy Guild and 50% Cardinal's Appeal. Cash placed in envelopes made for either charity and handed into the collection or the presbytery will go 100% to the named charity. Cheques should be payable to 'Our Lady of Grace and St Edward's Church' and come in an envelope marked with the designated charity. Undesignated cheques will be divided as per the cash in the Lent Project box.

**PRIEST TRAINING FUND – THANK YOU** to those who were able to contribute to the annual collection supporting those training for the future priesthood of our diocese. **£1543.01 was raised by Chiswick & Gunnersbury**, with a further **£222 from Grove Park**, a total of **£1765.01!** Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. There are still Gift Aid envelopes at the back of church which can be added to any collection being identified for the Priest Training Fund or you could use the QR code to donate online or see [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations). Thank you.

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP** – Those aged 18-35 are very welcome to join the weekly social gathering of young adults in our parish. Meet outside church after the 6.30 Sunday evening Mass TODAY. See: <https://www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org/young-adults>

**CENTERING PRAYER (CP)** – The group is convening weekly via Zoom at 7.30pm with the next session Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Please note there will not be a meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> of May. For more info Contact: John O'Brien: 07747611616 or [john@jobrien.co.uk](mailto:john@jobrien.co.uk)

**THE MEN'S GROUP** - Our next meeting is on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 8.15 for 8.30pm in the St Edward's Room. Men of all ages are very welcome to join us for a screening of the 2022 film "Father Stu" based on the true story of a US boxer who discovers faith and becomes a Catholic priest. Refreshments provided. Email Stephen Donnelly at [donnellysm@hotmail.com](mailto:donnellysm@hotmail.com) for details, or just turn up. We are affiliated to [www.catholicman.uk](http://www.catholicman.uk)

**BAPTISM** – The next Baptism Preparation Course for those seeking their first baptism for a baby or infant is on 13<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> June, 7.30pm in the church and St Edward's Room. Apply via the Parish Office or via the parish website: [www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org](http://www.ourladyofgracechiswick.org)

**PARISH VOLUNTEERS** – Catherine Sutherland our Safeguarding Representative will be emailing parish volunteers offering opportunities to those who need them for the renewing of their DBS certificates. Catherine is offering dates for thirty-minute appointments in the Priests' House Meeting Room to validate documents and to submit renewal applications. Please respond to the emails in good time: [chiswicksg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk](mailto:chiswicksg@safeguardrcdow.org.uk) Please contact the Parish Office [chiswick@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:chiswick@rcdow.org.uk) or 02089942877 to arrange the appointment.

**THE SUNDAY 9.45am FAMILY MASS** – Children, of course, are entirely welcome at any of the parish Masses but the 9.45 'Family Mass' aspires to be especially accessible for children, hence the Children's Liturgy during term-time in the St Edward's Room. Please could parents and perhaps children, too, reflect how to enhance this accessibility, perhaps through music and other ways to encourage greater participation experienced elsewhere, home or abroad, and let Fr Michael know of any ideas which have borne fruit. *Thank you.*

**THANK YOU TO THE VOLUNTEERS for the CORONATION TEA PARTY** – So many of the 100 guests at the Coronation Tea Party last Monday afternoon have sent their thanks to the volunteers via Fr Michael and the Parish Office. The volunteers' labour was hugely appreciated and everyone enjoyed the afternoon immensely.

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION** – If you feel you might be called to this truly extraordinary ministry both to the Lord and to His People, and have some years of continuous practice of the faith in this parish or verified elsewhere with a Parish Priest's reference, and have a readiness to serve in the Church and parish, particularly in the ministry of visiting the elderly and housebound at home (for which a DBS certificate would be required) then please mention it to Fr Michael. Thank you.

**RECEIVING THE PRECIOUS BLOOD AT HOLY COMMUNION** – As we return to the option and practice of receiving the Precious Blood, communicants should please note that the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales does not allow for intinction, - the practice of dipping the Sacred Host into the Precious Blood before receiving Holy Communion. Though some Bishops' Conferences in Europe and around the world allow for this, it isn't an option here for the congregation and so the Minister of Holy Communion is likely to intervene and ask you not to intinct. Please respect the request.

**'HOME INSTEAD' AFTERNOON TEA** - Local care company Home Instead Hammersmith & Chiswick invite all local seniors to join them at their complimentary afternoon tea and fun sessions. These take place at the Chiswick Catholic Centre, 2 Dukes Avenue, W4 2AE on the last Wednesday of every month, between 2.30pm-4.30pm. The next event will take place on Weds 31<sup>st</sup> May. There will be a classic afternoon tea with music & a guest speaker. This is an opportunity for friendship, discussions, advice and fun! Please call us on 020 8746 1213 or visit us at our office, 186 Sutton Court Road, Chiswick.

**VOCATIONS OPEN EVENING** - On Weds 17<sup>th</sup> May, there will be an open evening at St James, Spanish Place, for any men interested in learning about or discerning a vocation to priesthood. The regular evening Mass will be at 6.00pm, followed by a gathering downstairs in the Social Centre with short presentation, informal conversations, refreshments. Tubes: Bond St & Baker St.

**MEET THE MOTHER OF BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS!** – Antonia Salzano, the mother of the Fulham parish-born Blessed Carlo Acutis, the 15-year old apostle of the Eucharist who died 12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2006 and was beatified on 10<sup>th</sup> Oct 2020, will give a talk at the Diocesan Shrine of the Blessed Sacrament, Corpus Christi Church, Maiden Lane, Covent Garden, London WC2E 7NB, after 6.30pm Mass, Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023. See [www.maidenlane.org.uk](http://www.maidenlane.org.uk)

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND** - led this year by Bishop John Sherrington and Fr John Farrell OP. Sun 19<sup>th</sup> Nov to Mon 27<sup>th</sup> Nov. See: Galilee; Jerusalem; Bethlehem. Flying from Heathrow. Cost, full board £2,265 per person sharing a room, £682 single room supplement. Book online at <http://www.tangney-tours.com/WHL> or call Gill 01732 886666.

**CATHOLIC TRUTH SOCIETY (CTS) BOOKLETS/LEAFLETS** – are on a stand at the back of the church. Prices are marked on each. Please put the money for these purchases in the brown collection box marked 'CTS' at the back of the church.

**CATHOLIC UNIVERSE WEEKLY** – Such has been the demand for a return in hard copy of the Catholic Universe Weekly, that it is due to return to the back of church next weekend 20<sup>th</sup> May. £3.50 per copy with cash to the the 'Catholic Papers' box at the back.

**REPOSITORY** – On sale this week First Holy Communion cards and gifts, Confirmation cards and other religious items and also the Westminster Year Book £5.00. Open after Sunday morning Masses.

**JAM JARS REQUIRED** – Kay Senior is preparing for her annual charity flower and produce sale. She is in urgent need of Grand Mama Jam Jars with checked lids so she can have marmalade for sale. Contact her on 02087439385 if you have any she can collect.

**TEA AND COFFEE MORNINGS** – The Tuesday post-Mass coffee morning at 10.30am in the St. Edward's Room and on Friday at 10.30am in the Parish Centre. All are very welcome!

Collections for last weekend:  
**OLOG & St Edward's and St Dunstan's Chiswick**  
7/5/23 - £4171.42  
**St Joseph's Grove Park**  
7/5/23 - £174.65  
*Thank you for your generosity.*