# **SACRED HEART OF JESUS - NEWSLETTER**

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Saturday 24th April 1pm Wedding of Victoria and Robert

Saturday 24th April 5pm John and Daisy Egan R.I.P

Sunday 25th April 9.30am People of the Parish

Sunday 25th April 11am Michael and Margaret R.I.P

Monday 26th April NO MASS

Tuesday 27th April 6pm Angelo de Palma RIP

Wednesday 28th April 10am Pasqua Summo RIP

Thursday 29th April 10am Fr Graziano – Anniversary of Ordination

Friday 30th April 10am Mass – Enrico Iacobone RIP

Followed by Adoration and Chaplet of the Precious Blood

Saturday 1st May 5pm Sabini Poli RIP

Sunday 2nd May 9.30am People of the Parish

Sunday 2nd May 11am Eamonn O’Reilly R.I.P

**Please remember to book your place by emailing the office**

**at sittingbourne@rcaos.org.uk or phoning on Fridays 9am-4pm**

Parish News

**Gift Aid Boxes**

A small number of gift aid boxes are still in the office. If you have not received your envelopes for this tax year please collect them from the office during office hours or between 10.30 and 11am Sunday mornings.

**FHC, Baptisms and Confirmation**

At the present time we are still unable to have any catechesis in the parish so plans for FHC, Baptisms and Confirmation are on hold. Please watch the newsletter for updates as the Diocese/Government advise us of any changes.

**Lucky Numbers**

The lucky numbers for January to May will be drawn at the beginning of May and the results will be included in the newsletter following the draws.

# **Fourth Sunday of Easter – Year B (Good Shepherd)**

### Entrance Antiphon.

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens

were made. alleluia.

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.**

**C.** The Lord be with you.

**All. And with your Spirit**

**All: I confess to almighty God**

**And you my brothers and sisters,**

**That I have greatly sinned,**

**In my thoughts and in my words,**

**In what I have done and in what I have failed to do,**

**through my fault, through my fault,**

**through my most grievous fault;**

**therefore, I ask blessed Mary ever-virgin,**

**all the Angels and Saints,**

**and you my brothers and sisters,**

**to pray for me to the Lord our God.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**C:** Christ have mercy**. All:** **Christ have mercy.**

**C:** Lord, have mercy. **All:** **Lord, have mercy.**

**All: Glory to God in the highest**

**And on earth peace to people of goodwill.**

**We praise you,**

**We bless you,**

**We adore you; we glorify you; we give you thanks for your great glory,**

**Lord God, heavenly King,**

**O God, almighty Father.**

**Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,**

**Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the father,**

**You take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;**

**You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;**

**You are seated at the right hand of the Father,**

**Have mercy on us.**

**For you alone are the Holy One,**

**You alone are the Lord,**

**You alone are the Most High**

**Jesus Christ,**

**With the Holy Spirit,**

**In the glory of the Father.**

**Amen**

**C:** Let us pray.

**First Reading Acts 4:8-12**

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: ‘Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.’

The word of the Lord.

**Responsorial Psalm: 117:1,8-9,21-23,26,28-29. R.v.22**

**Response: The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,

for his love has no end.

It is better to take refuge in the Lord

than to trust in men;

it is better to take refuge in the Lord

than to trust in princes. ***R#***

I will thank you for you have given answer

and you are my saviour.

The stone which the builders rejected

has become the corner stone.

This is the work of the Lord

a marvel in our eyes. ***R#***

Blessed in the name of the Lord is

he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;

I will thank you for you have given answer

and you are my saviour.

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;

for his love has no end. ***R#***

**Second Reading 1 John 3:1-2**

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God’s children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;

I know my own sheep and my own know me.

**Alleluia!**

**Priest:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

**Priest:** A reading from the Holy Gospel according to ….

**All: Glory to you, O Lord.**

**Gospel John 10:11-18**

Jesus said:

‘I am the good shepherd:

the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.

The hired man, since he is not the shepherd

and the sheep do not belong to him,

abandons the sheep and runs away

as soon as he sees a wolf coming,

and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;

this is because he is only a hired man

and has no concern for the sheep.

‘I am the good shepherd;

I know my own

and my own know me,

just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father;

and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have

that are not of this fold,

and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice,

and there will be only one flock,

and one shepherd.

‘The Father loves me,

because I lay down my life

in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me;

I lay it down of my own free will,

and as it is in my power to lay it down,

so it is in my power to take it up again;

and this is the command I have been given by my Father.’

**Priest:** The Gospel of the Lord

**All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**

**Apostles Creed**

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

**Liturgy of the Eucharist:**

C: Pray, brethren….

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands**

**for the praise and glory of his name**

**for our good and the good of all his holy Church.**

**C**: The Lord be with you **All:** **and with your Spirit**

**C**: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

**C:** Let us give thanks to the Lord our God. **All: it is right and just.**

**All: Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God of hosts**

**Heaven and earth are full of your glory**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

**Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.**

**Hosanna in the highest.**

 **Lord’s Prayer: Our Father…**

**C:** ……. And the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

**All:** **For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.**

**All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.**

**Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.**

**C:** Behold the Lamb of God…….

**All: Lord, I am not worthy**

**that you should enter under my roof,**

**but only say the word**

**and my soul shall be healed.**

***(Before the Celebrant receives Communion, he will elevate the Host and* then elevate the *Chalice. Holy Communion then follows the Concluding Rites.)***

**C: THE BODY OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**C: THE BLOOD OF CHRIST. All: AMEN**

**Communion Antiphon:**

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep

and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

**C: Let us Pray……….**

**C:** The Lord be with you

**All: And with your Spirit.**

C:May Almighty God bless you,

The Father, and the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

**All: Amen**

**Priest:** Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life. Alleluia,

**All: Thanks be to God. Alleluia,**