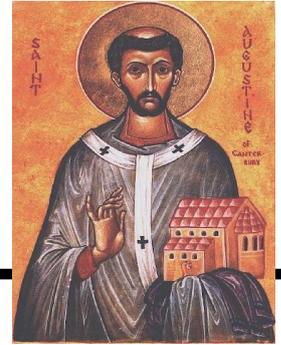




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# PARISH NEWS

Sunday: 11 am Sung Mass + Wednesday: 12 noon Low Mass + Holy Days: As Announced

**A Very Warm  
WELCOME**

**This Sunday is  
Easter III  
8th May 2022**

The Propers of the Mass  
are on page 536 of the  
Book of Common Prayer

## HYMNS

**296**

**124**

**297**

**185**

*Following the last hymn  
we shall turn to Our Lady and  
the Statue will be crowned with  
Flowers, afterwards in place of  
the Angelus, during  
Eastertide, we sing  
The Regina Caeli*



**Please  
Turn off Your  
Mobile Phones**

Our Organ doesn't like them

*Dear Friends,*

**Alleluia!  
Christ is risen!**

Our Lord's appearance to the two disciples on the road to Emmaus is perhaps the most comforting post Resurrection accounts. It comes so very near to our own experience. As with all the events in Scripture, it might be tempting to mistakenly think that it is only by visiting the places where they happened that we can catch a glimpse of the experience ourselves. The reality is very different. True going on pilgrimage is awesome and awe-inspiring but there is something about the road to Emmaus that makes it seem near and familiar. It might be the very street on which we live, or a road that we regularly travel.

We all have memories of going on walks when we have needed to think things through or have been sad. There will most probably have been walks when we have been accompanied by someone with whom we have talked without reservation. Talking - perhaps in frustration, despair, confusion or bewilderment. And then there have been walks alone. The troubles gripping us were perhaps more anxious then, and the sadness more difficult to deal with. We grappled with things we could not understand. Whatever they were, the thing that was hardest to understand was why we were left to struggle alone!

Those disciples on the Road to Emmaus were experiencing all of these things. Who among us has not experienced whether to greater or lesser degree their own road to Emmaus?



*"And it came to pass, that Jesus himself drew near, and went with them. But their eyes were holden that they should not know Him." And He said unto them, "What manner of communications are these that ye have one to another, as ye walk and are sad?" Then they opened their hearts and told him everything. And yet they did not know Him. And Our Lord talked with them. And then evening came.*

Evening on a city street, or a country road, can be desperately lonely. The disciples dreaded this. They clearly wanted Our Lord to tarry with them. And yet they did not know Him. And He took bread and blessed it, and brake, and gave it to them. And then — then their eyes were opened and they knew Him. And they remembered that their hearts had burned within them, while He talked with them by the way.

This same experience is ours for the taking. The walk and the reasoning; and the sadness; and

# May

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## Sunday 8th

*Easter III*

11am Sung Mass

*Followed by our Monthly Healing Service*

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## Wednesday 11th

*Requiem Chantry Book Mass*

12 noon Low Mass

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## Sunday 15th

*Easter IV*

11am Sung Mass

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## Wednesday 18th

*Ordination to Diaconate (Sub Conditione) Revd Gordon Tall*

12 noon Low Mass

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## Thursday 19th

*St Dunstan & Ordination to Priesthood (Sub Conditione) Revd Gordon Tall*

12 noon Low Mass

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## Sunday 22nd

*Anticipated Patronal Festival of St Augustine of Canterbury (Easter V)*

11am Sung Mass

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the unrecognised Companion; and the strange heart-burning; and the longing; and the breaking of the bread at the Communion that we shall never forget. And the opening of our eyes. And we know Him.

The theologians can explain how it happened. But we knew it before they explained it. And the astounding thing about it all is that we do not have to cross oceans and continents or turn time back to the first Easter and find the old road to Emmaus.

The place of meeting is here. The time is today. The road runs by our own house. The breaking of the bread takes place upon our own Altar. Our own eyes are opened. And we are saying to the world today ...

**He is Risen indeed! Alleluia!**



## Photos from our Synod last Saturday



On Saturday 30th April the XX Diocesan Synod was held in Great Barr, Birmingham. Fr Ray was appointed Vicar General of the DUK and Mr Michael Smales was the recipient of this years Bishop's Award for Outstanding Lay Service.

## May, the Month of Mary

Today, at the end of Mass, the Statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be crowned with May flowers.



## YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR ...

Canon Don and Di Walker; Chris Bosworth; Margaret and Laurence Mead; Paul and Sue Fletcher; Barbara Henderson; Todd, David and Sheila; Colin Rumens; Frederick Chadwick; Ann Chapman; Pauline Allison; Harrison and Edward Eckert; Margaret and Peter Martin; Margaret Bendelow; Dorothy Hipkiss; Fr Miles Maylor; Elizabeth Bell; Vickie Wall; Canon Charles and Pat Johnson; Fr Ed & Liz Bakker; Deb Stuck; Angela and Hazel; Sarah, David, Nicole and Corrina Winterburn; Kathleen Dunford; Deacon Jong; Bishop David Haines; Malcolm Munn; Barbara Bowers; Isabella Ighodaro, Fr Howard Marsh. All those effected by the Coronavirus. For Peace in Ukraine and Russia, and throughout the World.

*For those who read these Parish Notes on our Notice Board outside Church and all who receive email or paper copies.*

- For our neighbours and the people of **Painters Forstal** and the surrounding countryside and villages, the **growth** of our **Church Family**.
- For **persecuted Christians** especially in Africa, Pakistan, Afghanistan, the Middle East and China.

*For those in our Diocesan Cycle of Prayer*

- Diocese of Cameroon, Bishop Ordinary - Rt Rev Alphonse Ndukiye;
- For the Board of Ministry and for the Ordinands and vocations;
- Those in spiritual poverty.
- For the new Officers and Council of Advice Members appointed or elected on Saturday at Synod.

*And we remember the recently departed: specially N and those whose anniversaries fall at this time: N*

✘ Rest Eternal Grant unto them, O Lord **R/s:** And let light perpetual shine upon them

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### CHURCH FLOWERS

*To make a donation for Easter Flowers in Church—Please see Mrs Margaret Mead*

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