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Christ our hope is risen!

Christ dies to rise again so that his Father will be glorified. We too are brought back to true life in Christ. If we die with him, we will rise with him, and be living witness to the power of the Resurrection.

Sundays Year C ~ Easter Season ~ Psalms Week:

Easter Sunday
 20th April 2025

Entrance Antiphon	<i>I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.</i>	
First Reading	<i>'We ate and drank with him after he rose from the dead.'</i>	Acts 10:34a, 37-43
Responsorial Psalm	<i>This is the day the Lord has made: Let us rejoice in it and be glad.</i>	Psalms 118
Second Reading	<i>Seek the things that are above, where Christ is.</i>	Colossians 3:1-4
Gospel Acclamation	<i>Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ, our Passover lamb, has been sacrificed: let us therefore celebrate the festival of the Lord. Alleluia!</i>	
Gospel	<i>'He must rise from the dead.'</i>	John 20: 1-9

Saturday		Easter Vigil	8:30pm	Easter Vigil (Parishioners)
Sunday	20th April	Easter Sunday	10:30am	Gwen Fitzpatrick R.I.P.
Monday	21st April	Easter Octave	9:15am	Yoris Alas R.I.P.
Tuesday	22nd April	Easter Octave		No Mass
Wednesday	23rd April	Easter Octave	7:00pm	Concetta Borg R.I.P.
Thursday	24th April	Easter Octave	9:15am	Armando Cugliandolo R.I.P.
Friday	25th April	Easter Octave		No Mass
Saturday	26th April	Easter Octave	10:00am	Parishioners
			6:00pm	Barbara Conway R.I.P.
Sunday	27th April	2nd Sunday of Easter	10:30am	Private Intention (S)

Morning or Evening Prayer will be prayed fifteen minutes before weekday Masses.

Confessions on Saturday 10.30-11.00am and Wednesday 6.00-6.30pm.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament every Thursday after the morning Mass.

Sick and Housebound – Please pray for, Deirdre Mohan, Peter Bevis, Patricia Paul, Christopher Sharples, Peter King, Joseph Mitton, Geoff Routs, Henry Bedingfield, Jane Henson, John Barnes, Sue Williams, Jennifer Gates, Trudy McClosky, Gerry Watt, Yustyna Adamska, Michele Bendall, Christina Thomas, Ann Bettany and Marcia Jenkin.

Faithful Departed – Please pray for Helen (Pat) Holman, Nick Fulcher, Robert Graver, Brian Finnie, Gwen Fitzpatrick, Peter McKeown, Robert Begley, Dan Ruddock, Peter Mitchell and all whose anniversaries occur around this time,

Collection

12th /13th April

£630.94

Many Thanks

The Chosen: During the parish mission, Sr Camilla strongly recommended that we watch the series about Our Lord called 'The Chosen'. I have obtained a copy of this and thought we could gather in the Garden Room to watch an episode or two each month. The first few meetings will be on Wednesday evenings at 7.30pm (after the evening Mass) on the following dates: May 28, June 25, July 23, August 27, September 24, October 22, November 26.

Mission Comment Box: At the recent parish AGM it was agreed that a box should be placed in the porch for everyone to write a short comment on what the parish mission meant to them, and particularly how the COLW sisters helped, so that we can send these to the Bishop along with a covering letter from the parish. The box will be in place until the Easter weekend.

Parish Mission: A meeting to look at the way forward following our very successful parish mission will be held in the Garden Room at 7.30pm (after the evening Mass) on Wednesday May 7th. Some of the COLW sisters will be joining us to answer any questions that may have arisen following the mission. If you are unable to attend the meeting, please send any questions, comments or ideas to Fr David.

Marriage Celebration Mass: Bishop Peter invites all married couples in the Diocese to attend the annual Marriage Celebration Mass on Saturday 14th June at 11.30am at the Cathedral of St John the Baptist in Norwich. All are welcome! Those who are celebrating significant anniversaries (one year, five years and every multiple of five years thereafter, until 60 years where we celebrate each year thereafter) will receive a certificate from the Bishop. Refreshments will follow the Mass. For more details and if you would like to register please go to: <https://www.rcdea.org.uk/marriage-mass-registration/> Please direct all questions to the Marriage and Family Life Coordinator: mfcoordinator@rcdea.org.uk

Ignite Festival - Help Needed: We already have over 300 young people coming to the Ignite Festival (held in Bury St. Edmunds) and bookings are still open! As numbers are higher than we were expecting, we are appealing for people to help with night stewarding, through the night (or some of it) on 3rd and 4th May. You need to have a DBS done by the Diocese of East Anglia or a Catholic School in East Anglia. Please email Hamish on dys@rcdea.org.uk if you are interested in serving our young people in this way. Many thanks.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: Monday May 5th. See the poster in the porch or Garden Room for more details.

Called to Mission? Leaving school or university in the summer and deciding what to do next? In between jobs, or would like to do something 'different'? The Diocesan Youth Service is looking for people aged 18-30 to join the Ignite Team, sharing the Gospel Message with young people. These are full-time positions initially for 12 months with training, food, accommodation and a monthly allowance provided. For more information see www.rcdea.org.uk/youth

Diocesan Safeguarding: New appointments have been made since the Year Book was published so every parish has been asked to include details in their newsletter so that everyone has the most up-to-date information. Please keep these details somewhere safe in case you need them. Safeguarding Coordinator: Liam Sainsbury, Tel 07931952626, safeguarding.coordinator@rcdea.org.uk, liam.sainsbury@rcdea.org.uk. Safeguarding Administrator: Donna Wright, Tel 07931952628, safeguarding.administrator@rcdea.org.uk, donna.wright@rcdea.org.uk.

The UCM: Lunch on Tuesday 6th May at the Deep Blue (Fish & Chips Restaurant), Drayton High Road @ 12:00pm. If you would like to join us, can you please put your name down on the list in the porch? Date for your diary: 21st June - Strawberry Tea in the Garden Room from 2pm to 4pm. Tickets £5 (on sale end of May) in aid of our charity – Samaritan's Purse.

Youth Meeting: The next meeting of our lively youth group (teenage years, give or take a couple of years) will take place in the Garden Room on Thursday April 24th, 6.00-7.30pm. We hope to have members of the diocesan Ignite team to lead this session.

International Lunch: Sunday May 4th, after the 10.30am Mass. Please bring some food representing your country, or part of the country, to the Garden Room and enjoy a varied lunch with other parishioners.

The Friends of St Augustine's (FOSA) are going to be holding a summer fete this year on **Saturday 5th July** between 12-4pm. It would be amazing for members of the parish to come along to the event too!

Also, if any parishioners would like to volunteer to help at the event. This could be making teas and coffee or helping on a stall etc., please contact Sarah Bird FOSA Chair on thompsonsarah1989@gmail.com

He has Risen,
Have faith in Him
And He will always
be there for you

Items for the newsletter may be left at the presbytery (marked clearly "for newsletter" along with the date, and your name), or email newsletter@stwalstans.com. For all forms of communication, please provide a telephone number on which you can be contacted. The deadline for items to be included in the newsletter is Wednesday 6pm.