



## Our Lady Queen of Heaven Church

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### Fourth 'Good Shepherd' Sunday of Easter

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**20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> April 2024**

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Dear Friends,

Today's Gospel (John Chapter 10) presents Jesus as "the good shepherd who lays down his life for his sheep" is contrasted to the hired man who runs away as soon as trouble appears. In the countryside that Jesus belonged to, the sight of shepherds and sheep was common. Indeed, the Christmas story is often told in the context "that shepherds watched their flocks by night...and angels sang..." Now at the end of the same story, Jesus himself would remind his hearers that there are two kinds of shepherds, the ones who care for and protect the sheep like any good parent would guide, help, form and love their children and the shepherd that is selfish and could not put themselves out. I am reminded of the heroism of parents who would go to any lengths to ensure their children's safety, even to forgetting about their own comfort and freedom. It is humbling to think that this analogy works in family life now as well as then. We need to remind ourselves of that when we hear the word Gaza and other troubled places at this time.

- ❖ Thank you for your generous contribution of £1101.14 to the Ocean Stars appeal last week for the children of Sri Lanka that they support.
- ❖ It was a great joy to meet up with Terri and Dave Page – they send their best wishes. Thanks Mary and Anne.

*Finally: Teacher: "Now that you know how to measure length, can anyone tell me the name of something you can buy by the metre?"*

*Jimmy raised his hand: "Please Miss... gas."*

God bless you all,

Fr John

#### **Please pray for all those who have died recently:**

Sita Denby Atkinson, Neil Flanigan, Donal McCarthy

*May they rest in peace.*

#### **Please pray for all those who are sick at this time:**

Marie Bellizzi, Margaret Bishop, Veronica Brown, Josie Cash, Anthony Cheah, Cathy Cowan, Eddie Cummins, Sue Cummins, Maggie Duncan, Belen Dunlop, Annie Faghihi, Desmond Fleming, Leo Gibson, Maureen Harker, Paul Harker, Michele Haygreen, Mary Higton, Irene Hole, Jim Hollis, Alan Jenkins, Ian Joseph, Mary Kearney, Shirley Livera, Anne MacKenzie, Georgia Mackinlay, Luz Martin, Miriam McDonnell, Helen McLachlan, Patricia McMahan, Joyce Monserrat, Maura Morris, Adrei Penkov, Valeria Penkova, Aurora Ramirez, Donal Reidy, Jennifer Rolfe, Moira Sced, Sherry Small, Ralph and Pauline Smith, Godelieve Vandersloten, Jean Watkins, Deborah Wright

and all those named on the noticeboard in Our Lady's Shrine.

*May they find consolation in their suffering.*

### Mass Intentions

Sat 20 <sup>th</sup> Apr	6.00pm	Michael and Neville Lowe RIP (Ian and Jane Lowe Ferguson) James May II (Tony and Bernadette Proud)
Sun 21 <sup>st</sup> Apr	8.30am 10.30am	Gordon McKeown RIP (Josie Johnston) All parishioners Ajit Michael Sandrasagra RIP (Josephine) Peter Dormido RIP (Anniv.) and Edgar Azores RIP (Phoebe and Arnold)
Mon 22 <sup>nd</sup> Apr	5.30pm 7.30pm	Andy Hoolan RIP (Paul Hoolan) Liturgy of the Word and Eucharist
Tue 23 <sup>rd</sup> Apr	10.00am	For our political leaders on the national feast day
Wed 24 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10.00am	All parishioners
Thu 25 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10.00am	Holy Souls
Fri 26 <sup>th</sup> Apr	10.00am	All who volunteer their time and knowledge
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> Apr	6.00pm	Antony Sinto (Thanksgiving) Len Williams RIP (Anne Hodges)
Sun 28 <sup>th</sup> Apr	8.30am 10.30am 5.30pm	Edgar Azores RIP and Peter Dormido RIP (Jeanet Shepherd) Madalena Gois RIP (2 <sup>nd</sup> anniv.) (Madalena Moore) Anthony Doyle RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> anniv.) (Family) Sijo and Priya's intentions (Sijo Stephen)

#### Retiring Collections

27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup> Apr	Mary's Meals
4 <sup>th</sup> /5 <sup>th</sup> May	Parish Charities Fund Third World and Charities
18 <sup>th</sup> /19 <sup>th</sup> May	Education of Future Priests

#### Collections for Weekend 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Offertory Collection	£570.79
Gift Aid Collection	£70.00
Standing Orders (Weekly Average)	£1192.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>£1832.79</b>
<i>Ocean Stars</i>	<i>£1101.14</i>

The May edition of the *Bible Alive* (£1 each) and *Day By Day* (50p per copy) are now in the porch.

**Parish Grandparents' Group** – the next meeting is after 10am Mass on Wed. 24<sup>th</sup> April in the hall.

#### Parishioner's Book Is Published!

Phil McDonnell's (a parishioner) new book, *23 Years in the Irish Guards* is now on sale on the internet. It can also be bought and read as an eBook. Phil has secured a few copies if anyone wishes to purchase from him at £12. The net price for his book is £18.99p, the eBook version is under £6. If interested in buying a copy, please contact Phil on 01276 684281.

#### He Is With Me

*A benefit concert to raise awareness and support for Connect Counselling, Camberley. Taking place at 5pm on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> April at St Michael's Church, Camberley, GU15 3JP. Faith Alive Vocal Group present a reflective and uplifting concert of spiritual music spanning from Tallis to Gospel. Free admission with collection. All proceeds go to Connect.*

### Volunteering Opportunities

#### Parish Toddler Group

We would like to restart our parish's toddler group. However, in order for this to be possible, we need volunteers to run it. If you have a couple of hours to spare once a month on a Wednesday morning to do this then please contact Diana by emailing [diana.apple.uk@gmail.com](mailto:diana.apple.uk@gmail.com) or phoning 07599 263305. Please kindly note that all volunteers will be required to have a DBS check.

#### Marriage Care Volunteers Needed

Marriage Care is a Catholic organisation specialising in relationship support. We are looking for marriage preparation course facilitators to prepare couples for the sacrament of marriage (full training is provided for this role), qualified relationship counsellors to support couples in distress and trustees to provide governance and strategic direction for the organisation. For more information please visit: [www.marriagecare.org.uk](http://www.marriagecare.org.uk) or email: [volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk](mailto:volunteer@marriagecare.org.uk)