



THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

04 May 2025

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Our Lady Immaculate RC Church, Tolworth

Encountering the forgiving Lord

After Jesus' crucifixion and death, the apostles feared about what would happen to them. They slowly disappeared from the community to do something else. Today we hear how Peter and others had gone back fishing (Jn 21:3). The risen Lord appeared to them there and intervened by giving them a great catch after a whole night of struggling in vain. The evangelist even gives the number of the fish caught, one hundred and fifty-three of them. They realised that He was the Lord. Jesus uses the same event to interrogate Peter three times whether he loves him. Peter responded in the affirmative and Jesus gave him the responsibility of feeding his sheep (Jn 21:15-17). These three times remind us of the three times he denied him (Jn 18:18). The past sin is forgiven and he is reinstated as a shepherd of the flock. The final command to Peter is "follow me" (Jn 21:19).

The risen Lord is present everywhere without limitations and has power over every activity (He is almighty). He thus appears to his disciples anywhere He wishes. This challenges us to believe in the Lord's perpetual presence in every situation of our life. Peter's leadership role is to the various categories of believers making up the Universal Church which are symbolised by the many fish caught without the net tearing (at that time they held 153 to be the species of fish available). We all share in that leadership role starting from our domestic church (the family), the parish and other levels. How do we represent and serve the risen Lord in our leadership? At this time, let us also join the Universal Church in praying for another successor of Peter after Pope Francis' passing.

Fr Bonaventure.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 04 MAY 2025 — 11 MAY 2025

- Sat 03** 18.30: Rajani Reginald
- Sun 04** 09.00: Valerian Miranda - RIP
11.00: McGuinness & Byrne Families- RIP (*J McGuinness*)
18.00: People of the Parish
- Mon 05** 09.30: Michael Connolly - RIP (*L Lewis*)
- Tues 06** 09.30: Private Intention
19.00: Therese Walker—Recovery (*OLI Parish*)
- Wed 07** 09.30: Philip Reginald - RIP (*M Sebastian*)
19.00: Holy Souls
- Thurs 08** 07.00: Holy Souls
09.30: Michael Connolly - RIP (*D Kidd*)
- Fri 09** 07.00: Holy Souls
09.30: Lourdes D'Souza—Recovery (*C Stevens*)
- Sat 10** 09.00: Pauline Woods - RIP (*M Tett*)
- Sat 10** 18.30: Maria Pinto - RIP, 3rd Month Ann (*A Jasper*)
- Sun 11** 09.00: Sandra Boland - RIP (*C Blair*)
11.00: Eamon Barry - Recovery (*Stevens Family*)
18.00: Margaret & Peter Crawford - RIP (*FM*)

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially John Bredl (One of our Volunteer Parish Cash Counters), Pauline Woods and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Pauline Ferrara, Thomas Haley, Frances Cox, George Trutwein, Mary Ryan, Rita Reginald, Sarah Mills, Thomas O'Connor, Ian Beard, Anita Smith, Tony Cook, Kathleen McGuinness, Nan Healy, Samar Staussi, Joan Frost, Shirlene A, Hazel D'Aguiar, Allan Cook, Claire Pender, Wendy Cook, Kathleen O'Connell, Tim Ryan, Ralph Smallwood, Elizabeth Jones, Nivetheni Robert, Gerry Hague, Mark Draper, Adam Martin, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Andy Moolman, Qiaochen Shi, Ida Rebello, Jisha Nelson, Vinitha Sherin, Ravenna Ahmed, Lionel Holland, Peter & Phil Tull, Julie Bria, June Munk, Jim Maynard & Margaret Radford

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:
MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:
OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:
SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM
SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm
TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass
FIRST FRIDAY - of the month

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to 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, (*And, striking their breast, they say:*) 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. **Amen**

GLORIA: Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. 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 God the Father. **Amen.**

Opening Prayer:

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

First reading

Acts 5:27b-32, 40b-41

In those days: The high priest questioned the Apostles, saying, 'We strictly charged you not to teach in this name, yet here you have filled Jerusalem with your teaching, and you intend to bring this man's blood upon us.' But Peter and the Apostles answered, 'We must obey God rather than men. The God of our fathers raised Jesus, whom you killed by hanging him on a tree. God exalted him at his right hand as Leader and Saviour, to give repentance to Israel and forgiveness of sins. And we are witnesses to these things, and so is the Holy Spirit, whom God has given to those who obey him.'

Having called in the Apostles, the council beat them and charged them not to speak in the name of Jesus, and let them go. Then they left the presence of the council, rejoicing that they were counted worthy to suffer dishonour for the name.

Reader: The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: 30(29):2, 4. 5-6. 11, 12a, 13b. R2a

I will extol you, LORD, for you have raised me up.

I will extol you, LORD, for you have raised me up, and have not let my enemies rejoice over me. O LORD, you have lifted up my soul from Sheol, restored me to life from those who sink into the pit. **R**

Cf. Ps 65: 1-2

Sing psalms to the LORD, you faithful ones; give thanks to his holy name. His anger lasts a moment; his favour all through life. At night come tears, but dawn brings joy. **R**

Hear, O LORD, and have mercy on me; be my helper, O LORD. You have changed my mourning into dancing. O LORD my God, I will thank you for ever. **R**

Second reading

Revelation 5:11-14

I, John looked, and I heard around the throne and the living creatures and the elders the voice of many angels, numbering myriads of myriads and thousands of thousands, saying with a loud voice, 'Worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and wealth and wisdom and might and honour and glory and blessing!' And I heard every creature in heaven and on earth and under the earth and in the sea, and all that is in them, saying, 'To him who sits on the throne and to the Lamb be blessing and honour and glory and might for ever and ever!' And the four living creatures said, 'Amen!' and the elders fell down and worshipped.

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Gospel Acclamation

cf. Lk 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia. Christ is risen, who created all things and has shown compassion on the human race. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 21:1-19

At that time: Jesus revealed himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias, and he revealed himself in this way. Simon Peter, Thomas (called the Twin), Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said to them, 'I am going fishing.' They said to him, 'We will go with you.' They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing.

Just as day was breaking, Jesus stood on the shore; yet the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, 'Children, do you have any fish?' They answered him, 'No.' He said to them, 'Cast the net on the right side of the boat, and you will find some.' So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in, because of the quantity of fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved therefore said to Peter, 'It is the Lord!' When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on his outer garment, for he was stripped for work, and threw himself into the sea. The other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, but about a hundred metres off.

When they got out on land, they saw a charcoal fire in place, with fish laid out on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, 'Bring some of the fish that you have just caught.' So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them. And although there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' Now none of the disciples dared ask him, 'Who are you?' They knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and so with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus was revealed to the disciples after he was raised from the dead.

When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me more than

these?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Feed my lambs.' He said to him a second time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' He said to him, 'Yes, Lord; you know that I love you.' He said to him, 'Tend my sheep.' He said to him the third time, 'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, 'Do you love me?' and he said to him, 'Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you.' Jesus said to him, 'Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you used to dress yourself and walk wherever you wanted, but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will dress you and carry you where you do not want to go.' (This he said to show by what kind of death he was to glorify God.) And after saying this he said to him, 'Follow me.'

Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENE CREED:

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. *(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow)* For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen**

Prayer over the Offerings:

Receive, O Lord, we pray, these offerings of your exultant Church, and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness, grant also that the gifts we bring may bear fruit in perpetual happiness. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon

Lk 24: 35

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion:

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord, and grant, we pray, that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries may attain in their flesh the incorruptible glory of the resurrection. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen**

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

PENTECOST 2025: Dearly Beloved Parishioners, I will like to use this opportunity to invite everyone for our Pentecost preparation in Our Lady Immaculate, Tolworth and our Parish day. Pentecost is the feast of the Holy

Spirit and it will be on Sunday, 8th June at the 11am Mass. It marks the beginning of the Church and celebrates the many communities of OLI. The Mass will be celebrated in the different languages that are in our Parish, both readings and hymns. Every Parishioner, including the Priests, would be invited to dress in their cultural attire. The different communities that use the Parish facilities such as OLI primary school, Noah's ark, Syro-Malabar, Iraqi community are invited to participate in the Mass. There will be a Parish day of refreshment and it is free. Elspeth Casey and Winnie Grove have been appointed as our Lead persons for this.

ALL THIS WEEKEND MASSES CELEBRATE THE LIFE OF LATE POPE FRANCIS. MAY HIS SOUL REST IN PEACE. PLEASE, PRAY FOR THE CHURCH AS WE ELECT A NEW POPE

SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND - PRIESTS TRAINING FUND: This collection helps to meet the cost of training students for the priesthood and the permanent Diaconate & ongoing formation for Priests.

WRONG DATES - 2ND COLLECTION GIFT AID ENVELOPES: It has come to our attention that the dates printed on the GA Envelopes for the second collections are wrong. Please ignore the dates printed on the envelopes and go by the collection names instead.

LOST PROPERTY: Please collect your lost property from the shelves outside the toilet or from the RDJ room on the weekend of 17th & 18th May. Any left over property after this date will be donated to charity. Thank you.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY: This Sunday is Safeguarding Sunday and is a reminder of our duty of care to the children, young people and the vulnerable adults in our Parish. For more information please see the noticeboard in the Narthex.

PAST ANNOUNCEMENTS

VOLUNTEERS TO BE MASS MANAGERS ARE NEEDED IN ALL OUR WEEKEND MASSES. The work of a Mass Manager will be to coordinate every activity during the Mass to ensure the smooth running of that particular Mass. Please, if you are interested, there are forms at the back of the Church or speak to Fr. Michael.

WE ARE BLESSED TO WELCOME THE NATIONAL PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA AND THE RELICS OF THE FATIMA VISIONARIES ST JACINTA AND ST FRANCISCO TO OUR PARISH ON SAT 24TH AND SUN 25TH OF MAY 2025. Come and join us in honouring Our Lady through prayer, reflection, and thanksgiving. Spread the word to family, friends, and neighbours. Please check at Narthex for the program details.

VOLUNTEER, FIRE MARSHALLS - Are needed for all Masses. Ideally at least one or two people from each **Parish Group.** Please consider volunteering for this important role. A training session of an hour and a half will take place on **Mon 2nd June at 7.00pm.** If you are interested contact Denise at the Parish Office. Thank you.

SECOND COLLECTION THIS WEEKEND - PARISH DEVELOPMENT FUND (PDF):

This second collection is to assist the parish to save and pay for major projects and minor repairs. The maintenance and development of the parish is costing a lot of money and we are struggling financially to keep up. Thank you, as always, for your generosity.

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

LENTEN PROJECT 2025 EVENTS

Thank You – South Indian Cultural Night

A heartfelt thank you to the entire OLI Parish community for turning up in such large numbers and making the South Indian Cultural Night a truly special evening. Your presence brought energy, joy, and a deep sense of togetherness.

A special thanks to the Syro-Malabar Catholic Community for treating us to a vibrant and memorable night filled with music, dance, performances, and delicious delicacies. The event had a wonderful atmosphere—full of laughter, interaction, and a rich community spirit. We are also delighted to share that the evening raised a significant amount for the Lenten Project. Well done, and thank you to everyone who helped make it happen!

Sri Lankan Cultural Night – Saturday 10 May | 7:30–10:30 PM:

OLI Parish Hall, KT6 7DG Join us for a joyful celebra-

tion of Sri Lankan culture, featuring authentic cuisine, traditional performances, and warm community spirit—all in support of the OLI Lenten Project.

This is a wonderful opportunity to experience Sri Lanka's vibrant food, music, and dance—and to connect with friends old and new across our parish. Tickets:

£15 adults | £10 children (ages 7–12) | Children under 7 –

FREE To help us plan catering accurately, tickets will not be available at the door. Tickets can be booked in advance online with the QR code above: Or directly via Joe & Antoinette on 07956 891504



Lenten Project Box Return – 10 & 11 May: We'll be collecting Lenten Project Boxes at all Masses on Saturday 10th and Sunday 11th May. Please remember to bring your box along to Mass - hopefully filled with a generous gift in support of our 2025 appeal!

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

LAST WEEKEND

Gift-aid: £353.77

Non-Gift-aid: £916.25

Total: £1,270.02

2nd Collection: £362.78

Thank you for your generosity to your parish.

Please make **cheques** payable to: *RCAS Tolworth*

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking:

RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05

IMPORTANT: Please include your Gift Aid number in your online instruction to your bank. Non-Gift Aid donors, please include the letters NGA. Any queries? Please contact Lance Louis: tol-

Jumble Sale – Saturday 17 May

Our popular Parish Jumble Sale is fast approaching, and we're now collecting good quality, resellable items at the presbytery. These sales thrive on your generosity—and it's the variety and value of items that keep people coming back! Please bring along your pre-loved treasures—things you no longer need but someone else will. Let's all get behind this and clear out our cupboards for a great cause.

OBITUARIES

JOHN BREDL: Please kindly pray for John Bredl who passed away suddenly on 23rd April. Kindly keep Theresa and family in your prayers. Thank you

PAULINE WOODS: Sadly passed away suddenly and buried in Ireland recently. Please keep Michael and family in your prayers. Thank you

After the Great Britain Beer Festival, in London, all the brewery presidents decided to go out for a beer. The guy from Corona sits down and says, "Hey Senor, I would like the world's best beer, a Corona." The bartender dusts off a bottle from the shelf and gives it to him. The guy from Budweiser says, "I'd like the best beer in the world, give me 'The King of Beers', a Budweiser." The bartender gives him one. The guy from Coors says, "I'd like the only beer made with Rocky Mountain spring water, give me a Coors." He gets it. The guy from Guinness sits down and says, "Give me a Coke." The bartender is a little taken aback, but gives him what he ordered. The other brewery presidents looked over at him and asked "Why aren't you drinking a Guinness?" and the Guinness president replies, "Well, I figured if you guys aren't drinking beer or lager, neither would I."

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THOMAS	NATHANAE	CANA	GALILEE
ZEBEDEE	BOAT	NET	STARBOARD
FISH	CLOAK	WATER	FIRE

