

Parish Centre Cleaning week commencing 14th April

Jo McCallig

Church Cleaning this week

Bernardine Bridges & Richard Fennelly

Last Sundays Collection

Envelopes: £326.70 Loose: £264.74 Standing Orders: £456

Money Counting Team No 3 this week

Eucharistic Ministers for 21st April 2019

<i>Easter Vigil Saturday</i>	Tina Cipolla	Mary Hallett
	Carmel Chapman	Jean McAleer
<i>Sunday</i>	Fiona Bancroft	Diana Alderman
8.30 am	Jean McAleer	Lois Smith
10.30 am	Ewelina D'Cruz	Geraldine Cullen
	Alan Chapman	Jan Woodford

Readers Rota for 21st April 2019

<i>Easter Vigil Saturday</i>	Please refer to separate rota.
<i>Sunday</i>	
8.30 am	
10.30 am	

Newsletter Items

Items for inclusion in our parish *Newsletter* need to be at the Parish Office in writing or e-mail by 9.00 am Wednesday with your name and Phone No. Thank you.

Registration forms for all parishioners If you have recently moved to our parish then please obtain a form, from the parish office. If you live & worship in our parish it is essential to be registered if you wish us to be able to support you in your pastoral needs.

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Abandonment and Salvation

Jesus came triumphantly into Jerusalem, but he knew what faced him. The death would be terrible, and the suffering that would accompany it would be searing.

Worst of all would be the pain of abandonment. Jesus would die abandoned by everyone. His friends and disciples would run away and leave him alone.

From among his very best friends, one would turn him over to the authorities and another would deny knowing him. Jesus' experience of abandonment even seemed to extend to his Father: "My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?"

In dying his lonely death on the cross, Jesus brought salvation to all those who are abandoned by others: the poor, the homeless, the unemployed, the lonely elderly, those suffering from communicable diseases, the hungry, political prisoners, prostitutes, those on death row.

Jesus died and rose that they might be liberated from their abandonment. "Your attitude must be Christ's," we are told by St. Paul. We must empty ourselves and take the form of slaves on behalf of those who are abandoned by the world.

The ultimate injustice is for a person or group to be treated actively or abandoned passively as if they were non-members of the human race. To treat people this way is effectively to say that they simply do not count as human beings.

*U.S. Bishops, Economic Justice for All, 1986: 77
Gerald Darring*

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Readings for today - Mass Book page 184

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4-7

Psalm Response: My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel Acclamation: Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!
Christ was humbler yet, even to accepting death,
death on a cross. But God raised him high and
gave him the name which is above all names.
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Gospel: Luke 22:14-23:56

Times of Services this week

Monday	15th	10.00 am	Mass here in Church
		7.30 pm	Service of Reconciliation
Tuesday	16th	<u>11.00 am</u>	Mass here in Church
		11.30 am	Stations of the Cross
Wednesday	17th	10.00 am	Mass here in Church
Maundy Thursday		10.00 am	Morning Prayer of the Church
18th April		8.00 pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper
		(Followed by Watching at the Altar of Repose until Midnight)	
		11.55 pm	Night Prayer of the Church
Good Friday			
19th April		3.00 pm	Solemn Celebration of the Lord's Passion
		7.30 pm	Prayer around the Cross
Holy Saturday			
20th April		10.00 am	Morning Prayer of the Church
		8.00 pm	Easter Vigil
		(Please note that there is no 6.30 pm Mass this evening)	
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Other Events

Reconciliation Before Easter Penitential Service for the parish on **Monday 15th April** at 7.30pm. Several priests will be available on this occasion. Also there is a Penitential Service at Hoddesdon on Tuesday 16th April 7.30pm. Hertford parish (01992 582019) has many extra confessions during Holy Week

Maundy Thursday Mass in keeping with the symbolism of the washing of feet of the 12 apostles, 12 people are required for the washing of feet. If you can take part, please sign your name on the list at the back of the church.

The Walk of Witness to Tudor Square on Good Friday uniting with the other Churches in the town. Do try to come. The Walk starts at Kibes Lane Car Park at 9.30am

RCIA Group will meet at 10.00am on **Saturday 20th** in the Church for a practice

Just Friends Group to meet on **Tuesday 16th** at 10.30am for coffee in the parish hall 12.30pm for lunch at the Beefeater, Ware. Please let Mary Hallett know if you are not able to attend

Union of Catholic Mothers meeting on **Wednesday 17th April** at 2.00pm in the Church for Stations of the Cross followed by preparation of Easter Votive candles in the hall.

100 Club April Winners
1st £50 David Cocquerel
2nd £30 Mary Hallett
3rd £10 Sheila Morrison
4th £5 John Harwood

5th £5 Michelle Beer

Thank you to all who take part in this fund raising activity for our church & to Tom Stapleton, who organises it. If you haven't yet collected your prize please speak to Fr. Charles after Mass or call at the parish office during the week. If you would like to join our 100 club please speak to the Parish Office.

Offertory Envelopes are ready for collection. If you haven't collected your box already please do so today, thank you.

Grounds and Gardens Volunteers required volunteers needed to maintain the gardens & lawns on a rota basis throughout the summer. Even families & non gardeners could help by just weeding & sweeping up. Please put your names forward via the parish office if you can help our parish with this.

Church Cleaning Rota the new rota is ready for collection by those who kindly give their time to clean the Church each week. Your work is greatly appreciated. Please take your copy from the Church Porch, thank you.

Parent and Toddler Group has finished for the Easter holidays and will restart on **Tuesday 23rd April**

Tea & Cake If you are retired you are warmly invited to come along on **Thursday 25th April** at 2.30 pm to the parish hall. There will be tea/coffee & cakes to be enjoyed as well as optional activities. Please do come along and join us. If anyone needs a lift please call the parish office with details

Parish Office please note the office will be closed for holiday from Monday 22nd April until Monday 29th April.