



NEWSLETTER

Sunday 8th May 2022 – 4th Sunday of Easter

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

Monday to Friday
7am-7pm (except for Church cleaning)

Saturday
9am-8pm

Sunday
9am-7pm

Adoration - Monday to Friday:

Monday to Friday Mass:

Sunday Masses:

Monday to Friday Confessions:

Saturday Confessions:

7am-8am (morning prayer at 7.40am) and 1.30pm-4pm

8am (*check on website*) and 12.45pm

(Saturday 6pm Vigil); 11am, 5pm and 6pm (Spanish)

12.15-12.40pm

5.30pm-6pm

| MASS INTENTIONS <i>Week commencing Sunday 8th May 2022</i> | | | MUSIC AT THE 11AM MASS SEE SEPARATE SHEET FOR MUSIC |
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| Sunday 8 th May <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i> | 11am 5pm 6pm | Parishioners Spanish | |
| Monday 9 th May <i>Easter feria</i> | 7am-8am 8am 12.45pm | Adoration Mass Holy Souls | |
| Tuesday 10 th May <i>Easter feria</i> | 7am-8am 8am 12.45pm 7pm | Adoration Mass Phil Bawden – Sp. Int. Latin Mass | |
| Wednesday 11 th May <i>Easter feria</i> | 7am-8am 8am 12.45pm | Adoration Mass Canon Philip Cross - RIP | |
| Thursday 12 th May <i>Easter feria</i> | 7am-8am 8am 12.45pm 7pm | Adoration Mass Holy Souls Latin Mass | |
| Friday 13 th May <i>Our Lady of Fatima</i> | 7am-8am NO 8AM MASS 12.45pm | Adoration Thanksgiving for 20 years of SOS prayerline | |
| Saturday 14 th May <i>St Matthias, Apostle</i> | 6pm | Kathleen Giordano - RIP | |

EVANGELISATION NEWS

We are delighted to announce that as part of our evangelisation outreach, we will be opening our Evangelisation Centre at the back of the church hall. We are looking for volunteers who can assist us in the cafe, including baristas to man our new coffee machine. To register for the introduction or any inquiries, please contact us via:
info@stpatricksoho.org.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND 2022

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday and our second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Please continue to pray for vocations and for our priests. You can use the QR code to make your donation or visit www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.
Thank you.

URGENT NEED FOR NEW COUNTERS

Please contact the Parish Office:
info@stpatricksoho.org or Father Alexander directly.
Many thanks.

PRAYER GROUPS

Cenacolo

7pm-8pm – Monday (in the Church)

SOS Prayerline

Request for prayer answered personally by telephone:
020 7434 9211 - 7 days per week (7pm-11pm)

SOS THANKSGIVING

On Friday 13th May - The feast of Our Lady of Fatima - SOS will have marked 20 years of prayer. It is a work of prayer in the Parish whereby requests for prayer of healing, intercession and thanksgiving are received and brought before the exposed Blessed Sacrament. After 20 years, we have received now almost 100,000 calls and each of those are recorded in a book which sits next to the Blessed Sacrament. If you would like to volunteer for this service, please be in contact with the Parish office. In the meantime, please pray for its continued protection and that we may have more people to come and volunteer for this beautiful apostolic work.

REFLECTION

I have two lovely Dobermann dogs. I love them to bits and, insofar as a dog is capable of love, then they seem to be keen on me. They are certainly a very affectionate and tremendously loyal breed. They are very strong-willed, never more so than when we are outside. They may recognise my voice but certainly rarely listen. Occasionally, what I want them to do and what they want to do will coincide - but these times are few and far between. You will remember that I live in a remote part of Northumberland with sheep and rolling hills as far as the eye can see. I can observe the farmer as he goes about his pastoral chores. One thing I have noticed is that his flock certainly recognise the sound of his quad bike as he approaches with their food supplement. Like all young, the lambs have no awareness of danger, and he must be careful as he slows his bike. They all recognise him – but they recognise much more the sound of the bike.

The Gospel passage for this weekend set me thinking about my dogs, the sheep and lambs over the wall, and it set me thinking about myself and my response to God's voice. I never have any doubt that the dogs can hear me, but they don't always listen. To listen necessitates a response, 'Come here', 'lie down' 'sit'. All are delivered with great authority. I'll leave you to imagine the resulting response.

Sometimes, I come along to church and my heart can skip a beat. A beautiful floral arrangement, a moving piece of music, a scripture reading delivered with faith and conviction. Then I listen to a sermon, or I allow the words from scripture to wash over me. I find myself startled and stunned. The Word of God is asking for a response; it is asking me to challenge my comfortable way of thinking, my secure and reassuring lifestyle. We know which way we should respond, but like a wayward puppy that decides to ignore the call, we spend just a little longer chasing the rabbit, we choose to ignore His 'voice'. We recognise Jesus and the importance of his teaching, but we sometimes opt not to listen to that voice. Only we know the answer – but it's the question none of us can avoid.