# St Monica's Catholic Church

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Under the care of the Augustinians (www.theaugustinians.org) in the Archdiocese of Westminster

Mass Times: Saturday 6.30pm (Vigil) Sunday 9.00, 11.00am (with children Liturgy, 1st Sunday only) and 7.00pm Mass Times: Mon to Sat 9.30am (Morning Prayer 9.10am); Wed 7pm; 1st Friday 7pm (Mass and Healing prayers with the

Blessed Sacrament); Holy Days (Vigil 7pm) 9.30am, 7pm; Bank Holiday 11am CONFESSIONS: Saturdays 5.00 – 6pm, and on request

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Tuesday – Thursday 10.00am – 3.00pm, Friday 10.00am - 12.00noon If you are new to the parish, you may like to register by filling in a Parish Registration Form

# THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT Year A

29th March 2020

Christ Breathes Into Us His Living Spirit
Today we open ourselves to Christ's life-giving Spirit.
We pray too for those who are to be given the new
life of the Spirit in baptism this Easter

(5<sup>th</sup> April 2020) PALM SUNDAY YEAR A

> Isaiah 50:4-7 Psalm 21

Letter of St Paul to the Philippians 2:6-11

Mathew 21:1-11

# PRAYER GATHERINGS IN THE WEEK

Shalom community starting online prayer group every Saturday at 4pm. For more information, contact: 07432501250

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Sunday	9.00am	Souls of all orphans -ints
Monday	9.00am	Souls of all orphans -ints
Tuesday	9.00am	Souls of all orphans- ints
Wednesday	9.00am	Maria Nghiem - ints
Thursday	9.00am	Le Family - ints
Friday	9.00am	Souls of all orphans -ints

Saturday 9.00am John Peggey & Margaret Hehir -RIP

# **PARISH NOTICES**

LENTEN ALMS/CARDINAL APPEAL – to support the Cardinal's Fund for various projects in the Diocese: evangelization, youth, marriage preparation and support, help for the poorest and marginalized. Please make your donation via www.CardinalsLentenAppeal.org.uk

# Palm Sunday- next Sunday 4 April

\*All Masses are closed to the public until further notice.

\*Masses will be celebrated every day at 9am by the Priest ONLY until further notice.

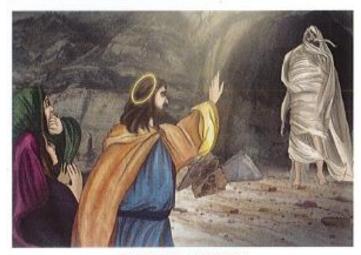
> \*Join the Mass through Facebook Live on our Parish page: St Monica Catholic Church Hoxton London

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\*Please maintain good hygiene and be prayerful always.

St Monica...pray for us!



#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

#### COLLECT

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

#### FIRST READING

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel.

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live. 37: 12-14

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this - it is the Lord who speaks.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps. 129

#### With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

- Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord, Lord, hear my voice! O let your ears be attentive to the voice of my pleading. R.
- 2 If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt, Lord, who would survive? But with you is found forgiveness: for this we revere you. R.
- 3 My soul is waiting for the Lord, I count on his word. My soul is longing for the Lord more than watchmen for daybreak. (Let the watchman count on daybreak and Israel on the Lord.) R.
- 4 Because with the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption, Israel indeed he will redeem from all its iniquity. R.

#### SECOND READING

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans.

The Spirit of him who vaised Jesus from the dead is living in you. 8: 8-11 People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

# GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Glory and praise to you, O Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die. Glory and praise to you, O Christ!

> GOSPEL (Shorter form)

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Glory to you, O Lord.

I am the resurrection and the life 11: 3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus. 'Lord, the man you love is ill. On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will not end in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.

Jesus Joved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he learned that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before

he saying to his disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'
On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. Bethany is only about two miles from Jerusalem, and many Jews had come to Martha and Mary to sympathise with them over their brother. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you." 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again. 'Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day." Jesus said:

I am the resurrection and the life.

If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die.

Do you believe this?'

'Yes Lord,' she said, 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?" They said, 'Lord, come and see!' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could be not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him 'Lord by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, "Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?" So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me,

for the sake of those who stand round me,

so that they may believe that it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

# PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Hear us, almighty God, and, having instilled in your servants the teachings of the Christian faith, graciously purify them by the working of this sacrifice. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Everyone who lives and believes in me Will not die for ever, says the Lord.

# PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

We pray, almighty God, that we may always be counted among the members of Christ, in whose Body and Blood we have communion. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen.