

PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY - THANET



HE IS RISEN

Sunday 31st March EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RES-SURECTION OF THE LORD

Mass 8:30am James Bailey, RIP

Mass 10:30am Ray Moran, RIP

Wednesday 3rd April Octave of Easter

> Mass 10am Lucy Casey, RIP

Thursday 4th April Octave of Easter

Mass 7:15am Charles, Sarah, Harald, Gabriella, Sven & Lloyd - Wellbeing

> Friday 5th April Octave of Easter

Mass 10am Anthony Foster, RIP

We Are Easter People

Filled with awe and great joy the women came quickly away from the tomb and ran to tell the disciples. And there, coming to meet them, was Jesus. 'Greetings' he said. And the women came up to him and, falling down before him, clasped his feet. Then Jesus said to them, 'Do not be afraid; go and tell my brothers that they must leave for Galilee; they will see me there' (Matthew 28:8-10).

In the morning of the Resurrection, in those quiet moments before dawn, the women experience this profound joy upon seeing the risen Jesus.

He is alive!! We serve a living God! We are Easter people, and 'Alleluia' is our song. Jesus tells the women, 'Do not be afraid.' These words of Jesus should give us hope in the midst of whatever turbulence our world and us may be facing at this time.

Sadly, the war in the land that first witnessed the Resurrection persists, plus wars in Ukraine and Sudan. In all these, let us trust that the power of

the resurrection breaks every chain. In our hope, like the women, may our lives be filled with peace and joy.

We congratulate Farrah McDonagh on her Baptism at the Easter Vigil. Also together with Laura Wilson, received their First Holy Communion and Confirmation. Let us keep them in our prayers as well as John Nelson who will be received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church and Confirmed on the Third Sunday of Easter.

I wish you an Easter filled with joy, and may its fruits abound throughout the year. Yours in Christ,

Fr. Joe Owusu-Ansah.

Alpha Launch Event - Thursday, 23rd May

Our next in-person Alpha is here again. A great opportunity for people to explore the deeper questions of life and the Christian faith.

On Thursday, 23rd May at 7.15pm in the hall, we will have a launch event for people to just come and see if they would like to come on this journey for the following 10 weeks.

It will be fun and friendly. Come along and invite family and friends.

There are some flyers which also serve as invitations at the back of the church.

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Saturday 6th April SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Vigil 6pm Sonny & Marion O'Sullivan

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass 10.30am *Fergus Barry, RIP*

Wednesday 10th April Feria

Mass 10am Peter Carter, RIP

<u>Thursday 11th April</u>

St Stanislaus, Bishop & Martyr, Memorial

> Mass 7:15am Holy Souls

Friday 12th April Feria

Mass 10am Bill Wright, RIP

Saturday 13th April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Vigil 6pm *Mr & Mrs Mercy Matthew, RIP*

Sunday 14th April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Mass 10.30am Health & Wellbeing of The Rodrigues—Clare Family

