



Working with Deaf, Deafblind and Hard of Hearing people of all ages, to facilitate and enable them to participate fully in the life of the Church, sharing their own gifts.



April 2024
2nd Sunday of Easter
Fr Robin Ellwood

"You believe because you can see me. But the people that have not seen me and still believe, they are truly happy." Jesus' words to Thomas after the resurrection. Like Thomas, many of us have doubts but in those moments of doubt we can be sure that Jesus is with us in all aspects of our lives.

"The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad."

The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are Easter season in the church calendar, a time of celebration and renewal. Christ is risen, he is risen indeed. Let us rejoice! Alleluia!



Signs of Hope.. Do you have a problem you would like to talk to someone about confidentially?



Deaf Counselling

Do you need some support through a difficult time in your life?

Do you find it difficult to cope with life sometimes?

Maybe counselling would help.

Counselling is fully confidential, Deaf-Aware and available in BSL, SSE, Deafblind Manual Alphabet or Spoken English (mini-loop available).

Contact: Nikki Dhillon Keane email: signsofhope@rcdow.org.uk sms: 07936 939522

Vaughan House, 46 Francis Street, London SW1P 1QN

Any counsellor working for Westminster diocese is fully qualified and either BACP accredited or eligible for BACP accreditation. All counsellors would follow the BACP Code of Ethic and Practice

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Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility
If you have any safeguarding concerns please contact a member of the team

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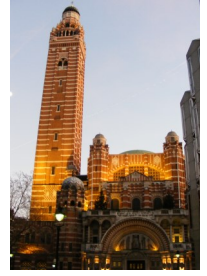


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Deaf Community Mass in Westminster Cathedral Hall

Join us on Sunday 7th April 4:30p.m.
at Westminster Cathedral Hall, Ambrosden Avenue, Victoria SW1P 1QH

Please do not come to Mass if you are not well
with something that other people might catch e.g. flu, Covid



Mass in Word and Sign Allen Hall Seminary, Beaufort Street

Sunday 14th April 4p.m.

Some of the seminarians have been learning some basic signing for conversation and for signing at Mass.

**These men are our future signing priests!
Please come and join them for a signed Mass at the Seminary.**

Mass will be celebrated by Fr Keith Stoakes, and there will be tea and coffee available afterwards.

The full address for Allen Hall is 28 Beaufort Street, London SW3 5AA. Bus numbers 11 and 22 stop just around the corner on Kings Road and on Beaufort Street itself bus numbers 19, 49, 319 and 345 stop. The nearest tube station is Sloane Square which is just over a mile away so you might want to get a bus (11 or 22) from the tube station. A ramp is available for access.

Please come and support these men as they prepare for ordination.

World Day of Prayer for Vocations, Sunday 21st April

God our Loving Father, you called me by name through the sacrament of Baptism to holiness. Through the gift of the Holy Spirit, you made me the temple of the Holy Spirit. Lord, are you calling me to be a priest, religious, consecrated, married or single? Grant me the grace to respond to the calling 'Go out to the whole world and proclaim the Good News to all the nations.' Guide me in every step I take in life and lead me in every decision I make in responding to your call. Make me and mold me into the living image of Christ your Son, who was ever close to those in need. I make this prayer through Christ our Lord, **Amen.**

Prayer From www.cbcew.org.uk/

There are other online signed Masses that you can watch. Please check on each website for full details

- Fr Paul Fletcher SJ, Jesuit Oratory, Manchester

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCPp6JYixqJsWkiCQ2OdLzhg>

or follow the Catholic Deaf Association on Facebook

- Fr Patrick Devlin, St Vincent de Paul Parish, Ligoniel Sunday at 9:55a.m.

<https://www.churchservices.tv/ligoniel>



Deaf Lunch Club
Tuesday 16th April
11 am - 3.30pm in the Hinsley Room



On the day, please SMS before 9am

Shell to let her know that you are coming so we can cater for the right number of people

Please don't come if you feel unwell or if you have any Covid symptoms



Canon Norbert Fernandes will be joining us this month.

Canon Norbert and the Deaf Service team want to learn from you all!

Today at lunch there will be an opportunity for you to tell us about your experience as a Deaf Catholic.

We have done lots of interesting and good things over the years.

We would like to do more and with the right funding we might be able to.

We need your help to get that funding. Please come and share with us your hopes and dreams for the Deaf Service.



If you cannot join us today, we still want to learn from you.

Do let Shell know if you want to be part of the discussion.



CDA Annual Walsingham Pilgrimage
Saturday 18th May 2024

Coach leaves from Victoria at 7.30am

Join us for the pilgrimage to this historic and pretty village

Bring a packed lunch

Don't forget to wear comfortable walking shoes and take some waterproofs or an umbrella in case it rains!

Pick up Point 1 (+ drop off): Westminster Cathedral, Ambrosden Avenue, London SW1P
Meet in McDonald's at 7.30am

Pick up Point 2 (+ drop off): Redbridge tube station
Meet at 8.15am

The cost for the return journey is: **£25 per adult** or **£15 per child (under 18)**

* Payments must be paid in advance and are Non-refundable*

Please note: *if you are late for the coach, we will leave without you*

The coach has a lift for anyone who cannot climb the stairs easily.
Please let us know if you need to use the lift to get on and off the coach.
We can only offer people access to the lift if you are getting on and off the coach at Victoria.



Booking Forms available now

Acts 4:32-35 1 John 5:1-6 John 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the disciples were together in the room, and the doors were closed and locked, because they were afraid of the Jewish leaders. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you.' He showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were very happy because they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, 'Peace be with you. The Father sent me, so I too send you.' Jesus breathed on them and said, 'Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive people's sins, their sins are forgiven. If you do not forgive them, their sins are not forgiven.'

One of the twelve apostles, Thomas, was not there when Jesus came. Later the disciples told him, 'We saw the Lord.' Thomas answered, 'I refuse to believe until I see the holes in his hands and touch them. I will not believe until I see the hole in his side and touch it.' Eight days later, the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were locked, but Jesus came in and stood among them. He said, 'Peace be with you.' Then Jesus spoke to Thomas, 'Look! Touch my hands. Put your hand in my side and feel it. Doubt no more, but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him, 'You believe because you can see me. But the people that have not seen me and still believe, they are truly happy.' Jesus did many other miracles and the disciples saw them. But all these other miracles are not written in this book. All the miracles included in this book are to help you to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that because you believe you will have life through his name.

Hidden in the word search are words from the Gospel reading above including one extra word See if you can find them!

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The hidden word in March was PASSOVER