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19th May 2019 ~ 5th Sunday of Easter

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

week beginning Sat 18th May 2019

- 18th Sat** **St John I, Pope & Martyr**
9.30am Colin Martin RIP
 (Vigil of Sunday)
6.00pm Michelle Quemper RIP, Bradley Forryan RIP
- 19th Sun** **5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**
8.30am David Notley RIP Anniv
10.00am People of the Parish
11.30am Regina Emmanuel RIP Anniv
- 20th Mon** St Bernadine of Siena, Priest
9.30am John Monaghan RIP
- 21st Tue** St Christopher Magallanes, Priest, and
 Companions, Martyrs
9.30am Tom & Nora Forde RIP Anniv
11.00am **Requiem Mass for Jim O'Connor RIP**
- 22nd Wed** St Rita of Cascia, Religious - *No Mass*
- 23rd Thu** Easter feria
12.30pm Aubrey Fernandes RIP
- 24th Fri** Easter feria
9.30am Kurian Thomas RIP Anniv

(Saturday morning mass as announced)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

5.15pm - 5.45pm and by appointment

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Monday 8.15am - 9.15am

First Friday 10am - 11am (concluding with Benediction)

Baptisms

First Saturday at Noon

Next Sunday's Readings:

Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Apocalypse 21:10-14, 22-23,
John 14:23-29

MARIAN ANTHEM FOR MAY

Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia;
Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia,
Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia:
Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

Queen of heaven, rejoice, alleluia.
The Son you merited to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as he said, alleluia.
Pray to God for us, alleluia.



PRAYER TO HOLY CHILD OF PRAGUE

Last week I visited the shrine of the Infant Jesus of Prague. Amidst the tourist-filled churches of that city it was an oasis of peace and prayer. I invite you to join me in the prayer of Pope Benedict XVI to the Infant Jesus of Prague which he prayed during his visit to the shrine Church of Our Lady of Victories in 2009.

O my lord Jesus, we gaze on You as a child and believe that You are the Son of God, who became Man through the working of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary.

Just as in Bethlehem, we too, adore You, with Mary, Joseph, the angels and the shepherds, and acknowledge You as our only Saviour.

You became poor to enrich us with Your poverty. Grant that we may never forget the poor and all those who suffer.

Protect our families, bless all the children of the world and grant that the love You have brought us may always reign amongst us and lead us to a happier life.

Grant, O Jesus, that all may recognize the truth of Your birth, so that all may know that You have come to bring to the whole human family light, joy and peace.

You are God, who live and reign with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, forever and ever.

Amen.

Every blessing for the week ahead.

Fr Graham

REGULAR NOTICES

Please keep the sick in your prayers. A list of sick parishioners is displayed on the noticeboard at the back of the Church.

SVP If you or your sick relative could benefit from a visit from the St Vincent de Paul Society, please ring Katherine on 020 8868 8512 or Tony on 020 8868 3205. If you would like to be visited by a priest and/or regularly with Holy Communion, please contact the parish office.

Recently deceased Diane Richardson, Josie Higgins, Bradley Forryan.

Pray also for David Notley, Regina Emmanuel, Tom & Nora Forde, Kurian Thomas, Arulamma Matthias, Aubrey Schokman, Ellen Broadrick, Ranee Saverimuttu, Mark Kevin Sundararajan, Robert Dorr, Franek Szlachta, John Plowright, Theresa Hughes, Joe O’Gorman, Joe McGrath, Aldo Minoli, Bridie White, Patrick Moloney, Frank Gallagher, Sadie Horan, Cornelius Clancy, Mary O’Shea, Augustine Texeira whose anniversaries occur at this time.

PARISH NOTICES

Confirmation Meeting There is a meeting on **Monday, 20th May** at 5.30pm. If any candidates wish to travel by coach to the Cathedral on 1st June with their family, booking forms are available from Kay this weekend.

Ordination to Sacred Priesthood of Rev. Johnpromise Umeozuru will take place on **Saturday, 20th July 2019** at 11am at St John’s Catholic Cathedral Portsmouth, Bishop Crispian Way, PO1 3HQ. We hope to arrange a coach but will need a coordinator to have oversight of this trip. Can you volunteer to take on that role? If so, please contact the parish office.

Holy Day of Obligation – Ascension of the Lord Thursday, 30th May 2019 There will be Masses at 12.30pm and 7.00pm.

Eucharistic Ministers & Readers Rotas for 18th May to 14th July 2019 are now available at www.stjohnfisheronline.org.uk. Please contact Kay if you require a paper copy.

Car Park Tidy-up On **Saturday, 8th June** 10.30am – 12 Noon in preparation for the 80th Anniversary celebrations and Bishop John Sherrington’s visit on 23rd June. Many hands make light work to fill a skip. Please book the date in your diary.

Knitting Group will meet on **Friday, 24th May, 14th & 28th June 2019** at 2pm in the Fisher Room. All welcome.

New Cleaners! Additional help is needed for one of the Thursday morning cleaning teams. If you can spare an hour, once every 4 weeks, to keep our Church clean please contact Claudia at the Presbytery or Alison Jackson (020 8427 2910 / alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com).

Pilgrimage to Walsingham On **Saturday 21st September** we will be joining the Cardinal on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Walsingham, the National Shrine to Our Lady. **Forms to complete will appear next weekend!**

St John Fisher Social Club - FAMILY POOL COMPETITION

Mums, Dads, Daughters, Sons, Aunties, Uncles and Cousins..... - Are you interested in entering an evening Pool Competition at St John Fisher Social Club? The committee would like to gauge the level of interest, from Parishioners, or friends and family of Parishioners, for a Pool Competition to be held in the Church Hall and Social Club. Please visit: <https://stjohnfisheronline.org.uk/st-john-fisher-social-events> for more details and register your interest and any preferences. Thank you for supporting your Parish. *St John Fisher Social Club Committee*

Priest Training Fund This weekend there will be a collection at all Masses in support of the Fund, which benefits us all by providing us with new priests. Please return your donation leaflets. If you do not have one there are still plenty available at the back of the Church. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

International Day at St John Fisher School – 22nd June 2019

As a Parish we take responsibility for the following stalls: Books, Cakes, Refreshments, Bottle Tombola, Irish Coffee, International Kitchen, Plants & the Gate Entrance.

All these stalls need Volunteers to help on the day. If you are free for an hour or two or all of the day please contact Claudia at the presbytery (or Alison on 020 8427 2910 / alisonjackson2000@hotmail.com). All offers of help will be much appreciated.

International Kitchen Can you cook a dish from your home and culture to share with the parish? We hope so, next week you will find sign-up sheets for the International Kitchen in the porch. This is very popular and only works with your help, so please do get involved. If anyone could spare an hour on the day to help serve in the kitchen that would be fantastic - there will be a separate sheet for this.

Calling all gardeners Once again, we will have a Plant Stall at the International Day. It would be great if you are planting seeds you could sow a few extra, or maybe you could take some cuttings from garden plants/herbs to put in pots and **remember to label**, or plant up a hanging basket/patio pot.

More information about where to bring your donations nearer the day.

Parish Anniversary Celebration – 23rd June 2019

Please keep this date for your diaries. Corpus Christi procession after 12noon mass (changed from 11.30am) led by Bishop John Sherrington. Parish celebration afterwards.

DIOCESAN AND DEANERY NOTICES

‘Rediscovering the Holy Spirit through Scripture’ presented by Brian Purfield from the Jesuit Study Centre. A series of 4 talks, to delve deeper into the Scriptures and rediscover the identity of the Holy Spirit, 4th – 25th June, 7.30pm at Our Lady & St Thomas of Canterbury, Harrow-on-the-Hill, £4. Please register by emailing hollycook@rcdow.org.uk. See poster on porch noticeboard.

St Dominic’s RC Sixth Form College – Chaplain Vacancy The College is seeking to appoint an experienced individual to this important and high profile role. Full time or Term Time Only available (41 weeks), 36 hours per week. **Deadline for applications:** Friday, 24th May 2019 at 12noon. Interviews week beginning 3rd June 2019. Start date: 27th August, 2019. For more info or to arrange a conversation with the Principal and/or a visit, please see ad on porch noticeboard.

Parish Administrator – Eastcote, St Thomas More Parish An exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic and creative individual to work closely with the parish priest. Hours of work: 20 hours per week. Mon-Thu 9am-2pm. Salary: £13 per hour. **Closing date:** Monday, 3rd June 2019, Interview date: Wednesday, 12th June. For more info please see ad on porch noticeboard.

St Dominic’s Sixth Form College – Principal’s Charity Concert On Tuesday, 25th June 2019 at 6.30pm followed by BBQ in aid of MIND and Jog for Georgie. For more info please see porch noticeboard.