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THE SUNDAY 10.30AM MASS AND ALL WEEKDAY MASSES ARE USUALLY LIVESTREAMED

Date & Liturgical Celebration	Time	Mass Intentions
Sunday 18 th May 2025 5 th Sunday of Eastertide	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Theo Battershell, Continued Health (H B) Geraldine Blake, Comfort & Healing (M T)
Monday 19 th Weekday, 5 th Week of Eastertide	9.30am	Holy Souls
Tuesday 20 th Weekday 5 th Week of Eastertide	9.30am	Martin Dutko, Birthday Thanksgiving (K D)
Wednesday 21st Weekday 5th Week of Eastertide	9.30am 10.00am	Geraldine Blake, Comfort & healing (M T) Coffee Morning
Thursday 22 nd Weekday, 5 th Week of Eastertide	7.00pm	Anula Hettiarachchi, RIP Birthday Anniversary
Friday 23 rd Weekday, 5 th Week of Eastertide	9.30am	William O'Donoghue, RIP
Saturday 24 th Weekday, 5 th Week of Eastertide	10.00am	Holy Souls
Sunday 25 th May 2025 6 th Sunday of Eastertide	6.30pm (vigil) 8.30am 10.30am	Parish Community Ludwik Obara, RIP Anniversary (K O) Intention of the donor O/L Lamp: Patricia Stroud, RIP (M G)

CONFESSIONS: Saturday morning after 10am Mass, Saturday evening 6pm-6.15pm, and on request.: **ADORATION AND BENEDICTION:** Saturday morning after 10am Mass (Confessions also available)

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK: Brian Hughes, Maddie Rees, Nino Cacace, Maura O'Brien, Rick Vanderhorst.

MAY DEVOTION TO OUR LADY: The month of May is traditionally a month of devotion to Our Lady. Please join us in saying a livestreamed Rosary after the 9.30am Mass on Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and during the Saturday Adoration (after the 10am Mass). ASCENSION OF THE LORD (HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION): Thursday, 29th May, is Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and a Holy Day of Obligation. Vigil Mass on Wednesday at 7pm; Masses of the Day on Thursday at 9.30am and 7pm. RACE FOR LIFE 2025: Jan Davies is once again taking part in the Race for Life this weekend, Sunday 18th May. If anybody would

like to sponsor her, there are forms in the Porch. Sponsor money can be handed to Jan, Maggie or Margaret. Thank You.

THANK YOU: A Message from Gislinde McPherson: 'Thanks to the good weather and the help and support of many kind friends and

family, I am pleased to let you know that my NGS (National Garden Scheme) Open Days raised over £2,300 for their big charities. I thank every one of you who helped make that record sum possible'.

NEED CONFIDENCE TO SAFELY USE A COMPUTER AND THE INTERNET?: Our parish, in collaboration with *Cybervists*, is arranging a workshop for adults called "Secure Plug-in: Empowering Adults for a Connected World." This two-day event will help adult participants confidently use computers and the internet safely. It promises to be a fun and interactive experience! We encourage anyone interested to sign up by filling out the expression-of-interest form. Dates and other details will be announced later.

<u>POST FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CLASSES</u>: We are starting catechism classes for children who have received first holy communion to support their ongoing catechetical formation. Please contact Sandra Morgan (07909984283) or Marie Fouracre for more information. **AWAY NOTICE:** Fr Michael will be away from 19th May until 27th May. Thank you.

<u>VOLUNTEERS NEEDED</u>: We need volunteers to come on a rota for the Sunday 10.30am Mass tea and coffee. Please help! Sign-up sheet in the porch. Thank you.

<u>PARISH PRAYER GROUP</u>: Now meeting every other week in the Church Hall. Please join our next meeting on **Tuesday 27th May at 7pm.** All are welcome.

PARISH BIBLE STUDY ONLINE: Monday 9th June at 7pm. Text: John chapter 14. Zoom Meeting ID: 585 166 8513.

<u>HOUR OF GRACE</u>: 6pm - 7pm every other Wednesday. Led by a Dominican priest, this is a solemn moment of prayerful encounter with Jesus in the Exposition and Adoration of the Holy Eucharist. It will include an Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Silent Adoration, Talk, Worship Songs, Intercessions for Various Intentions, and Benediction. **Next on Wednesday 21st May at 6pm.**

<u>PRAYER INTENTION ENVELOPE (HOUR OF GRACE)</u>: If you would like us to pray for an intention during the Hour of Grace (Eucharistic Adoration), please collect a brown prayer intention envelope in the porch. It is NOT a Mass intention envelope. Thank you.

<u>CATHOLIC ROUND TABLE</u>: Explore Catholic teachings from a biblical background. The next meeting is on **Thursday 22nd May** at 7.30 to 8.30pm in the Parish Hall.

WE REMEMBER THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND, AND THOSE WHO HAVE ASKED FOR OUR PRAYERS: Roy Miller, Frank Bowen, Teresa Plunkett, Kath Bowling, Frances Traylor, Angela Matthews, Yvonne Richards, Bill Gill, John Mannion, Jill Griffiths, Rachael Naylor, Karolina Ashton, Andy Payne, Allan Jones, Noreen Hyden, Rita Power, Mary Richards, Pauline Howard, Elizabeth Williams, Mike Bickerstaff, Caroline Solomon, Maureen Dooley, Arthur Barragry, Angela Miller, Sarah Leaman, Cecily Hughes, Roger Eddy.

<u>THE CYCLE OF PRAYER</u>: During Eastertide we are invited to pray for Survivors of Abuse; New Members of the Church; Vocations; The Right use of the Media; the Church; Human Work.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY: For working conditions.

SUNDAY OFFERING: £946	EVANGELISATION (DOMSEC) DONATIONS:
PRIESTS TRAINING FUND: £450	Thanks to all who donate to support the work of evangelisation
Thanks for your generosity	.,

From the Parish Events Planning Team UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS (May - August 2025)				
Friday 30 May 7pm	ITALIAN EVENING (DINNER)	3-course meal + free wine (£15) Please sign up in the porch. The dinner will raise funds for a parish project		
Friday 29 August 7pm	PARISH FILM NIGHT	More information later.		
Sunday 31 August 1pm	PARISH GARDEN PARTY	More information later.		

"A new commandment I give to you, that you love one another."

John 13:34