

<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter (A)</b> Acts 6: 1-7; Ps 32; 1 Pet 2: 4-9; John 14: 1-12	
<b>Saturday 9th May 2020</b> 9:15am: Jean Sharkey RIP (H. Davies)	<b>Sunday 10th May 2020</b> 9:15am: People of the Parish
<b>Mon. 11th May 2020</b> (Feria) 9:15am: The Teachers at St. Joseph's Primary School (Schmidt) <i>Say and do everything for, and with, Jesus, Mary and Joseph!</i>	<b>Tuesday 12th May 2020</b> (Feria) <b>(Sts. Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs, St. Pancras, Martyr)</b> <b>9:15am: Michael Deen RIP</b> <b>12:00pm: Michael Deen RIP</b> Burial at St. Paulinus Cemetery
<b>Weds. 13th May 2020</b> (Feria) <b>Our Lady of Fatima</b> <b>9:15am: in Reparation for my own sins, for the sins of others, and for the Salvation of the Souls of Sinners.</b>	<b>St. Matthias, Apostle</b> <b>Thurs. 14th May 2020</b> <b>9:15am: Michael Claridge RIP</b> <b>2:00pm: Michael Claridge RIP</b> Committal at Eltham Crematorium
<b>Friday 15th May 2020</b> (Feria) 9:15am: Patricia Fernandez and Lawrence Cajetan RIP FM	<b>St. Simon Stock, Priest</b> <b>Sat. 16th May 2020</b> 9:15am: Lesley Watkins (Coward)
<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter (A)</b> Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17; Ps 65; 1 Pet 3: 15-18; John 14: 15-21	
<b>Saturday 16th May 2020</b> No evening Holy Mass	<b>Sunday 17th May 2020</b> 9:15am: People of the Parish

**Please, if you can, THIS MAY, PRAY THE ROSARY** in the Family  
EVERYDAY: for Peace, and an end of the Wuhan / Corona Virus.  
**The Rosary gives Our Lady, Mary Our Mother, A CROWN OF ROSES.**  
The Italian for the "ROSARY" is "CORONA", which is "CROWN"!

**Anniversaries of Death**

Harry Freeman, Eleanor Callen, Alfred Nutt, Henry Larner, P. J. Bonyng, Alice Morgan, Gary Cod, Nancy Lester, Stanley Simes, Mariane Wilkins, Roisin McClinton, David McConville

**Christ is our, and 'the one and only' "Way, the Truth and the Life" ...  
no-one can come to God the Father except through Him (see John 14).**

Because of what **Jesus Christ** has done for us, we have become **"a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God."** God has poured out all these gifts on us through **the Holy Spirit**. We are to devote ourselves to proclaiming **the Word of God revealed in Christ**, and to **trust that Christ always has a special love and care for each one of us - personally.**



In this ongoing time of pandemic and "lockdown" Fr David intends to offer **Holy Mass every day**, without a congregation, sadly, **about 9.15am**, hopefully, followed by a **Holy Hour**, or two, and with the intention of **Blessing of the Whole Parish with Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.**

Confessions may be heard by appointment, on request. Please 'phone or Email to arrange a reasonable time.

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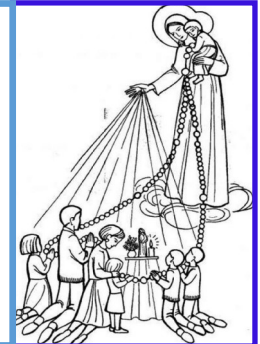
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IN MARY'S MONTH OF MAY - Month of THE HOLY ROSARY. Please pray the **FAMILY ROSARY EVERYDAY** in REPARATION, for CONVERSION, for PEACE and an end to the Virus ...



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**PLEASE PRAY the ROSARY every day, with Mary, our Mother**  
 for **everyone's Conversion to God** and **Peace in the World**, and for  
 freedom from the Covid-19 / Wuhan Virus, and for **support of the N. H. S.**  
 If you are already offering a **daily Rosary**, please increase to **two**, or **three**, or  
 even **four** ... at the beginning of the day, at midday and in the evening.  
 Each Rosary will take 20 minutes. "Pray, pray, pray very much ..."  
**Please join THE ROSARY MISSION: MARY'S MONTH OF MAY 2020 .**  
**Please see: [rosaryshrine.co.uk](http://rosaryshrine.co.uk)**

**BEXLEY FOODBANK DONATIONS**  
 We are currently unable to deliver donations of Food/Toiletries to Foodbank but  
 their need is greater than ever. If you feel you would like to continue support of  
 Foodbank at this time by making a monetary donation, however small or large,  
 this would be most welcome. Foodbank can then arrange to buy their most urgent  
 needs. This will need to be made by electronic transfer **via online banking** to the  
 account of Churches Together in Crayford. (of whom I am Treasurer)  
 Bank details are: **BARCLAYS BANK PLC, SORT CODE: 20-06-72,**  
**ACCOUNT NO: 30294063**  
**ACCOUNT NAME: CHURCHES TOGETHER IN CRAYFORD,**  
**REFERENCE: FOODBANK DONATION**  
 Thank you for your consideration, God Bless & keep safe. *Alex Rees*

**Parish Giving:**  
 A very big: **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU,**  
 to all Parishioners who have been making your usual and regular donations to  
 St Mary's Church. **Thank you for all your continued**  
**generosity and financial support.**  
 If you wish to contribute to the Parish, please see the Notice of **Parish Giving**  
 in the **Newsletter: 25th / 26th April 2020** on the **Parish website.**

Please pray for the Souls of:  
**John Griffith**, the brother of Liz Doherty;  
**Sister Finbar (Margaret) Egan LSU,**  
**Michael Deen**, whose Funeral will take place on Tuesday 12th May  
 at St Paulinus Cemetery, and  
**Michael Claridge**, at Eltham Crematorium on Thursday 14th May,  
 and also for  
**Fr. Gerry Flood**, formerly of St Theresa's, Biggin Hill,  
 and **Alan Wall:**  
**V/: Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord,**  
**R/: and let perpetual light shine upon them.**  
**May they rest in peace.**  
**May their Souls and the Souls of all the Faithful Departed**  
**through the Mercy of God: Rest in Peace. Amen.**

**Our Lady of Fatima of the Rosary: 13th May**  
 The Message of Fatima is an invitation and a school of  
 salvation. It began with **the Angel of Peace, of**  
**Portugal** in 1916 in **World War I** and continued  
 by **Our Lady in 1917.** Our Mother Mary first  
 appeared on the 13th May 1917 to the three children:  
**Lucia: 10 years, Francisco: 9 yrs., and Jacinta: 7yrs.**  
 The Virgin Mary came to them on **the 13th of each**  
**month** until October, (with the exception of (19th)  
 August, because they had been kidnapped by the  
 District Governor. On **13th October 1917** was the  
 famous "**MIRACLE OF THE SUN**", reported and record-  
 ed also by the secular press. (Check out the Film: "**The**  
**Miracle of Our Lady of Fatima**", Warner Brothers, 1952.)  
**Fatima is a call, a serious request from Heaven**  
**and an invitation to:**  
 - permanent, daily **CONVERSION;**  
 - much **PRAYER EVERYDAY** namely **THE ROSARY;**  
 - the daily practice of **Penances / Sacrifices** in  
**REPARATION** for our sins and the sins of others.



**St. Simon Stock: 16th May**  
 - St. Simon Stock was an Englishman of  
 the 13th Century who lived as a hermit  
 in the "Stock" / Trunk of Tree near  
 Maidstone in Kent. He became a  
 Prior of the Carmelite Religious Order.  
 - The first Carmelites were **Christian**  
**hermits** living on **Mount Carmel**  
 in the **Holy Land** during the late 12th and  
 early to mid-13th Centuries.  
 - They built in the midst of their hermit-  
 ages a Chapel which they dedicated to  
 the **Blessed Virgin Mary**, whom they  
 conceived of in chivalric terms as the  
**"Lady of the place."**  
 - Expelled by **the Saracens** from the  
 Holy Land they came to Europe and  
 settled first **in Aylesford, Kent(?)**  
 - The Blessed Virgin Mary is said to  
 have appeared to St. Simon Stock and  
 given to him the Carmelite Habit, **the**  
**Brown Scapular, symbolic of**  
**Mary's Protective Mantle / Cloak**  
**of protection.** Popular devotion to St.  
 Simon Stock is normally associated with  
 the devotion to Our Lady of Mount Car-  
 mel as the Blessed Virgin Mary is the  
 patroness of the Carmelite Order.  
 - Our Lady of Mount Carmel was adopt-  
 ed in the 19th century as the patron  
 saint of Chile.

**Please pray for the members of**  
**our Parish family who are sick:**  
 Anna Idahosa, Anne McGagh,  
 Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer,  
 Catherine Homer, Clare Cooney,  
 Darryl D'Cruz, David Hull, Felicity  
 Dyer, Ivor Harper, Jackie Dawson,  
 James Farrelly, Linda Rawlinson,  
 Lucy Kiernan, Marie Rogerston,  
 Maureen Sheldon, Pat Price, Renee  
 Rae, Tommy Cox and  
 Veronica Francis.