

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44, 48; Ps. 97; 1 John 4: 7-10; John 15: 9-17

<p>Saturday 4th May 2024 5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS 6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY 6:30pm: Peter Minton RIP (Family)</p>	<p>Sunday 5th May 2024 8:00: Holy Rosary 8:30am: People of the Parish 10:30am: Deceased members of Clark and Samtana Families</p>
<p>EARLY MAY BANK HOLIDAY Monday 6th May 2024 (Feria) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 8:30am: Whitaker and Hotine Families RIP FM</p>	<p>Tuesday 7th May 2024 (Feria) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Abigail Callahan RIP (Jim Saunders)</p>
<p>Weds. 8th May 2024 (Feria) (OUR LADY OF THE SACRED HEART) 8:00: Holy Rosary and Adoration 9:15am: Fr. John Hartley RIP n/s 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom Sr. Rita Philomena 103rd Birthday</p>	<p>THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION Thursday 9th May 2024 9:15am: James Tansey RIP St Joseph's School attending 7:30pm: Sick Parishioners</p>
<p>Friday 10th May 2024 (Feria) 9:15am: Holy Souls</p>	<p>Saturday 11th May 2024 11am: Holy Mass at Shalom</p>

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26; Ps. 102; 1 John 4: 11-16; John 17: 11-19

<p>Saturday 11th May 2024 5:00 - 6:00pm: CONFESSIONS 6:00 - 6:20pm HOLY ROSARY 6:30pm: Nina Smith RIP (Val Hull) <i>including the First Reception of Our Lord in Holy Communion by Zayne Orji</i></p>	<p>Sunday 12th May 2024 8:00: Holy Rosary 8:30am: Cath Bull RIP (Coward) <i>including the First Reception of Our Lord in Holy Communion by Augustine and Jude Chinedu-Anikwo</i> 10:30am: People of the Parish <i>including the First Reception of Our Lord in Holy Communion by Daniel Gaffney and Nathan Gedvilas</i></p>
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ANNIVERSARIES OF DEATH

Margaret Kitterick, John Sullivan, Mary Bargery, Eileen Maxted, Molly and Tommy Boshell, Beatrice Caine, Thomas Robb, Richard Hanrahan, Pauline Price, Kitty Patterson, Catherine Sheppard, Cecilia D'Mello, Caroline Harvey, Luigi Broglia, Harry Freeman, Eleanor Callen.

GOD IS LOVE.

True love is from God. The Holy Spirit comes not only to us but to many outside the visible Church. In these people we too praise the wonderful saving power of God. We prove we are Christians by the generous love which we show to one another and to all people irrespective of race, colour or creed.



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Jesus said to His disciples:

"As the Father has loved Me, so I have loved you. Remain in My love.

This is my commandment:

LOVE ONE ANOTHER, AS I HAVE LOVED YOU.

A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends."



SACRAMENT OF PENANCE - CONFESSION -

SATURDAYS 5PM TO 6PM
 also, **WHENEVER THE CHURCH IS OPEN, and ON REQUEST**

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SUNDAY OFFERINGS: 27TH/28TH APRIL 2024

**Gift Aid: £190.90; Card: £30; Loose Plate: £258.33 ATTENDANCE: 215
St. George's Cathedral: Gift Aid: £98.33; Card: £20; Loose Plate: £87.56**

Direct Debits: April 2024: £1,512.00

Thank you for your continuing generosity in these difficult times, *Fr. David.*

SECOND COLLECTIONS:

This weekend: for THE PARISH BUILDING FUND.

Next weekend: for **WORLD COMMUNICATIONS.**

This supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN) the media office of the Bishop's Conference of England and Wales.

Gift Aiders can use one of the donation envelopes, but please add your

Gift Aid number, others please use one of the Square Brown Envelopes available at the Church Door.

PLEASE ADD YOUR GIFT AID NUMBER. YOUR DONATION CANNOT BE ALLOCATED TO THE GIFT AID SCHEME IF YOUR GIFT AID NUMBER IS NOT ON THE ENVELOPE.

Thank you for your care and support. *Fr. David.*

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (B)

There is no getting away from the fact that the most important thing Jesus asks of us, and commands us to do, is to love one another. The night before He died, He gave us a simple command: to love one another, as He loved us. The model and standard for Christian behaviour is this love which Christ has shown for us on the cross. The one requirement attached to receiving this gift of God's love is the undertaking that we share it with others. Love for those whom we can see, brings us as close as we can on earth into the love of God whom we cannot see.

MARY STUDY DAY

MARY, DAUGHTER OF ISRAEL

Dr. Eugene Curran C. M.

on Saturday 18th May 2024,

10am to 3.30pm

at St. John Fisher R. C. Church,

Thanet Road, Bexley DA5 1AP

Packed lunch required

"There are many titles for Mary in Catholic tradition but it is important to recognise that she would have seen herself primarily as a daughter of Abraham and Israel—a successor to the many women of Scripture. The day will allow us to reflect on some of these women, their role in Mary's formation as a woman of faith and our own sacred history".

EUGENE CURRAN C. M.

FORMATION FAYRE

"MADE FOR MORE"

The call for Adult Formation was overwhelmingly present in the Synod responses, across the world and in our Archdiocese.

The **Agency for Evangelisation and Catechesis** will be hosting a **Formation Fayre**, featuring Archbishop John Wilson as the keynote speaker on the **8 June 2024** at **Amigo Hall, St. George's Cathedral.** Join us for an enriching day of faith development.

With the theme **"MADE FOR MORE,"** our event promises dynamic breakout sessions, times of prayer, and opportunities for spiritual reflection. Don't miss this chance to deepen your understanding of Catholicism and emerge renewed and empowered.

Register now at aec.rcaos.org.uk and be part of this transformative event.

MAY: THE MONTH OF MARY

The special Marian Devotions held in the Catholic Church during the month of May honour the Virgin Mary as the Queen of May.

The month of May is the month which the faithful especially dedicate to "Our Blessed Lady", and it is the occasion for a moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world give to the Queen of Heaven.

During this month, both in Church and at home, we offer up to Mary from our hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration.



**GIFT AID ENVELOPES
2024/2025**

We are now in the new Tax Year. If you are a member of the Parish Gift Aid Scheme, please start using your new Gift Aid Envelopes.

If you have still not received your Gift Aid Box, then please collect this from Mike Whitaker or Alex Rees as soon as possible.

**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT
YOU KEEP YOUR
BAGS, HANDBAGS
AND PERSONAL ITEMS
WITH YOU AT ALL
TIMES TO AVOID THE
POSSIBILITY OF
THESE BEING LOST OR
STOLEN.**

100 CLUB

Come and join our 100 Club. Please see Jim Saunders.

It is a great way to raise Parish funds and for the Building Fund.

Your continued support is most appreciated. Thank you.

ST. MARY OF THE CRAY'S COMMUNITY SOCIAL CLUB

The Governing Body give notice that the **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** of the Social Club will be held on **THURSDAY 16TH MAY 2024** at **7PM** in the Parish Room. All members are invited to attend, and should there be any questions or comments you wish to raise please advise in advance to Peter Coward.

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The Social Club are holding the following events in May:

BINGO - SUNDAY 5TH MAY with eyes down at 12.15 pm.

BEEBLE DRIVE - SATURDAY 18TH MAY at 7.30pm,

no tickets required with fun for all ages.

Please pray for the members of our Parish Family who are sick:

Anita Claridge, Anna Idahosa, Barry Alfred Colville, Bernard Glazier, Bernie Francis, Bridget Whitaker, Canon Jeremiah Cronin, Carmella "Nina" Stafford, Chandra Rawal, Chloe Mutimer, Christina Redmond, Clare Cooney, Erin, Fr. John Ryan, Fr. Morty O'Shea, Felicity Dyer, Jackie Dawson, Jackie Santo, Joan Veronica McCormack, Linda Rawlinson, Liz Algar, Luc Fitzpatrick, Margaret Harrington, Maria Hanks, Marie Rogerston, Pat Goodwin, Pat McGrory, Patrick Taylor, Pauline White, Rita Pearce and Sean Tansey.

PLEASE, DO YOU KNOW OF ANY ONE ELSE WHO, WITH THEIR PERMISSION, OUGHT TO BE ON THIS LIST?