

**St. Mary of the Angels Newsletter**

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**Fifth Sunday of Easter** (C)

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**Next week's duties.**

**Wardens** Saturday: - Tony & Mavis  
 Sunday: - Brian  
**Cleaners** Beryl, Julie, Catherine & Pat J  
**Flowers** Sally  
**Welcomes** Saturday: Dawn & Katy for John & Ann T  
 Sunday: Jonathan & Ann F  
**Cashiers** Team B  
**Coffee** The family C

Liturgy		Mass Intention		Readers	
Sat.18 <sup>th</sup>	Vigil Mass – 6:00pm.	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b> <i>1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion</i>	Int. of Ann Driscoll & the Service Family AD	Readers	Cathy & Pat H
Sun.19 <sup>th</sup>	Sung Mass 9:30am. Music by the School		People of the Parish	E Mins:	Bernadette, Emma, David G & Ann T
Mon.20 <sup>th</sup>	9:15am.	Easter Feria	Holy Souls BOB	Readers:	David W & Christine L
Tue.21 <sup>st</sup>	9:15am.	Easter Feria	Geoff Jones RIP PH	E Mins:	Margaret, John C, Jacqui & Peter
Wed.22 <sup>nd</sup>	Eucharistic Service 9:15am.	Easter Feria		<b>Sacrament of the Sick.</b> Please remember to inform Fr. Craig <i>directly</i> in cases of sickness, most especially if it requires hospital treatment or prolonged absence from Mass. If one is taken ill suddenly and cannot inform the clergy then families should take responsibility for this.	
Thu.23 <sup>rd</sup>	9:15am. 7:30pm.	Easter Feria	Int. of Joan Hart BOB Geoff Jones RIP SVP	<b>Parish Membership.</b> If you are a recent arrival in the parish or if you did not complete a membership form previously there are copies of the Parish Membership Form available in the porch. If any details change, please complete a new form.	
Fri.24 <sup>th</sup>	In SMA School 9:15am. In Church for SFA 11:30am.	Easter Feria	Int. Gill Remblance & Canon Michael School Int. of Sick in the Parish SVP	Readers	John H & Christine L
Sat.25 <sup>th</sup>	9:30am. 10:00-11:00am 10:00-11:00am	St Bede the Venerable Priest, Doctor Memorial Holy Hour for Vocations Confessions	People of the Parish	E Mins:	Francis, Maura, Keith & Christine H
	6:00pm.	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	Int. of School Group travelling to Lourdes SFA School	Readers	Cathy & Helen
Sun.26 <sup>th</sup>	Sung Mass 9:30am. Music by the Choir		Tomas Joshua Daly-RIP D&VD	E Mins:	Dorothy, Jonathan, Denis & Barbara

**Father's Notes**

**St John Paul II** - The splendid vision of the heavenly Jerusalem, which today's Liturgy of the Word presents to us again, closes the Book of Revelation and the whole series of sacred books which comprises the Bible. With this magnificent description of the City of God, the author of Revelation indicates the definitive defeat of evil and the achievement of perfect communion between God and men. From the beginning, the history of salvation aims at this goal.

**Rite of Acolyte** at our Vigil Mass on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June. Bishop David McGough will confer the Rite of Acolyte on four diaconal candidates from our Archdiocese: **Dominic Kerr, Dirk Hermans, John Garvey & Peter Crosby.** Please keep all of them in your prayers; everyone is welcome to attend.<sup>2</sup>

**Fatima.** I have returned safely from my pilgrimage to Fatima in Portugal. While there I offered prayers and lit a candle for you all.

**Recently Deceased.** Of your charity please pray for the soul of **Keith Houston** for whom we have been praying, who died on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> May. Keith, the nephew of Philomena and was 40 years old. Please also keep Philomena, her sister and all the family in your prayers.

**First Holy Communions.** Congratulations to our children who received their First Holy Communion last Sunday, and we look forward to seeing the second group receive theirs this Sunday.

**St. Francis of Assisi Leavers Mass** will take place on Friday at 11:30am. Parishioners are also most welcome to attend the 9:15am Mass will be in SMA School.

**Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.** All Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion are asked to attend the Sunday 9.30am Mass on the Weekend of the Feast of Corpus Christi, Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> of June. At this Mass you will be asked to renew your promises to fulfil your duties as Ministers of Holy Communion and to be recommissioned for the forthcoming year.

**Rosary Beads.** The Catenians are collecting Rosaries to send to the Developing World. If you have a Rosary, which you do not need please put it in the box in the porch.



**Parish Pastoral Council**

The council meeting on Thursday has had to be cancelled due to our meeting room being used for the European elections. It will be re-scheduled at a late date

**Spring Fayre**

Our thanks to all those who helped with and attended the Spring Fayre. Details of the funds raised will be published later.

**Whetstone Over 50s**

17<sup>th</sup> June Coach visit to **Trentham Gardens**, £10 members, £12 non-members, £5 non-returnable deposit from everybody.

Sign on List in church porch.

**SMA – PTA**



St. Mary of the Angels primary PTA will hold a 'Ladies Fashion Show and Pop-up Shop' at the school on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> June. Doors open at 6:30pm with tickets at £5.00, which must be purchased in advance.<sup>3</sup>



The annual Novena and Pilgrimage to the Shrine of the Sacred Heart of Jesus takes place from the 20<sup>th</sup> of June. The pilgrimage afternoon is from 3:00pm on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> June.

Please see the notice boards for full details.<sup>1</sup>



The next meeting of the S.V.P is this Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> May after the 7.30 Mass. New members are always welcome.

**Wednesday Friends**

This Wednesday is Wednesday Friends day. Do come along for a welcome cup of tea/coffee and toast and a friendly chat. It's after the morning service in our meeting room, around 9:45am.

**Craft and Natter**

There will be no Craft & Natter on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May, back to normal on Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> June, 11am till 3pm in the meeting room. For more information call **Christine** ☎ 01922 860981.



**Live Simply Prayer - Week 25**

**Good Shepherd, help me to see the dignity in all my sisters and brothers made in your own image and likeness.**

Through CAFOD, our parish now supports a locality in Columbia - MAGDALENA MEDIO – in conjunction with Catholics elsewhere. The project is called "Hands On". A number of human developments are already under way. The peace settlement last year between the Columbian government and the main guerrilla group in the country has made all this a possibility. It's a process of helping people rebuild their lives and creating new chances for them.

If you'd like to get details of the scheme and what's being done with our funding, you can find them on the web. Go to "cafod.org.uk/hands"; then click this option - "Hands On Magdalena Medio | CAFOD".<sup>2</sup>

**If you had one of our Green Boxes for your lenten collection, please return it as soon as possible to one of the CAFOD group.**

**Sick in the Parish**

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, that God will bless and comfort them.

Please remember especially: **Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Evelyn Hawkley, Jacqueline Perks, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Mary Nix, Alma Darby, Marguerite Baxendale, Eliz McCabe, David Piggott, Mary Ellis, Clare Cooksey, Aine McDonagh & Emma Jones.**



£319.17 has been banked from our parish for the 6 months to the 31<sup>st</sup> March 2019. Many thanks to everyone who has helped to raise this sum for the work of the missions. Thank you again.<sup>1</sup>

**Last Week's Offertory: £355.98**

**Weekly Standing Orders: £760.00**

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection **Clergy Training Fund: £309.98**