

St. Mary of the Angels Newsletter

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Sixth Sunday of Easter (C)

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Next week's duties.

Wardens Saturday: - Peter H
 Sunday: - John S
Cleaners Margaret L, Victoria, Andy, Anna & Michael M
Flowers Karen for Ann T
Welcomes Saturday: Shelagh & Anne H
 Sunday: Pat J & Elena
Cashiers Team C
Coffee Margaret & Fran R & Sue W

Liturgy		Mass Intention		Readers	
Sat.25 th	Vigil Mass – 6:00p.m.	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Int. of School Group travelling to Lourdes SFA School	Readers	John H & Christine L
Sun.26 th	Sung Mass 9:30a.m. Music by the Choir		Tomas Joshua Daly ^{RIP} D&VD	E Mins:	Francis, Maura, Keith & Christine H
Mon.27 th	9:15a.m.	St Augustine of Canterbury ^{Bishop} Feast	Int. of Veronica Mathews ^{KH}	Readers:	Cathy & Helen
Tue.28 th	9:15a.m.	Easter Feria	Geoff Jones ^{RIP} D&SG	E Mins:	Dorothy, Jonathan, Denis & Barbara
Wed.29 th	Eucharistic Service 9:15a.m.	Solemnity of Dedication		Sacrament of the Sick. 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.30 th	9:15a.m. 7:30p.m.	Ascension of the Lord ^{Solemnity}	Int. of Noel & Breda McCarthy ^{BO'B} Christopher Stevens ^{RIP} PC	Parish Membership. 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.31 st	9:15a.m.	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary ^{Feast}	Anne Plant ^{RIP} CD	Readers	James & Gerry
Sat.1 st	9:30a.m. 10:00-11:00a.m.	St Justin^{Martyr} Memorial Holy Hour for Vocations	Colin & Gary Watson ^{RIP} AW	E Mins:	Nathalie, Bernadette, Emma & David G
	10:00-11:00a.m.	Confessions		Readers	David W & Helen
Sun.2 nd	Sung Mass 6:00p.m. Music by the Folk Group	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Healing & Forgiveness for Mr & Mrs A Stanley ^{D&TM}	E Mins:	Phil, Sue, David W & Margaret
	Sung Mass 9:30a.m. Music by the Choir		People of the Parish		

Father's Notes

St Cyril of Alexandria - Those who possess the Spirit as their guarantee, and are rich in hope of the resurrection, already have a hold on what is in store for them as if it had already come to be.

Rite of Acolyte at our Vigil Mass on Saturday 1st 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.³

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

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 23rd 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.

Holy Day of Obligation. Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, a Holy Day of Obligation. All Catholics are obliged to come to Mass on this day, failure to do so constitutes a mortal sin, therefore, Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am and at 7.30pm on Thursday. There will not be a Vigil Mass the evening before.

Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes at Hednesford. This year marks the 50th anniversary of the diocesan pilgrimage to this shrine. See the poster in the porch for further details.

Restored Lives Courses. The 'Restored Lives' course helps participants to recover from the experience of divorce or relationship breakdown, and rebuild self-confidence; offering the real possibility of having a restored, fulfilled and happy life. These workshops provide the first opportunity to develop local pastoral care for separated and divorced Catholics. If you are interested, please see the poster in the porch for further details.

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.

Gary Darby – May he Rest in Peace. The funeral of Alma Darby's husband Gary will be on Tuesday 4th June at 12:15p.m. at Streetly Crematorium, and afterwards to the Aldridge Conservative Club

Guild of St. Stephen. You will have noticed that we no longer include the names of altar servers in the table above. This is not because we no longer require servers, on the contrary, we **really** want you to attend and serve. The reason for the omission is that the rota bore little resemblance to those on the Sanctuary. Guild members, please attend, come early and serve whenever you can, your presence is most important.

First Holy Communions. Congratulations to our children who received their First Holy Communion over the last two weekends.



Eucharistic Ministers

The new rota for Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist is now in the porch. Please pick up your named envelope.

Thank You – Lisa Jones

Lisa writes "The family of **Geoffrey Jones** would like to say a belated thank-you for everyone's support, prayers, the beautiful cards, donations and Masses for dad".

Spring Fayre

Our thanks to all those who helped with and attended the Spring Fayre last weekend. The event raised **£835.93**. It was most enjoyable.



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

Please see the notice boards for full details.²

Craft and Natter

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

Whetstone Over 50s

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

Sign on List in church porch.



Live Simply Prayer - Week 26

God of Love, open our eyes to see you in all that you have created and to wonder at your marvellous creation.

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".³

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 Hawkey, 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.**

Missio (Red Boxes)

£319.17 has been banked from our parish for the six months to the 31st March 2019. Many thanks to everyone who has helped to raise this sum for the work of the missions. Thank you again.²

Second Collection

There will be a second collection next weekend 2nd/3rd June in aid of Catholic Communications.

Last Week's Offertory: £373.68
Weekly Standing Orders: £760.00
Spring Fayre: £835.93
Ryan's Collection: £2672.00