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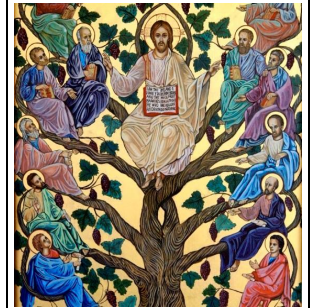
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**THE YEAR OF ST. JOSEPH**

**DATE**

**Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2021**

**SUNDAY**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Year B**

**DIVINE OFFICE**

**Week 1**

**Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am, and all weekday Masses.**

<b>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May</b> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	6.00pm	For the healing of Louise Morgan <sup>(JH)</sup>
<b>Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> May</b> Fifth Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	People of the Parish Tony Andrews <sup>RIP (CA)</sup> (40th Wedding Anniversary) Paul Casey <sup>RIP (SB)</sup>
<b>Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> May</b> Ss. Philip & James <sup>Apostles</sup> <sup>Feast</sup>	9.15am	Johnny Clarke <sup>RIP (J&amp;AT)</sup>
<b>Tuesday 4<sup>th</sup> May</b> The English Martyrs <sup>Feast</sup>	9.15am	Holy Souls <sup>(BO'B)</sup>
<b>Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> May</b> Easter Feria		No Services Today
<b>Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> May</b> Easter Feria	7.30pm	Maureen Hayes <sup>RIP (JH)</sup> (10th Anniversary)
<b>Friday 7<sup>th</sup> May</b> Easter Feria	9.15am	Brian J. Hornblower <sup>RIP (C&amp;PS and Family)</sup>
<b>Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> May</b> Easter Feria (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6.00pm	Int. of our Parish Priest <sup>(D&amp;MH)</sup> Confessions <b>(by appointment only)</b> Michael J. Duddy <sup>RIP (ML&amp;GW)</sup>
<b>Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> May</b> Sixth Sunday of Easter	9.30am 11.30am 4.30pm	People of the Parish Eric Myers <sup>RIP (AD-W)</sup> Tom & Pat McMahan <sup>RIP (KF)</sup>

## Pope Francis:

The Christian journey begins from the grace of receiving mercy. If we trust in our own abilities, in the efficiency of our own structures and projects, we will not go far. Only if we accept the love of God, will we be able to offer something new to the world.

### Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses will continue to be live-streamed for those who at this time cannot be with us in church. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If, however, you are sitting on the right side of the church you will become visible, in a way in which you might be recognisable, for a brief moment as you return from receiving Holy Communion. If you do not wish to appear on the live-stream please inform one of the stewards who will ensure that you are seated on the left of the church.

### Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse

Our Holy Father Pope Francis has asked that all Bishops' Conferences hold a 'Day of Prayer' for the victims and survivors of abuse in all jurisdictions of the Church. Here in England and Wales, having consulted with the victims/survivors, the Bishops' Conference have decreed that this day of prayer will take place on Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter, **4<sup>th</sup> May 2021**.

Following the morning Mass this Tuesday there will be exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at **11.30am** we will pray the Rosary for the victims and survivors of abuse. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will be given at 12 noon, after the ringing of the Regina Cæli.

## Pope's Prayer Intention

The Pope's prayer intention for the month of May is:- **The World Finance**. Let us pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

### Sick in the Parish

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

**Denis & Margaret Healy, Margaret & Leo Jones, John Wynne, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Nancy Levell, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia <sup>(Dotty)</sup> Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Deacon John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan <sup>nee Meehan</sup>, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Pat Gray, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Evelyn Hawkey, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath & Paddy Breen, Max Lewis, Marguerite Baxendale, David Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.**

We continue to pray also for those who are suffering as a result of COVID-19, and for all who are involved in caring for the sick and the dying.

### Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **David Easthope** and **Janet Durkin**, on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy. May they Rest in Peace. David's Requiem Mass will be celebrated on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 11.00am. Janet's funeral arrangements will follow shortly. Due to the current restrictions on funeral services it is only possible for the family, and others who have been invited, to attend the service in the church.



Catholic Agency for  
Overseas Development

**Live Simply Prayer – Week 23**

*(5th Sunday of Easter)*

St. Joseph, custodian of the Holy Family and patron of all Catholic families, give us your support and help us to fashion our homes and their relationships according to the love, kindness and generosity of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

### **50-50 Club**

The winners of the draw for March entrants drawn on 25<sup>th</sup> April:

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Prize</b>	<b>TV 34</b>	<b>£150</b>
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Prize</b>	<b>EQ 29</b>	<b>£60</b>
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Prize</b>	<b>DW 22</b>	<b>£30</b>
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Prize</b>	<b>KH 07</b>	<b>£20</b>

Total prize money this month: £260.00

### **Rosary for the end of the Pandemic**

Pope Francis has asked that May be a month dedicated to the recitation of the Rosary for and end to the Covid-19 Pandemic. Each day of the month the Rosary will be said focusing on an international Marian Shrine. On Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> May the focus will be on the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham. Archbishop Bernard has asked each parish in the Archdiocese to come together for the recitation of the Rosary on this day – via whatever means available to us at such short notice. **I therefore invite you all to join me in saying the Rosary, via the Parish live-stream from our own chapel dedicated to Our Lady of Walsingham, on Saturday at 3.30pm.** Together let us offer the Joyful Mysteries of the Holy Rosary asking our Lady's intercession for an end to the Pandemic.

### **Rosary for the Unborn**

On the first Thursday of each month, as a parish, we are invited to pray the Rosary for the protection of all babies in the womb. This month the intention is **'For women and their families struggling with infertility'**.

### **Annual Gift Aid Claims**

As we prepare to submit our 2021 Gift Aid Reclaim you are reminded to make sure that you have paid enough tax to cover your claim. Could we also ask that if you have changed address in the past 12 months you let either myself or Peter Differ know ASAP. Many thanks.

### **Organ Restoration Fund**



The church organ here at St. Mary of the Angels is in need of some urgent repair work. Many of the electrical components of the organ have now begun to fail, due to their age and general wear and tear, and need to be replaced. As we are currently not using the organ on a regular basis now would be the perfect time to address these issues and so bring the organ back up to perfect working order. The cost of the works needed is **£5,824.80**. If you would like to make a donation towards the cost of the repair work it would be greatly appreciated. Please put your donation in an envelope marked 'Organ Restoration' through the Presbytery door. If you are a taxpayer, and already have a Gift Aid Declaration (GAD) set up with the parish, you can Gift Aid your donation – simply ask Fr. Craig for a 'One Off Donation envelope'. Many thanks.

### Baptism Enquiries

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link:

<https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptismal-enquiries.html>

Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'.

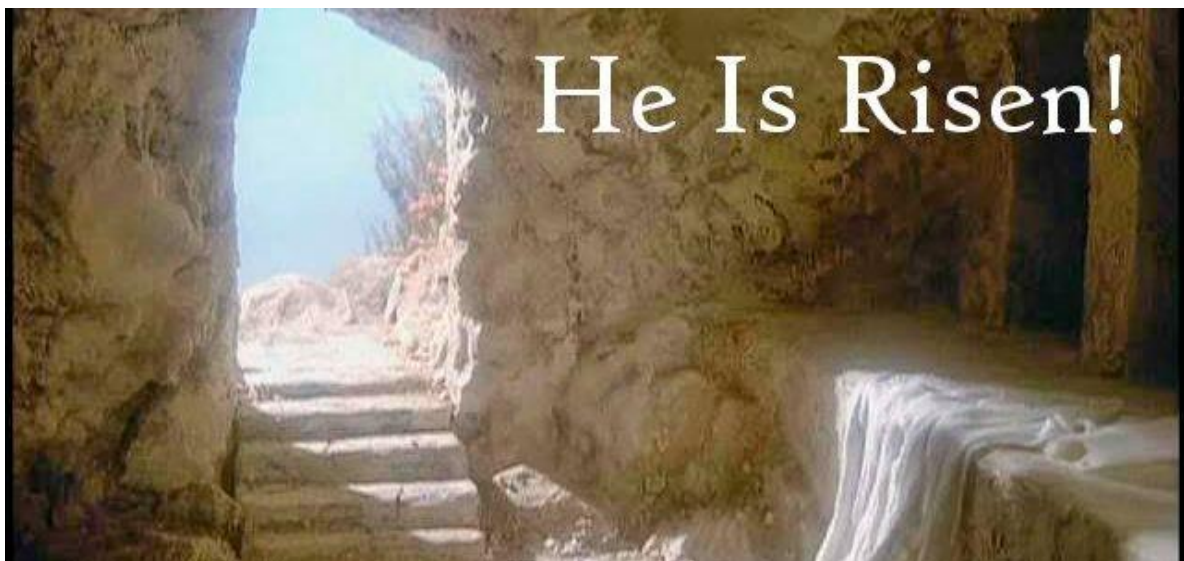
### Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

### Praying for the Unborn



As we enter into this month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, we bring to mind all mothers. That, like Mary, they would be able to love and cherish their children from the point of conception. We pray also that these women would find support from their spouses, families and friends as they journey through the joys and trials of parenthood. Amen.



**And finally:-** On this Fifth Sunday of Easter the liturgy presents us with the Gospel passage of John in which Jesus, speaking to the disciples at the Last Supper, exhorts them to remain united to him like the branches of the vine. It is a truly meaningful parable as it expresses with great effectiveness that Christian life is a mystery of communion with Jesus: "Whoever remains in me" says the Lord, "will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing" (Jn 15:5). The secret of spiritual fruitfulness is union with God, union that is realised especially in the Eucharist, also rightly called "Communion". (Benedict XVI)

*May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig*