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DATE

Sunday 15th May 2022

SUNDAY

**Fifth Sunday of Easter
Year C**

DIVINE OFFICE

Week 1

Live-streamed Masses: Sunday at 9.30am and all weekday Masses.
NB The Sunday Obligation remains suspended until further notice.

<u>Saturday 14th May</u> 1 st Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Olwen & Francis Xavier Borg RIP ^(YD)
<u>Sunday 15th May</u> Fifth Sunday of Easter	9:30am	People of the Parish
<u>Monday 16th May</u> Easter Feria	9.15am 4.00pm	Tome & Julieta Almeida RIP ^(AA) Reception of Nancy Levell
<u>Tuesday 17th May</u> Easter Feria	9.15am 1.30pm	John Wynne RIP ^(ES) Requiem Mass: Nancy Levell
<u>Wednesday 18th May</u> Easter Feria		No Services Today
<u>Thursday 19th May</u> Easter Feria	7:30pm	Josephine Evans RIP ^(J&SK)
<u>Friday 20th May</u> Easter Feria	9.15am	Pat Hart RIP
<u>Saturday 21st May</u> Easter Feria (1 st Mass of Sunday)	9.30am 10-11am 6:00pm	David Easthope RIP ^(Easthope Family) Exposition, Confession and Benediction People of the Parish
<u>Sunday 22nd May</u> Sixth Sunday of Easter	9.30am	Dec. of the O'Brien Family ^(BO'B)

Pope Francis:

Before the madness of war, please let us continue to pray the Rosary for peace each day. And let us pray for the leaders of nations, so they might not lose the “pulse of the people” who want peace and who know well that weapons never achieve it, never.

Data Protection – Live-streaming

Sunday 9.30am Mass, and all weekday Masses, will continue to be live-streamed for those who cannot attend Mass at this time. The camera is situated at the front of the church so that only the Sanctuary is visible. If you do not wish to appear on the screen during the distribution of communion you are asked to sit on the right of the church.

Second Collection

This weekend, **14th/15th May**, there will be a retiring collection **to support the Diocesan response, facilitated by Fr. Hudson’s, to the ongoing crisis in Ukraine.**

Childrens Liturgy

Our Children’s Liturgy group meets each week during the first part of the 9.30am Mass on Sundays to share and explore the Sunday Gospel reading through prayer, discussions, activities and fun!

Children of all ages are all very welcome to attend and join our very enthusiastic group!

Beetle Drive



Our beetle Drive with **Fish and Chip** (or alternative) supper will be on **Friday 10th June** at 7:00pm, price £10. If you would like to come please put your name, together with the number of people in your party and their preferred meal choice, on the list on the table in the church porch.

Pope’s Prayer Intention

The Pope’s prayer intention for the month of May is: **For faith-filled young people.** We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary’s life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Sick in the Parish

Please pray for all the sick in the parish, remember especially:

Paul Atkinson, Mike Treadwell, Jacqui Bird, Alison Welton, Fr. Tony Rohan, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Max Miotk, Leo Jones, Margaret Healy, Maura McGarry, Juliet Woodhall, Pat Hopley, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Keiron Sanders, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Dcn. John Higgins, Joan Hart, Emma Jones, Anna Morgan ^{née Meehan}, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mike Mander, Jo Cooke, Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, Clare Cooksey & Áine McDonagh.

Deacon Peter’s Let’s talk about

Our conversation groups resume this week. We meet in the Meeting Room in two groups, either Mondays at 7pm or Saturdays at 2pm and discuss anything related to the practice of the faith: Scripture, prayer life, Church teachings and tradition, liturgy... If you’ve a question, find some aspect of Catholicism challenging, want to go deeper into an aspect the faith, or to share an experience or listen to other’s experiences, this is for you. These conversations are open to everyone; parents of school-age children, infrequent mass-goers and non-Catholic partners, all are welcome.

CAFOD

(Fifth Sunday of Easter)

Lord God, you are kind, full of compassion, slow to anger and abounding in love. We bless you; we praise you; we thank you for your mercy to us.

The Paradox of Abundance

Over **800 million people go hungry each day**. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.'

Clearly the currently global food system is not working. As Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called **Fix the Food System**.

See www.cafod.org.uk/food for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our Fix the Food System: a 7-station journey resource.

Wednesday Friends

The next meeting of the Wednesday Friends is this coming **Wednesday, 18th May**, at 10.00am in the meeting room. Everyone is most welcome.

Rosaries for the World



The Catenian Association Rosary Group is collecting rosaries to be distributed to Catholics in some of the poorest parts of our world. If you have any old rosaries, or you are willing to purchase a new set for donation, please place them in the collection box in the porch.

Recently Deceased

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of **Dominic Chapman, Kathleen Gudgin, Nancy Levell and Paddy Breen** who passed away recently. On whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

Nancy's mortal remains will be received into church at **4.00pm** on **Monday 16th May**. Her Requiem Mass will be celebrated at **1.30pm** on **Tuesday 17th May**.

Paddy's mortal remains will be received into the church on **Monday 13th June** at **6.30pm**. His Requiem Mass will be celebrated on **Tuesday 14th June** at **11.00am**

Quo Vadis? (Where are you going?)

A series of three Zoom sessions for university students on the theme of discernment, including a presentation on the life of the *beatus* (blessed) by a speaker working within university chaplaincy, followed by a time of prayer.

- **Monday 16th May** – Bl. Chiara Badano by Alvea Fernandes (Oxford University Chaplaincy)
- **Thursday 26th May** – Bl. Pier Giorgio Frassati by Fr. Ray Corbett (Aston University Chaplaincy)

Sessions run 8.00-8.45pm. For more information and to register for Zoom links visit www.vocations.org.uk/quo-vadis

Craft & Natter

We meet every **Tuesday** in the Parish Meeting Room from **11am to 3pm**.

50p per session for all the refreshments you can drink. Come for the morning, afternoon, or for the whole session, and don't forget to bring your lunch. Just bring yourself and something 'crafty' to make! For more information call Christine on 07900604902

Praying for the Unborn



We pray for all women going through unexpected pregnancies, that they would experience peace and support in this circumstance, and recognise the many blessings that motherhood brings. Amen.

Cleaners This Week

A few of the new 'Cleaners Rotas' are still to be collected from the porch. Thank you to all who have worked so hard over these past months to keep the church clean.

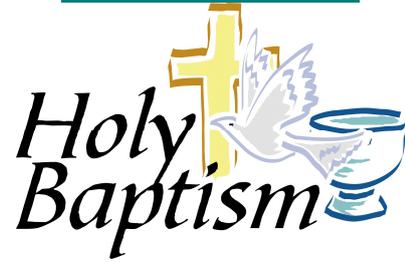
New Readers Rota

We are now reintroducing a readers rota for the celebration of the weekend Masses. The new rotas are now available in the church porch.

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.

Congratulations



We offer our prayers and congratulations to **Bea Lillian Dawn Bernadette K** who was Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels last weekend. We also offer our prayers for her parents and godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising their child in practice of the faith.

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'. The next available dates for Baptism Preparation are:

7pm Tuesday 13th September

7pm Tuesday 15th November

And finally:- At the plenary meeting of the Bishops' of England and Wales, which took place in Cardiff last week, the Bishops' discussed the return of the Sunday Obligation following its suspension in response to the Covid Pandemic. In the letter released they state "The pressing challenges of the pandemic have lessened significantly. Most people have resumed the wide range of normal activities, no longer restricted by the previous Covid measures. We therefore believe that the reasons which have prevented Catholics from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation no longer apply." Recognising that the live streaming of Mass has been of great benefit during these times "Virtual Viewing of the Mass online does not fulfil the Sunday Obligation". Catholics are now encouraged to resume their normal Sunday Mass attendance from Pentecost this year. The full text of the Bishops' Statement can be found on the Homepage of the Parish Website.

May God bless and protect you all. Fr. Craig