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# THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A 30th April 2017

## Dear Parishioners,

**'Christ feeds us.** Christ is our daily Eucharist- a day's food for a day's journey. We meet Him as pilgrims and strangers and recognise Him in the breaking of bread. He is our ransom and our gift.'(Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.)

**The Baptismal preparation evenings** for May will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May and **Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May** at 8pm in the Presbytery. All are welcome.

On Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May, we will have a Holy Hour by Candle light between 6.15pm-7.15pm. This will be followed by a Meeting with Mr Paul Northem, the Diocesan Evangelisation Field Worker, in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm. Again, all very welcome to this Meeting.

**On Friday 5th May,** there will be the First Saturday devotions in honour of Our Lady of Fatima. The Rosary will be recited in Church at 11.30am.

**Please note that on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May** there will not be a 10am Mass in Church. This is because we have a 9.30am mass at St Augustine's School and an 11am Requiem Mass in Church for Mrs Elisabeth Scull. Elisabeth will be received into Church on Tuesday at 5pm.

**Next weekend (Good Shepherd Sunday)** is a special time of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood, the Diaconate and the Religious Life. The theme for prayer is 'Led by the Spirit for Mission.' There will be a second collection for the Clergy Training Fund.

**We have arranged two meetings** for the Parents of our First Holy Communion Children. They will take place on Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Wednesday17th May at 8pm in the Parish hall. There will be free car parking in the lower level of the Dominion Car Park.

**Our Catholic Primary School of St Augustine's** are advertising for the post of SENDCO required for September 2017. Mrs Marjorie Roger who looks after our children with special needs will be retiring in July. Details for the post are available on posters in both porches.

**The Archbishop encourages us to vote** in the Election of Mayor for the West Midlands Combined Authority. The voting will take place on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May. Further information may be accessed on-<u>www.westmidlandscombinedauthority.org.uk</u>

Please note we have changed the date of Night Fever to Saturday 27th May, 7pm-9pm.

29 <sup>th</sup> April Saturday FEAST OF ST CATHERINE OF SIENA PATRON OF EUROPE	Acts 2:14,22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35 12.30pm Elizabeth Hamell Thomas & Marie Hamell	Confession/Exposition 11.00-12.00 Noon	
30th April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	Acts 2:14,22-33 1 Peter 1:17-21 Luke 24:13-35 9.00am Mary Paige's Mother-RIP 11.00am Catherine & Jim Murphy-RIP	Tea & Coffee after 9.00am and 11.00am Mass	
1 <sup>st</sup> May Monday St Joseph The Worker Day of Prayer for Human Work	Acts 6:8-15 John 6:22-29 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Joan Brosnan-Get Well		
2 <sup>nd</sup> May Tuesday St Athanasius	Acts 7:51-8:1 John 6:30-35 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Bernard Campbell-90 <sup>th</sup> Birthday Robert Neeve-RIP	Pre-School 9.00am-12.45pm Legion of Mary 6.30pm Youth Group 7.00pm	
3rd May Wednesday FEAST Ss PHILIP AND JAMES	1 Corinthians 15:1-8 John 14:6-14 10.35am The Rosary 11.00am Requiem Dr Clisabeth Scull	Parents & Toddlers Group 9.15am-11.00am Rainbows 4.30pm-5.30pm Brownies 5.45pm-7.30pm	
4 <sup>th</sup> May Thursday FEAST OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS	Acts 7:55-60Matthew 10:17-2012.05pm The Rosary12.30pm Bernard Naylor-RIPFr John Henry Gough & Joseph& Esther Farmer RIP6.15pm-7.15pm-Holy Hour by Candle Light	Pre-School 9.00am-12.45pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 12.00pm 8.00pm Baptismal Preparation Evening-Presbytery	
5th May Friday Easter Feria	Acts 9:1-20 John 6:52-59 9.35am The Rosary 10.00am Christine & Graham Farrell-Intention 6.30pm Latin Mass Charlie Cassidy-Birthday With Anointing of the Sick	Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament after 10am Mass Until 12.30pm Holy Hour 5.15pm-6.15pm Followed by Mass at 6.30pm	
6 <sup>th</sup> May Saturday Easter Feria	Acts 2:14,36-41 1 Peter 2:20-25 John 10:1-10 12.30pm Frank & Nancy Ryan-RIP Eamonn Murtagh-RIP	First Saturday Devotion- Rosary 11.30am Confession/Exposition 11.00- 12.00 Noon Tea/Coffee after 12.30pm Mass	
7 <sup>th</sup> May Sunday Fourth Sunday of Easter World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Acts 2:14,36-41 1 Peter 2:20-25 John 10:1-10 9.00am Iona Lewis-RIP 11.00am Sadie McLaughlin-RIP	Tea/Coffee after 9am and 11am Masses	

### Offertory Collection last week: £1,087:63 (Gift Aid £312:00 Loose £775:63) Second Collection next week- The Clergy Training Fund

**WALSINGHAM-** Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2017. A payment of £17.00 to be paid by this weekend secures a seat on the coach. Please see Coach list and pick up venues in the porch.

**Vocations Weekend for young women (20s and 30s)** Theme: Discerning God's Call in my life Dates: 26th - 28th May 2017 Location: Broadstairs, Kent The weekend is organised by the sisters, Faithful Companions of Jesus (FCJ). There will be input from the FCJ sisters on different aspects of vowed life, and time for prayer, reflection and discussion with other young women who are also considering a vocation to religious life. It is an opportunity to live community life for a weekend and meet some sisters! For more information contact Sr Lynne fcJ at <u>lynnefcj@hotmail.com</u> or visit our website <u>www.fcjsisters.org</u>

**The Sisters of Charity of St. Paul the Apostle** Selly Park Birmingham, have two job opportunities available. See notice board. **St Thomas More's real ale festival**, taking place on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup>. April. Entrance is £5, which includes a programme and a £3 refundable glass deposit.See poster in porch for more details.

**Catholic Women's League (CWL)** Sale of Home-made Cakes, raffle and lunches after Mass on Saturday 6th May and after Sunday Masses 7th May, In aid of Syrian Refugees. Please support us.

**Friday 28th April - Monday 1st May:** The Taizé community are coming to Birmingham this weekend. Around six hundred young adults will be arriving from twenty different countries. The time of Prayer are as follows, all are welcome. Friday: 7.30pm; Saturday: 1.15pm & 7.00pm; Sunday: 7.30pm; Monday : 10.30am (All Prayers at St. Martin in the Bullring, except Monday at St. Chad's Cathedral) During the weekend there will be an information point at Carrs Lane Church (B4 7SX), details of afternoon workshops will be available there or at taize.fr/birmingham For details see notice board in porch.

In 2018, Pope Francis will meet Bishops and others to talk about Youth, Faith and Vocational Discernment. At this gathering, they will discuss how the Catholic Church can accompany young people in their faith and help them to hear God's call. If you are aged between 13-29 years old, the Catholic Church in England and Wales would like to hear from you, we want to hear what life is like, your thoughts on faith and connection with the Catholic Church. To help you tell us we have created a Mega Youth Poll that you can access using this link <a href="https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll">https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/parish-youth-poll</a>

or by searching for 'Catholic Mega Youth Poll.' If you are over this age limit but would like to help, please encourage the young people you know to respond to this poll.

**Teacher Training information**. Taking place next Wednesday, 3rd May, 9-11 am at Bishop Challoner Catholic School in Kings Heath. We are actively recruiting for trainee teachers from the community to start their training with us this September. See poster in porch for more details.

**OSCOTT COLLEGE-** annual Marian Procession-Saturday 13th May 8pm by torchlight in the grounds of the College. See poster in porch for details.

Readers this week Eucharistic Ministers this week				
SUNDAY	SUNDAY			
9.00am Teresa Cund	9.00am Mary & Don Deneny			
Gerry Coburn	Joan & Dan Doyle			
11.00am Sarah Pitchford	11.00am H.Brookes			
Chris Hodrien	Eilish Duffy			
Cleaning Rota: for week beginning May 1st for Services May 6th/7th –E				
Annie Fuller, Teresa Donovan, Rebecca Davies				
Flower Rota: - for week beginning May 1st for Services May 6th/7th-Sue Hodrien				

#### Please remember in your prayers the sick of the Parish

Jayne Hemming	Brian Jones	Anne White	Joseph Lockington
Clare Farmer	James Farmer	Kathleen McLoughlin	Martha Sheridan
Katie Kelly	Patricia Jones	Eilish Duffy	Mick Green
Andrew Simpson	Bernadette Day	Anthony Sadler	Patrick Gallagher
Christopher Browne	Kate McAvinney	Sarah Maloney	John Balder
Ann Marie Boyd	Kathy Stead	Amando Tenorio	Heath Balder
Maureen McLoughlin	Louisa and Nick	Margaret Kelly	Teresa Farrelley
Joseph Farmer	Peggy Roper	Therese Coulton	Chris Docker
Baby Lily Day	Rose Walsh	Aidan, Patrick and Michael O'Donnell	Norman Hart
Martine and Rita McDonnell	Raymond Shenstone	Cornelius Callanan	Doreen Shirley
Sally & Maddy	John Keaney	Glen Hughes	Finbarr Herron
Michael Cassidy	Susanna Gordon	Mark Andrew Sutton	David Nunan
Dean	Gavin Jones	Baby Lara Constantinou	Julia Taleekder
Richard Bird	Suzanne RhodenTench	Tony Duffy	

The Holy Spirit comes to help us in our Weakness. (Romans 8:26)

Holy Spirit, come! I need your support in so many ways, often just to get through the day. Often I feel so inadequate for meeting all life's demands. Holy Spirit, help me to cope! to have the strength never to give in, but to grow ever stronger in faith!

Promise of the Father, when the Apostles were afraid you came to them and filled them with confidence and strength.

Holy Spirit, come down on me also. Strengthen me with that confidence, so that I too may be ready to share your love with others. Amen. Come, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts. Enkindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your gifts of grace and we will be renewed.

Prayer of St Mariam Baouardy-Sr Mary of Jesus Crucified

Holy Spirit, inspire me Love of God, consume me In the right path lead me Mary,My Mother, watch over me With Jesus bless me From all evil, all illusion All danger, preserve me

**Please pray for:** Dr Maurine Elisabeth Scull (Reception Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 5pm; Requiem Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> May 11.00am-Burial St Francis of Assisi Baddesley Clinton), Angela D'Arcy (Reception Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May, Requiem, Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 10am) Peter Griffin,(Requiem,Olton Friary,Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May 10.15am; Reception Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May 5pm) Mary Edge, Helen Treanor and Sally Meehan who died recently. Also Albert Eric Newman, Ann Tyndall, Jonathan Buckley, Mary & Thomas Moran, Alfred Baker, Patrick Ryan, Mary Hannah Murphy, Joseph Charles Callaghan, Helenah Oldfield, Michael Rochfort, Selena Helena Beggan, Ken White, Wincenty (Victor) Zarebski, Mary Griffin, Anthony Francis and Agnes Theresa Kilcoyne whose anniversaries are at this time.

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