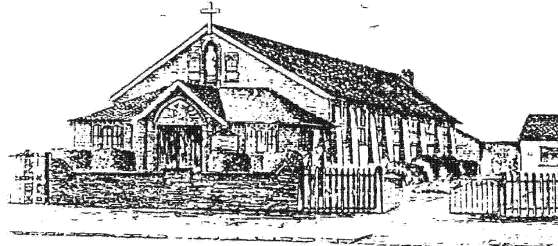


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DIARY FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY 9th MAY 2010- SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTERTIDE [C]

Please keep this bulletin for 2 weeks.

Sunday: 9.30am People of the Parish
 Special Remembrance of Maureen Fitzpatrick
Wednesday: 4.30pm **Reception into Church of Frances Kirk**
Thursday: 1.00pm **Requiem Mass – Frances Kirk** - followed by interment at Saffron Hill Cemetery
Friday: 10.00am Liturgy of the Word & Communion *St Matthias, Apostle*
 10.30-11.30am **Exposition – Watching & Prayer in Atonement and Reparation**
 4.00-5.00pm **Exposition**
 7.00-8.00pm **Exposition**

SUNDAY 16th MAY 2010- THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD [C] World Communications Sunday

Sunday: 9.30am People of the Parish *Thank you to Fr Simon for offering Mass today.*
Friday: 10.00am Mass – Maureen Hobbs *Easter Feria*
As Friday above **Exposition – Watching & Prayer in Atonement and Reparation**

SUNDAY 23rd MAY 2010 – PENTECOST SUNDAY [C]

Sunday: 9.30am People of the Parish
 Special remembrance of Edward Hope [Anniv]
 4.00pm **Baptism – Aliyah Kaye Santiago**

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

RECENTLY DECEASED: Please pray for the repose of the soul of **Frances Kirk**, known as **Fran**, who died on Monday 3rd May, aged 94 years. I would like to thank Julie La Menza who faithfully and caringly visited Fran every Friday and took her Holy Communion. For Fran and her very good friend, Ivy, it was the highlight of the week to receive Our Lord. It was Julie who alerted me after taking her Holy Communion last Friday morning and then helped me to get to Fran to anoint her and give her the "Last Rites". We thank God for such a long life and pray that she will be welcomed into God's Kingdom. We also remember in our prayers her children and their families that the Lord will be their strength and support at this time. **May she rest in peace.**

CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Eastertide we are asked to pray for these intentions: New members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work

INTENTIONS OF POPE BENEDICT XVI FOR MAY: General: That the laity and the Christian communities may be responsible promoters of priestly and religious vocations. **Mission:** That all those involved in apostolic work may enliven the communities entrusted to their care with missionary enthusiasm.

PRAYER FOR THE SICK: Charlie Mulholland, Margaret Bowe, John Mullen, Mary Brown, Ivy Pritchard, Rose Gray, Jimmy Flynn, Joe Anderson, Patricia O'Rourke, Denise Geary, Peggy Irwin, Kathleen Logue (hospital), Joe LaMenza and also Fr Peter. Please also remember some priests in the diocese who are sick: Mgr Jonathan Moore, Fr Robert Routledge, Fr Neil McLaughlin, Fr John Abbot and Fr Hugh Doherty

ANNIVERSARIES TWO WEEKS: Enid Betteridge, Fr Joseph Wakefield, Kathleen Leatherland, Violet Barker, Fr Philip Morris, Margaret Harrison, Anne Bates, Canon John Merrigan, Hilda Armitage, Fr Michael Quigley, Fr Thomas Godley, Canon James Cantwell, Margaret Roberts, Peter Meagher, Frank Walsh, Maureen Tusson, Henryk Korzeniewski, Mary Creagh, Martha (Win) O'Hanlon, Winifred Flynn, Fr Gerard McSpirit, Madeleine McDonagh, Fr Derl Daly **May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.**

YEAR FOR PRIESTS: 19 June 2009 - 19 June 2010. Pope Benedict XVI has called the whole Church to celebrate a Year for Priests beginning on 19th June 2009, the Feast of the Sacred Heart. Bishop Malcolm asks us to pray each day for priests. Please use the prayer card and keep priests in your prayers during this special year. We value your prayerful support and are strengthened and encouraged by it. Thank you.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION: Envelopes - **£205.00.** Loose - **£58.06.** Total - **£263.06.** Thank you!

PARISH QUOTA COLLECTION - will be taken **this Sunday 9th May** during the Communion hymn.

PARISH MINISTRIES

Ministry of Welcome:
Ministry of Reader:

**Offertory Collection &
 Offertory Procession
 Church Cleaning
 Tea/Coffee
 Flowers**

9th May

Payne Family
 Emma Asfaw
 Barbara Mackness
 F O'Hara, M Wainwright
 N Needham, C O'Donovan
 Margaret & Christopher
 Mary & Tony
 Margaret B

16th May

Fitzpatrick Family
 Angela Fitzpatrick
 Helen Bray
 P Vaughan, M Parker
 K Moore, C Sweeney
 Margaret & Christopher
 Julie & Tony
 Margaret B

23rd May

Margaret McCay
 Mary Teresa Gibbs
 Charles Sweeney
 M McCay, T Greene
 M Moore, H Bray
 Margaret & Christopher
 Liz & Joanne
 Fiona

REPARATION & ATONEMENT

Now, we believe, is a time for deep prayer of reparation and atonement. We invite Catholics in England and Wales to make the four Fridays in May 2010 special days of prayer. Even when we are lost for words, we can place ourselves in silent prayer. We invite Catholics on these days to come before the Blessed Sacrament in our parishes to pray to God for healing, forgiveness and a renewed dedication. We pray for all who have suffered abuse; for those who mishandled these matters and added to the suffering of those affected. From this prayer we do not exclude those who have committed these sins of abuse. They have a journey of repentance and atonement to make. We pray also for Pope Benedict, whose wise and courageous leadership is so important for the Church at this time. We propose 3 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament to give most if not all an opportunity to come, watch and pray.

- **10.30-11.30am** for those who are able to come in the morning after Mass/Service
- **4.00-5.00pm** just after school ending to come with their children.
- **7.00-8.00pm** for those who have come from work.

During Exposition times there needs to be at least one person watching. Each hour has been split into three 20 minute slots. Please put your name down on the watching list.

Please make a special effort to come along and pray. It does not have to be for a specific length of time except for those committing to the 20 minutes. As people of faith believing in the benefit and power of prayer it will be an important way of responding to these terrible crimes and sins.

PARISH AGM

At the Parish AGM last Tuesday, the following officers were elected from the nominations returned last week:

Chairperson – Charles Sweeney

Treasurer – Frank O'Hara

Minute Secretary – Tim Ward

A big thank you to those who offered to serve the parish in this way and our congratulations to those who were elected to act as your representatives as above. It is a great shame that only four slips were returned and that so few attended the meeting.....

A TASTE OF THE WORLD

What a wonderful and enjoyable evening! It was really good to see so many of you there enjoying the different foods and mixing with one another. There was a terrific variety of food from so many countries. The names of some I had heard of but did not know what they were until I saw them on the tables. It was a really happy and amicable atmosphere –

even with the raucous group on the quiz answers and the bias of raffle winners at one end of the hall!!!! Thanks to Tim & Charles for organizing it and promoting it in a variety of ways. Thanks to all those who provided the various food dishes – so many and so much! Thanks to those who set up the hall – the national flags on the walls were a very appropriate touch. I wish I had a candid camera to catch those putting up the marquee on the lawn – very entertaining! Thanks to all those who washed up and cleared up and helped in any way to make the evening so marvellous. I for one thoroughly enjoyed it. The raffle, donations on the evening and other gifts raised **£300** for our charity. Well done and thank you to all who supported this event in any way, not least in coming and sharing the food and one another's company.

Our next social gathering is a **Parish Barbecue on Saturday 5th June** from 6.00pm. Tickets – Adults £2. Family £5. Please get your tickets so that numbers can be judged for sufficient food. Of course there will be a small raffle. All proceeds for our parish charity. Let's have another wonderful evening together.

After the recent Bishops' Conference Bishop Malcolm has sent these two messages: The Papal Visit

I can now give you an outline of what will be happening during the visit, though this is a provisional programme and may be changed.

Thursday 16 September

Arrival at Edinburgh Airport; meeting with the Queen at Holyroodhouse; Mass at Bellahouston Park, Glasgow and then to London.

Friday 17 September

Prayer with Religious and a celebration of Catholic Education at St Mary's, Strawberry Hill; meeting with other Faith leaders at Strawberry Hill; meeting with Archbishop of Canterbury at Lambeth Palace; televised address at Westminster Hall; Evening Prayer at Westminster Abbey.

Saturday 18 September

Mass in Westminster Cathedral; pastoral visit to St Peter's Home for the Elderly, Vauxhall; drive through central London and Prayer Vigil in Hyde Park.

Sunday 19 September

Beatification Mass at Coventry Airport; lunch with the Bishops at Oscott; meeting with the Bishops at Oscott; departure for Rome

from Birmingham International Airport.

Papal Visit Collection

Although this is a State Visit, as dioceses we will have to make a financial contribution. There will be a second collection in all our churches on **Pentecost Sunday – the weekend of 22/23 May 2010**, to be announced on **8th/9th May**. The target for this collection is £1 million and our diocesan target is £45,000. Every parish will receive from Eccleston Square a package containing a letter from Archbishop Nichols and Cardinal O'Brien, instructions regarding the collection, gift aid envelopes, 4 posters and sufficient prayer cards for everyone attending Mass on that day. The gift aid envelopes are printed and addressed to CaTEW, this organisation handles financial matters for the Bishops' Conference, and the Chairman has undertaken that the database of names, collected by CaTEW for the purposes of this collection, will not be used for any other fundraising.

SURVIVE-MIVA APPEAL

Founded in 1974, Survive-Miva is a Catholic lay Association and a Registered Charity, whose patron is the Archbishop of Liverpool. Its objective is to provide transport in the developing world, Central & South America, Africa and Asia, for missionaries and others directly involved in -

- Pastoral & Development work
- Healthcare and educational projects
- Relief of poverty
- Advancement of religion

Survive-Miva's aim, in funding mobility, to support and widen the outreach work being done by those who share their lives with the world's poor. Suitable transport is essential for this. A volunteer speaker will make the appeal for Survive-Miva at Mass **next Sunday 16th May**. Please be as generous as you can. Thank you.

Find the Joker

Winner Keith Moore picked G4 – 9 of Clubs. Prize money now about **£280.50**.

Tickets £1 are on sale after Mass

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGES

The Nottingham Diocese Parish & Schools Walsingham Pilgrimage will take place on **Sunday 20th June**.

SUMMER FAYRE

Please make a note in your diary for this fundraising and social event on **26th June** and begin looking for items for the stalls and prizes. Thank you.

God Bless you and yours

Fr Peter & Deacon John

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