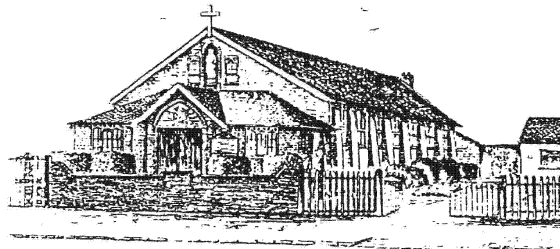


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DIARY FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY 23rd MAY 2010 – PENTECOST SUNDAY [C]

Week 8 of the Year

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

Monday: 10.00am Mass – Mary Creagh (Anniv) *Feria*

Wednesday: 10.00am Mass – Matthew Aspell RIP *St Philip Neri*

Friday: 10.00am Eileen Doyle [ints] *Feria*
 10.30-11.30am **Exposition – Watching & Prayer in Atonement and Reparation**
 7.00-8.00pm **Exposition**

SUNDAY 30th MAY 2010 – TRINITY SUNDAY [C]

Week 9 of the Year

Sunday: 9.30am People of the Parish
 Special remembrance of Sam Hourihan [Anniv]

Masses: Jack Murray, Special intention [AS], private intention

REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS

CYCLE OF PRAYER: During Ordinary Time until September we are asked to pray for these intentions: a deeper understanding between Christians and Jews; those who suffer persecution, oppression and denial of human rights; Europe; human life; Seafarers and their families.

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, 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: Mary Creagh, Martha (Win) O'Hanlon, Winifred Flynn, Madeleine McDonagh, Fr Derl Daly, Canon Christopher McKeown, Fr Charles Wall, Frances Bird, Niall McGrath, Fr John Mack, Fr William Walsh, Elizabeth Mullahy, Mary Clarke, Sylvester (Sam) Hourihan. **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 - **£116.48**. Loose - **£46.50**. Total - **£162.98**. Thank you!

PARISH QUOTA COLLECTION - will be taken on **Sunday 13th June** during the Communion hymn.

PARISH MINISTRIES	23rd May	30th May	6th June
Ministry of Welcome:	Margaret McCay	Nora Needham	Young People
Ministry of Reader:	Mary Teresa Gibbs	Elisabeth Gibbs	Catherine Gee Young
	Charles Sweeney	Tim Ward	Molly Jones
Offertory Collection & Offertory Procession	M McCay, T Greene	F O'Hara, M Wainwright	Young People
Church Cleaning	M Moore, H Bray	N Needham, C O'Donovan	
Tea/Coffee	Margaret & Christopher	Margaret & Christopher	A Fitzpatrick & Liz Jones
Flowers	Liz & Joanne	Charles & Volunteer	Mary & Tony
	Fiona	Fiona	Margaret M

We urgently need more people to be involved in all ministries. If you can help by doing a ministry, then please come forward. Thank you to those who volunteer for ministry already.

REPARATION & ATONEMENT

Now, we believe, is a time for deep prayer of reparation and atonement. We invite Catholics in England and Wales on Fridays in May to come before the Blessed Sacrament in our parishes to pray to God for healing, forgiveness and a renewed dedication.

Two 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
- **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 for this last Friday 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.

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

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 – this 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.

Please be as generous as you can.

Thank you.

Easter Duties – reception of Holy Communion and confession where necessary – should be fulfilled between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday (30th May).

MAY PROCESSION

We will hold our annual May procession **this Sunday 23rd May**, as the weather forecast is good. Our children will lead us in procession to Our Lady's statue in the remembrance garden. We will say a decade of the Rosary for deceased parishioners and loved ones.

DIOCESAN YEAR BOOK 2010

The Diocesan Year Book 2010 is now on sale at £3.00. It includes interesting news items from the past year, some feature articles, colour photographs, useful directory of all parishes with Mass times, personnel, convents and schools in the Diocese.

PARISH BARBECUE

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.

SURVIVE-MIVA APPEAL

Thank you very much for your generous response to the appeal for Survive-Miva last Sunday. The amount given was £154 and will be well used towards finding transport solutions for those working on the missions. Thank you!

AWAKENING

Mother of God Parish invite you to Awakening, a 50 Day perpetual Eucharistic Adoration and Intercession campaign, **which ends today Pentecost Sunday May 23rd at 3.00pm**. Come and spend some time with the Lord. See the poster and covering letter.

Find the Joker

Winner Kim Bradshaw picked C1 – King of Spades. Prize money now **£304**. Tickets £1 are on sale after Mass

WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGES

The Nottingham Diocese Parish & Schools Walsingham Pilgrimage will take place on **Sunday 20th June**. As last year we hope to have some sort of transport going from the deanery. In the meantime be thinking about it.

A Day with Mary Pilgrimage **Sunday 30th May**. See poster.

The First National Divine Mercy Pilgrimage on **Saturday 5th June** – the Eve of Corpus Christi 11.am – 5.30pm. A coach from Leicester leaving at 8.00am and returning approx 8.00pm. Cost £10. More information: Mary Cosgrove 2912103 (evenings) or Mary Sage 2102025. See poster.

RODSLEY PILGRIMAGE

The Diocesan Annual Pilgrimage to the birthplace of St Ralph Sherwin, will be on **Sunday 13th June** with Mass following the procession at 3.15pm. See poster

WORLD YOUTH DAY

Next year's World Youth Day Pilgrimage will be taking place in Madrid from 11th-22nd August 2011. Are you aged 18-25 years by August next year and interested in joining the Leicester group? Then come along to our first meeting this **Sunday 23rd May** at 6.00pm at St Patrick's, Beaumont Leys Lane, to find out more. Approx cost £500 per person but we would hope to raise at least half of this amount with fundraising. You can also contact Fr Martin Hardy, Angela Bailey or Ian Goodrich by email:

leicesterwyd@gmail.com

GIFT AID TAX REBATE

I am pleased to say that we have recently received from the Inland Revenue **£947.52 for the 3rd quarter 2009/2010. This is the amount paid back to the parish from the taxman from the weekly offerings of those who Gift Aid their donations.** Thank you to all who give through the Gift Aid Scheme. This is a wonderful way to make your weekly offering go further and help the parish. If you pay tax on your income or savings, why not Gift aid your donations. **For every £1 you give the taxman pays the parish an extra 28p.** Sign up today See Keith Moore for details and a form. I would like to thank Keith who runs this scheme for the parish. **Thank you.**

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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