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OUR PARISH NEWSLETTER - 5th May 2019

Third Sunday of Easter - Year C : Weekdays - Year 1

1st Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-28 Psalm: 15

Psalm Response: **Show us, Lord, the path of life**

2nd Reading: 1 Peter 1: 17-21 Gospel: Luke 24:13-35

May Devotions

Fr Gerard writes: As Catholics, we know that the month of May has been dedicated by the Church in honour of Our Lady. It is traditional for families to celebrate May devotions in their homes, and as a child I remember praying the Rosary as a family at my grandparents' home, and singing at school 'O Mary we crown thee with blossoms today.' Marian theology has not changed. Mary is the new Eve, a perpetual virgin, an intercessor, a model for our Christian life, and part of God the Father's plan to save us through her Son Jesus Christ. In this Easter season we sing the Regina Cæli and the most moving part of this hymn for me is 'Pray for us to God, Alleluia.' Although there will be no procession for Our Lady in our parish this May it is my intention to have a Marian procession in October, the month of the Holy Rosary.

Our faith is all about Love, and Mary can help us to love Jesus with all our heart, mind and soul. Whenever we grow closer to Jesus' mother, our mother, we grow closer to Jesus - because Mary always brings us to Jesus.

Here are a few ideas for May devotions in our homes:

Plant a Mary Garden : If you have an outdoor area which you can dedicate to the Blessed Mother, set up a nice garden statue of her and plant some pretty flowers in her honour. This is a great activity to do as a family or with little ones.

May Altar : Set up a dedicated area in the home with statues, pictures, and holy cards of Our Lady. Decorate it with a special table cloth and set up pretty flowers. You could include candles too, if you'd like. Have your children take fresh flowers to present to Our Lady.

May Crowning : Many parishes have a May crowning in honour of the Blessed Mother. It's a very special way for little ones to get involved in honouring the Queen of Heaven.

Saying the Rosary : The Beauty of the Rosary is that it helps us to think of the Mysteries of Christ. The Rosary can be said on your own or with others.

Marian Hymns : What's your favourite hymn to Mary? I have many. Sing them or listen to them on YouTube or on Amazon Alexa.

Retiring Collection for NEXT Sunday

A Special Collection for the Education of Future Priests (Gift Aid)

Peter Clark RIP

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Peter Clark RIP. Peter, who was a long standing member of St Hugh's community and sacristan for many years, passed away peacefully last Sunday with his loving family around him. His Requiem Mass will be held here at St Hugh of Lincoln Church at 2.30pm on Tuesday 14th May 2019.

“Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen”

ONE THOUSAND-plus ROSARIES for Fr GERARD

We give thanks for Fr Gerard's steady and ongoing recovery, and we continue our prayers for his return to full health. Rosaries prayed to date 1491

Easter Vigil Welcome

Easter Blessings to all, and a special Welcome to those who were received into the Church at the Easter Vigil. We welcome three younger members of the Parish :

David Iyabi and **Jason Iyabi** were Baptised at the Easter Vigil, and **Isla Powell** was received into Full Communion with the Church and made her First Holy Communion.

Five Adult members also became Full Members of our Parish community :

Andrew Ayres, **Nina McGill** and **Michael Iyabi** were Baptised; and **Mark Houston** and **Melissa Powell** were received into Full Communion with the Church. All five adults were Confirmed and made their First Holy Communion. Congratulations, and a warm welcome to all.

Prayers and Help for the Sick and the Housebound

We offer our prayers for all the sick and the housebound. Additionally, many people are in desperate need of food, clothing and shelter. Please remember in your prayers all these people, and assist by your generous contributions to all our Parish charity events throughout the year.

TRAINING SESSIONS led by Fr Dominic - in the Parish Hall

For anyone in the Parish, and there can be 15 places for each Session so please register your interest at the Parish Office.

- Sat 8 June **Communication:** Verbal and Non-Verbal Communication: 10am-1pm
Am I clear what I want to say to whom? Pitfalls and how to avoid them. Feedback
- Sat 22 June **Meetings:** People in Groups. Structure. Leadership: 10am-2pm
Chairing Meetings. Recording Follow up.
- Sat 13 July **Conflict Management:** Difference is O.K. 10am-2pm Listening.
Emotional Intelligence. Proposals. Agreement. Feedback.

Gift Aid Statements

If you Gift Aided your donations to the Parish during the last Financial Year, **please collect your Statement as you leave Mass today.** Would you like to add 25% to your offerings to the Parish? If you pay tax on your salary, pension, dividends or interest, it is very easy - You complete a simple form and we do the hard work of claiming from the Government the tax you have paid. Please enquire as you leave today.

Vacancy for a full time Class Teacher for September 2019 at St. Dunstan's Catholic Primary School, Woking. Closing date for applications Monday 13th May 2019.

Application forms and the job description are available to download on eteach website or on the school website under vacancies. Alternatively please contact the Headteacher's PA Mrs A. Murray at amurray@stdunstans.surrey.sch.uk

ENCOUNTER Evening (for 16-35s) on Thursday 9th May at St Dunstan's Woking

The ENCOUNTER programme is about making friends and deepening faith in a relaxed, welcoming environment. There is food, music, inspiring talks, and powerful times of prayer. What's more, it's totally free, and there's no need to book. We make a point of welcoming people and making sure nobody is left out, so if you're worried you've got nobody to come with, don't be - we'll look out for you! we've got a great speaker lined up for the first evening, and we are hoping this is something that will run for a long time.

INSPIRE 2019: Postponed

Jack Regan: Diocesan Youth Officer writes: 'Due to low bookings we have taken the decision to postpone the 'INSPIRE' day for youth leaders which **was scheduled for Saturday 11th May**. An alternative date will be advertised very soon.'

You are warmly invited to a presentation of the ninth episode of '*Catholicism - a journey to the heart of the faith*', by Bishop Robert Barron, on **Saturday 11th May, 2019**. This is a Chilworth Abbey Study Day given by Fr John Seddon OSB at St Augustine's Abbey, Chilworth, GU4 8QR. The day begins with Mass at 9.00 am, followed by coffee. The film investigates '*The Fire of His Love: Prayer and the life of the Spirit*', which will be followed by teaching and discussion. Midday prayer and lunch will divide the day which concludes at 4.00 pm. Bring a packed lunch and if you can, a friend. Tea and coffee is provided. Website: chilworthbenedictines.com

St John Vianney Group: A group for men, aged 18-45 who wish to explore whether they have a calling to the priesthood. The next meeting takes place from 3-6pm on Sunday **19th May** at Christ the Prince of Peace Church, Weybridge KT13 8JD. For more details contact the Fr. Con Foley - 01932 842643 or email foleycon@gmail.com

Parish Project - The voting slips have been counted and the results are as follows:

Overseas Project: Aid to the Church in Need 18 / Ahotokurom 64

Home Project: Woking Hospice 27 / York Road 28 / Woking Mind 29

5% of our weekly offering will be divided between the two chosen charities and forwarded to them regularly. Please feel free to do some independent fundraising to add to the parish amounts.

Our parish has raised some £20,000 for Woking Hospice over the last couple of years. Thank you.

Afternoon of Reflection and Pentecost Vigil Mass of Thanksgiving for New Catholics

Bishop Richard invites all new Catholics of the Diocese together with their godparents, sponsors, family and friends to join him for an afternoon of reflection and prayer at Arundel Cathedral on **Saturday 8th June** concluding with a Pentecost Vigil Mass of Thanksgiving at 5pm.

Grandparents' Pilgrimage 2019: On Wednesday, **12th June** to the Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation at West Grinstead. For more information contact Katherine Bergin at katherine.bergin@dabnet.org or Tel: 01293 651152.

Matched Giving : Many companies (Lloyds, NatWest, Barclays, M & S, Argos, Sainsbury's, BT, Thames Water and many, many more) support charities through a Matched Giving scheme. If you are an employee of a company that supports charities and you are willing to personally be involved in a stall at the Summer Fayre (even for an hour) contact Anne on 01483 480677 or email: am.rushton@bopenworld.com. Whatever monies the stall makes that you are part of, your company will match it. As easy as that! Perhaps you or your company would be willing to sponsor a stall or donate a prize for the Grand Draw? Please get in touch.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thu	9	May	RCIA meeting in the Parish Hall at 8pm
Tue	7	May	First Holy Communion meeting in the Parish Hall: 6.30pm-8pm
Thu	9	May	Requiem Mass for Mrs Elizabeth McEvoy RIP: 2pm
Sat	11	May	Confirmation meeting in the Parish Hall: 4.15pm-6.15pm
Mon	13	May	Parish Finance Committee meeting in the Parish Hall: 8pm
Tue	14	May	First Holy Communion Catechists' meeting in the Parish Hall: 8pm
Mon	20	May	Mass followed by Confirmation Rehearsal at OLHC, West Byfleet: 7pm
Fri	24	May	Sacrament of Confirmation at OLHC, West Byfleet: 7pm
Wed	29	May	Vigil Mass of the Ascension at 7.30pm
Thu	30	May	Ascension of Our Lord - <i>Holy Day of Obligation</i>: Masses at 10am & 8pm
Fri	31	May	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary - <i>Day of Abstinence</i>
Fri	31	Jun	Summer Fayre - an early reminder

Fr Gerard will celebrate these Masses at his Parents' Home

<u>May</u>	<u>Intentions</u>	<u>Requested by</u>
Sun 5	For the People of the Parish	Pro Populo
Tue 7	Elizabeth Sullivan RIP	Roderick & Maureen O'Connor

LITURGY TIMES & MASS INTENTIONS

Third Sunday of Easter - 5th May 2019

Sat	4	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Jim Moore RIP
Sun	5	9.30am	Morning Mass	Don Dunne RIP & 5 th Birthday Anniversary of Daniel Dunning RIP
Sun	5	11.30am	Morning Mass	Intentions of Larkham Family
			<i>Monday 6th to Wednesday 8th & Friday 10th May</i>	<i>Mass at St Dunstan's at 10am.</i>
Thu	9	2pm	Requiem Mass	Elizabeth McAvoy RIP

Fourth Sunday of Easter - 12th May 2019

Sat	11	6.30pm	Vigil Mass	Chris O'Riordon RIP
Sun	12	9.30am	Morning Mass	Philip Felix RIP
Sun	12	11.30am	Morning Mass	Kasamaki Family Intentions

Sacrament of Reconciliation 5.45pm - 6.10pm on Saturdays

Vespers and Adoration - 6.00pm Sunday

Offertory Collection (cash & standing orders) last weekend: £1,089.47. Many thanks.



The Regina Cæli

The Angelus honours the Incarnation by commemorating the Angel's greeting to Mary and her free acceptance of her destined role in the Salvation of mankind. It is traditionally said at 6am, noon, and 6pm.

During Eastertide the Regina Cæli replaces the Angelus.

“Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia!

For he whom you were worthy to bear, alleluia!

Has risen as he said, alleluia!

Pray for us to God, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!

For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia!

Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ, grant that we may obtain, through His Virgin Mother, the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord, Amen.”