

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY &

ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



7th SUNDAY OF EASTER 13th MAY 2018

Sat 12 th	6.30pm	Brian Randall RIP
Sun 13 th	8.30am	Adrian Brown RIP
	10.30am	
Mon 14 th	10.00am	St Matthias, Apostle
Tue 15 th	10.00am	Fr Gerald Young
Wed 16 th	10.00am	
Thu 17 th	10.00am	Maureen Lyden
Fri 18 th	No mass	<i>Friday abstinence</i>

Please note that mass intentions as set out above may not always be read out, but the intention is offered

Holy Hour: Saturday 5.15 - 6.15 pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45 - 6.15 pm

Or by appointment with Fr. Denis

Family Mass: 1st Sunday 10.30 am

Latin Mass: 1st Sunday 3.00 pm

(extraordinary form)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Parish Day of Prayer: 1st Wednesday 10.30 to 6.30pm

Children's liturgy: There will now be a regular 'family mass' on the first Sunday of every month. Children's liturgy will be held weekly at the 10.30 Sunday Mass.

Please remember in your prayers:



We pray especially for the sick of the parish and for those who care for and support them, especially Mick Balls, and Helen Fitzgibbons. We remember those who have died recently, Brendan O'Reilly, Marguerite Wilson and those whose anniversaries occur at this time, namely, Margaret Ferraris, Brian Randall, Vincenza Luggeri, Elsie Smith, Peter Jones, Peter Davey, Frederick Szymczek, Francesco Picillo, Walter Picking and Daniel Barrett.

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The Kingdom Remains:

Today's First Reading begins by giving us a time frame—the events take place during the days between Christ's Ascension and Pentecost. We're at the same point in our liturgical year. On Thursday we celebrated His being taken up in glory, and next Sunday we will celebrate His sending of the Spirit upon the Church.

Jesus' prayer in the Gospel today also captures the mood of departure and the anticipation. He is telling us today how it will be when He is no longer in the world. By His Ascension, the Lord has established His throne in heaven, as we sing in today's Psalm. His kingdom is His Church, which continues His mission on earth.

Jesus fashioned His kingdom as a new Jerusalem, and a new house of David (Psalm 122:4-5). He entrusted this kingdom to His Twelve Apostles, who were to preside at the Eucharistic table and to rule with Him over the restored twelve tribes of Israel.

The Twelve Apostles symbolize the twelve tribes and hence the fulfilment of God's plan for Israel (Galatians 6:16). That's why it is crucial to replace Judas—so that the Church in its fullness receives the Spirit at Pentecost.

Peter's leadership of the Apostles is another key element of the Church as it is depicted today. Notice that Peter is unquestionably in control, interpreting the Scriptures, deciding a course of action, even defining the nature of the apostolic ministry.

No one has ever seen God, as we hear in today's Epistle. Yet, through the Church founded on His Apostles, the witnesses to the resurrection, the world will come to know and believe in God's love, that He sent His Son to be our saviour.

Through the Church, Jesus' pledge still comes to us—that if we love, God will remain with us in our trials and protects us from the evil one. By His word of truth He will help us grow in holiness, the perfection of love.

MISSIO - APP MISSION

Members please leave your red boxes at back of church to be emptied in May. There will be an appeal for new members this weekend when parishioners can take home a box or make an annual contribution directly to the Missions. The total amount collected in 2017 was £820. Thank you for your generosity.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

RC Hospital Chaplain:
Contact Tel: Mobile:
07876 526935 Lister
01438 285518,

For all general parish enquiries contact:
Parish Office: Tel:
01462 893127
Church Hall Hire:
Please contact parish office 01462 893127

Baptism Preparation:
For further information please contact Richard and Marie Miller Tel: 01462 490630.

RCIA Course: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults programme consists of regular weekly meetings. If you would like to find out more please speak directly to Fr Denis.

St. John's School is our Catholic Parish Primary School. Parish families are welcome to visit and have a tour of the school. Please come to the School Office or contact the Head teacher, Ms Alex Hanou on 01462 892478 The school website is www.stjohns4.herts.sch.uk

Newsletter: Please submit items for inclusion, preferably by Tuesday evening, by either emailing the dedicated newsletter email address (baldock.rcc@ntlworld.com) or handing them to Fr. Denis. Thank you

VATICAN NEWS
Remember that you can keep up with all the latest news from The Vatican at the Official Vatican Network www.news.va/en.

Your Safeguarding Representative is Tom Keating 07909892178 The Safeguarding Representative has special responsibility for promoting good and safe practices in all activities involving children, young people and adults at risk.

Baldock Catholic Scout Group
For boys and girls aged 6 to 14. Contact: enquiries@2ndbaldockscouts.org.uk

BALDOCK FESTIVAL 4th TO 20th MAY - CHURCH BOTTLE TOMBOLA

We are running a bottle tombola stall at the Festival Street Fair on Saturday 19th May and would be grateful for any bottles of drink you can supply. There will be a box in the porch for your donations, and nearer the time a list for helpers on the day. Thank you in anticipation of your generosity, as all money from this event will go towards our Church building projects.

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Our next coffee morning will be on Thursday 24th May April after the 10am mass. The sacrament fo the sick will be administered during the mass. We provide the tea/ coffee & cakes all you have to provide is the chat !! All cake donations very welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES DATES

9th June 11am -2pm

EXTRA- ORDINARY EUCHARIST MINISTERS' DAY

16th June 10am - 12.30pm finishing with Lunch.

OUR ANNUAL OPEN-AIR MASS & PARISH BARBECUE

8th July 10.30am

RCIA 2018 - 2019

Are you an adult non-Catholic interested in exploring what Christianity and the Catholic faith are about? Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic? If your answer is yes, then the Holy Trinity RCIA programme (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) may be for you. It consists of regular weekly meetings, which begin on **12th June at 7.30 in the Holy Family room**; if you would like to find out more please speak directly to Fr.

Denis or phone the parish office on 01462 893127. Alternatively, contact your local parish priest as most parishes run a RCIA course.

FEAST OF ST MATTHIAS

With a Feast Day of May 14th, Matthias was, according to the Acts of The Apostles, the Apostle who replaced Judas Iscariot after Judas had betrayed Our Lord. Uniquely, he is the only Apostle not called by Jesus, as Our Lord had already died. He was selected to be one of the Twelve following Jesus' ascension, which is why his Feast is celebrated after The Feast of The Ascension.

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW EVANGELISATION

We welcome Deacon Adrian Cullen to speak to us about setting up a Parish Evangelisation team on **Wednesday 23rd May 7.30 - 9.15**. Through a workshop format, participants will be encouraged to share ideas and hear about successful evangelising experiences. The evening will help in the setting up of a parish team to plan and develop local evangelisation strategies to grow into a 'Missionary Parish'. Please come along to the parish rooms if you are interested in responding to Pope Francis' call for 'missionary parishes' to be set up.

TEA AND COFFEE (& BISCUITS) AVAILABLE



AFTER 10.30 MASS EVERY SUNDAY

CAKES 🎂 4 R CHURCH

Many thanks to all our lovely parishioners who baked, bought or helped in anyway at our last cake sale. We made a fantastic £217, which will go directly into the church building funds.

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY 2018

Falling this Sunday, 13th May, the 2018 theme is "The truth will set you free" (Jn 8:32). **Fake news and journalism for peace.** It is the only worldwide celebration called for by the Second Vatican Council and The Holy Father's message for the day this year was released in January. In it, he explores what makes fake news 'fake', how to recognize it, truth as an antidote, and how a "journalism for peace" takes people as its focus. You can see this, and previous, year's messages at:

<https://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/communications/index.html>

The second collection today will be for Catholic communication Network.

COLLECTION UPDATE

Collection for Sunday: Envelopes £ 287 Loose Plate £444.14

Thank you for your continuing generosity.