

## **St. Agnes Catholic Church, Cricklewood**

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Last week's collection. £1828. Priests' Training Fund Collection. £1198. Many Thanks. Planned Giving Boxes of Envelopes. Please collect from the Parish Room if you have not yet done so.

Coronation of King Charles. This is a big week end of celebration here in the UK. We have been asked to offer our prayers for His Majesty and the Queen. At all Masses this week we will recite prayers as outlined in the prayer cards which have been made available. On top of that we extend our best wishes to King Charles in all aspects of his new responsibility.

Monday 8<sup>th</sup> May is a holiday because of the Coronation. Mass will be at 10am.

Filipino Celebration in honour of Our Lady of Fatima this Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May. Procession at 2pm followed by Mass at 3.30pm.

First Holy Communion Mass on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm. The rehearsal for this will take place in the Church on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm.

First Holy Communion Mass on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30pm. The rehearsal for this will take place on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 4pm.

Your prayers for all our First Communicants and for their families at this time.

Feasts this week. Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> May. Easter Feria. Day of Prayer for the Victims and Survivors of Sexual Abuse.

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May. St John of Avila. Priest and Doctor. Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May. Our Lady of Fatima.

The Pope's Monthly Intention. For Church movements and groups. We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

May is the month of Mary. The recitation of the Rosary is meant to be a particular focus. Through it we encounter Mary as we raise ourselves in prayer that all our petitions and intentions are held in her heart as she gathers us in her mantle of care. She guides us gently towards the Lamb who is her Son, who intends the fullness of life for us.

In today's Gospel Jesus is looking for faith and trust. Trust can help us in difficult times. Remember and give thanks for people you were able to trust in difficult moments. Thomas struggled with faith. He wanted to be sure of the destination. Jesus proposed himself to Thomas as the way, the truth and the life. Philip wanted Jesus to give him a glimpse of God and gets a surprising answer. To have seen me is to have seen the Father Jesus says. Jesus put a human face on the love of God. We are called to follow Jesus and to put a human face on the love of God for those who meet us.

### **Priest Training Fund – Thank you**

Thank you for your generosity to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish. Envelopes are available in the back of the church, or by contacting the parish office. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. For more information, or to make a donation, visit [www.rcdow.org.uk/donations](http://www.rcdow.org.uk/donations)

Divine Mercy Retreat with the Marian Fathers here at St Agnes Church on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May. 1.30 pm to 4.30 pm.

Requiem Mass for Seamus Burke on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May at 10.30am. Your prayers for the repose of his soul and for his family in their loss.