

# The Announcer

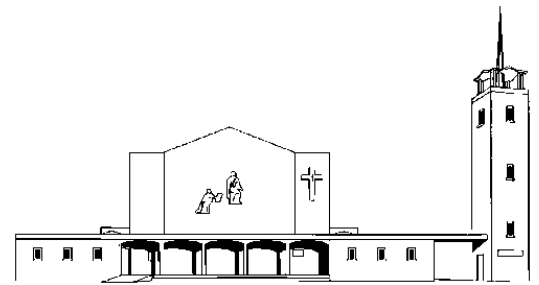
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**Year C**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

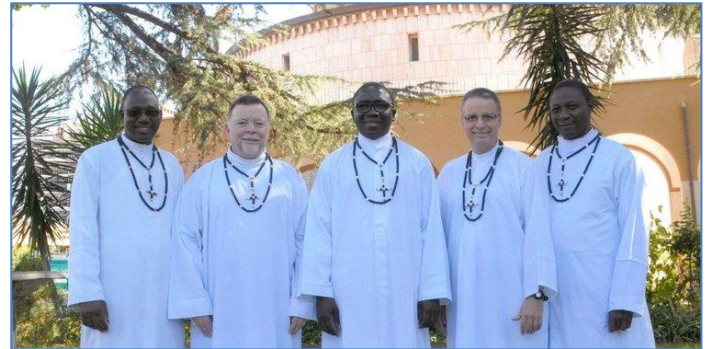
**26<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019**

GOSPEL: John 14: 23-29

*The Holy Spirit will remind you of all I have said to you.*

**My Dear Parishioners of St Augustine's,**

EACH YEAR THE DIOCESE GIVES ONE OF THE MISSIONARY ORDERS the opportunity to visit the parishes and to make an appeal for the work of their Missions. This year it is the turn of the Missionaries of Africa, also known as the 'White Fathers.' **Fr Ted Wildsmith** will come from the White Fathers' house in Ealing to celebrate Mass this weekend and to tell you about the evangelizing work of the **Missionaries of Africa**.



They are an international Missionary Society of priests and brothers, founded in 1868 by Cardinal Charles Lavigerie, Archbishop of Algiers and Carthage. The name 'White Fathers' comes from their white habit, based on the traditional North-African dress of a white gown (*gandoura*) and a white hooded cloak (*burnous*). A rosary is worn around the neck to show they are men of prayer. The order numbers about 1200 priests and brothers, with their missions almost exclusively across the whole continent of Africa. Some 500 additional men are in training for the Order. Please be generous this weekend with the retiring collection which will support the work of the Missionaries of Africa.

I SHALL BE LEADING OUR DEANERY PILGRIMAGE TO KRAKÓW this week, so please welcome not only Fr Ted, but also the other priests who will come to celebrate Mass through the week. Most importantly, **Thursday is the Holy Day of Obligation, the Ascension of Our Lord**. This solemn and sacred occasion, the 40<sup>th</sup> Day of Easter, recall our Lord's triumphant return to be with the Father in His – and, please God, *our* – heavenly home

**\*\*\*\* MASSES FOR ASCENSION DAY: 9.30am, 12 noon, 8pm \*\*\*\***

**May the ascending Jesus draw our gaze to heaven so we may long to be with Him! Fr Philip**

### **St Augustine teaches: *On Patience, 1***

That virtue of the mind which is called Patience, is so great a gift of God, that even in Him who bestows the same upon us, that, whereby He waits for evil men that they may amend, is set forth by the name of Patience (or long-suffering). So, although in God there can be no suffering, and 'patience' has its name from '*a patiendo*' ('from suffering'), yet a patient God we not only believe but also wholesomely confess. But the patience of God, of what kind and how great it is, ... in words to unfold this, who can be able?



## PRAYER & LITURGY

**MISSIONARIES OF AFRICA:** Fr Ted Wildsmith M.Afr. will make a Missionary Appeal **this weekend** at all Masses.

**ASCENSION DAY** Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> May is a **Holy Day of Obligation**. Mass will be at 9.30am, 12 noon and 8pm.

**BETTY SLOAN RIP**, formerly of New River Close, Hoddesdon died recently. Our sympathies go out to her family. **Her funeral will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon.**

*May she rest in peace.*

**BANK HOLIDAY MASS** (this Monday) will be at 10am. Please note the church will be closed after Mass.

**ADORATION/MORNING PRAYER** will not take place next week whilst Fr Philip is away.

**LATIN MASS:** monthly Latin Mass, with sung chants, will be at 5pm next Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June.

**MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION & READERS ROTAS:** The next rota for the period June - September is due to be drawn up shortly. Please advise Pat Kavanagh 449282 or [patandcarolkav@btinternet.com](mailto:patandcarolkav@btinternet.com) by **Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> May AT THE LATEST** of any dates in this period that you are NOT available. Please also advise of any changes in personal contact details e.g. address, telephone number etc. Please also confirm if you wish to receive your copy of the rota by email for the future and let me have your email address.

**SUNDAY HOLY HOUR** will next take place **this Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 5pm** with a Scriptural reflection, Adoration, Evening Prayer and Benediction. A truly peaceful hour!

**FR PHILIP'S TALKS** on the theme of Mary, drawing from a book ("Jesus and the Jewish Roots of Mary") will be held monthly at 8pm on Tuesdays. Remaining 2 dates: **18<sup>th</sup> June** and **16<sup>th</sup> July**. All are welcome in church. See flyers in porch. Spare copies of handout from 1<sup>st</sup> talk available from the Presbytery.

**ST ANTHONY'S PROCESSION** will be held on **Sat 15<sup>th</sup> June**. The Procession will begin at 2.45pm from the church. Mass will be at 4pm which will be followed by refreshments. All are welcome.

**AYLESFORD PILGRIMAGE:** The Knights of St Columba invite you to Aylesford on **Sun 16<sup>th</sup> June**. Seats are £15. To book, please contact Bro. John McKenna on 01992-638721.

**ALTAR SERVERS:** as well as the wonderful Yr-6 and Secondary-school-age servers, who do such a good job each and every week serving the Holy Mass, **we also need some Yr-4 or Yr-5 children** to join the serving team, especially as we will need them to serve School Masses in the coming years. Please contact the Presbytery soon to arrange training with Fr Philip.

**FRIDAY PRAYER GROUP:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of each month, 7.30-8.30pm: **next meeting Friday 21<sup>st</sup> June**. A semi-formal hour in the Lady Chapel to reflect together on Sunday Scriptures and bring our needs and prayers to the Lord.

## HOUSEBOUND & SICK PARISHIONERS

*PLEASE TELL US IF ANYONE IS HOUSEBOUND, EVEN TEMPORARILY, SO THEY CAN BE VISITED & HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO RECEIVE HOLY COMMUNION AT HOME.*

Housebound parishioners may like to know that Mass is regularly broadcast on the internet from the Catholic Church in Bishops Stortford:  
<http://www.churchservices.tv/bishopstortford>

**IF YOU GO IN TO HOSPITAL:** Catholics in hospital are unlikely to receive an *automatic* visit from the Catholic Chaplain. If someone is sick in hospital, **please let us know here at the Presbytery, and/or ask the staff on the ward**, so that your loved one can be visited whilst in hospital, and receive Holy Communion and any other Sacraments from the Chaplain.  
**Chaplains are: Lister, John O'Neill 01438-285138 or 07876-526935; Princess Alexandra, Fr Leszek Gamracy 01279-426017**

## CATECHETICS

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME:** The final meeting for parents will be on **12<sup>th</sup> June 8pm** in the crypt. **Please note all parents needs to attend this meeting.** The final meeting for children will be on **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10am-2pm:** meet at the outside crypt door 10 mins before the class starts.

**BAPTISM COURSE:** next course will be held on **Mondays 24<sup>th</sup> June and 1<sup>st</sup> July 7.30-9pm** in the presbytery. The course must be completed before a Baptism can be arranged. To enrol on the course, please contact the presbytery.

## SCHOOLS/UNDER-5's

**ST AUGUSTINE'S SCHOOL** is having a Family Fun Day on **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June** from 11.30am-2pm. All are welcome.

**ST AUGUSTINE'S UNDER 5's** is having a quiz night on **Sat 6<sup>th</sup> July** in the crypt (deferred from 18<sup>th</sup> May) – 7.30 for 8pm start and £5 per person, max of 8 per team. Please bring your own drinks and nibbles. To book, please contact the playgroup on 460614. **The Summer Fete will be held on 15<sup>th</sup> June 11am-1.30pm.**

**ST AUGUSTINE'S UNDER 5's** are looking for enthusiastic early-years practitioners to join our small and friendly team committed to providing high quality early years care and education for young children. As a key person with a good understanding of the EYFS and a friendly and flexible approach you will be able to build positive relationships with children and their parents ensuring that each child's needs are recognised and met. Applicants to be qualified to level 3 in Early Years Childcare and Education or equivalent. For further information please e-mail or call on 01992-460614 to speak to the Team Leader, Lynn O'Bryan. Apply with covering letter and CV to St Augustine's Under 5's, Charlton Close, Hoddesdon, EN11 8DR. Closing date 14<sup>th</sup> June.

## SOCIAL & MISCELLANEOUS

**PRIESTS' TRAINING FUND:** The final amount raised was £423.88. Thank you to everyone who donated.

**HOUSE VISITS:** Fr Philip will resume his house visits after half term.

**TUESDAY LUNCH CLUB** will not take place next week but will resume on **4<sup>th</sup> June.**

**THE FLOWER TEAM** is looking for volunteers to join them in arranging the flowers on a Friday. No experience is necessary. For more info Please contact Gemma Castle on 462215.

**PARISH BBQ** will be held on **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September.** This will also be the parish celebration for Fr Philip's 20<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. Please put the date in your diary and more details will follow in due course.

**WARE CHORAL SOCIETY** sings 'Samson' by Handel on **Sat 8<sup>th</sup> June, at 7.30pm,** in the Drill

Hall, Amwell End, Ware. Tickets can be purchased from Anne Byrne (tel. 467097) for unreserved tickets (£15), or reserved (£18).

**ISABEL HOSPICE** need collectors at Tesco, Brookfield on **Friday 31<sup>st</sup> May and Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June.** Please contact Jeremy on 07790-022224.

**NATIONAL WEEKEND FOR MEN** will be held on **19<sup>th</sup>-21<sup>st</sup> July** at High Leigh Conference Centre, Hoddesdon. For further info and booking form go to [www.harvesters.org.uk](http://www.harvesters.org.uk).

**PROJECT CO-ORDINATOR** is needed for next year's Broxbourne Winter Night Shelter. This is a voluntary role, which would take about 1-2 days' work a week, spread out during the week. The deadline is Monday 17<sup>th</sup> June. Those interested should send a personal statement,(based on the job description on the noticeboard at the back of church) along with the names of two referees to Diana Forrest at [docforrest@hotmail.com](mailto:docforrest@hotmail.com).

**LOURDES SUMMER RETREAT for Young Adults.** Assumption Sisters and Fathers invite young adults in their 20/30s for an English-speaking spiritual retreat in Lourdes, France, **Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> - Fri 9<sup>th</sup> August 2019** with talks, prayer, silence, pilgrimage, desert day and spiritual accompaniment. For more information e-mail [youth@assumptionreligious.org](mailto:youth@assumptionreligious.org) Cost: £300 (£220 for students/low waged), excl. travel, i.e. your flight to Lourdes. Register online: <http://bit.ly/retreatlourdes>.

**DIOCESAN JOB VACANCIES** can be viewed online <https://rcdow.org.uk/diocese/jobs>.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Mima Salvo, Francesca Comparetto, Pat Kavanagh and Sue Alvey. Thanks for your help.

**SUNDAY LUNCH:** Fr Philip would like to continue meeting parishioners/families in their homes, as much as possible. Sunday lunch 1.30pm is a good (but by no means only) time. Free dates: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> June.

Masses this week	Today's Liturgy
<p><b>Sat 25<sup>th</sup> May ST BEDE THE VENERABLE, Priest &amp; Dr</b>            9.30am Adoration            10am Mass <i>Bridie McDaid RIP anniv.</i></p>	<p><b>PAGE 273 in the Mass books</b></p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Acts 15: 1–2, 22–29  <i>It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials.</i></p> <p><b>Psalm 66 — Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.</b></p> <p><b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Apocalypse 21: 10–14, 22–23  <i>He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.</i></p> <p><b>Gospel Accl:</b> <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!</i></p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> John 14: 23–29  <i>The Holy Spirit will remind you of all I have said to you.</i></p> <p><b>PREFACE TODAY:</b> Easter V (p. 75)  <b>EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:</b> no. 2 (p. 25)</p>
<p>4.00pm* Italian Mass            6.30pm* Mass <i>Nadia Miragliotta RIP</i></p> <p><b>Sun 26<sup>h</sup> May SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>            9.15am <i>Pasquale Ricotta</i>            11.15am <i>For the Parish</i> †</p>	<p><b>Gospel Accl:</b> <i>Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!</i></p> <p><b>Gospel:</b> John 14: 23–29  <i>The Holy Spirit will remind you of all I have said to you.</i></p> <p><b>PREFACE TODAY:</b> Easter V (p. 75)  <b>EUCCHARISTIC PRAYER:</b> no. 2 (p. 25)</p> <p><b>NEXT WEEK'S READINGS</b>            SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</p> <p><b>1<sup>st</sup> Reading:</b> Acts 7: 55–60  <b>2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:</b> Apocalypse 22: 12–14, 16–17, 20  <b>Gospel:</b> John 17: 20–26</p>
<p><b>Mon 27<sup>th</sup> May ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY</b>            10am Mass <i>Bill Pollard RIP</i>  <b>PLEASE NOTE THE CHURCH WILL BE CLOSED AFTER MASS</b></p> <p><b>Tues 28<sup>th</sup> May</b>            9.15 Mass <i>John Andrews RIP</i></p> <p><b>Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May</b>            9.15am Mass <i>Mary Mitchell RIP anniv.</i> — followed by coffee in the crypt</p> <p><b>Thurs 30<sup>th</sup> May ASCENSION OF THE LORD</b>            9.30am Mass <i>Dave Greenall RIP</i>            12 noon Mass <i>Kathleen Fitzpatrick RIP</i>            8pm Mass <i>Betty Coffey RIP anniv.</i></p> <p><b>Fri 31<sup>st</sup> May VISITATION OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</b>  <i>(Abstinence from meat today for those aged 14+)</i>            11am Adoration of Blessed Sacrament/11.50 Benediction            12 noon Mass <i>Ken Parker RIP</i></p> <p><b>Sat 1<sup>st</sup> June ST JUSTIN, Martyr</b>            10am Mass <i>Margaret &amp; John Noonan RIP</i></p>	<p><b>SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION)</b>            Saturday 10.30 – 11am &amp; 5.30 – 6.15pm            Sunday 8.30 – 9am &amp; 10.40 – 11am            or ask Fr Philip at any other time.</p> <p><b>ROSARY</b>            The Rosary is often prayed in the Lady Chapel after weekday Mass and Saturday 10am Mass.</p> <p><b>SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK</b>            Any parishioner frail through illness or old age, or going into hospital for major surgery, can ask Fr Philip for the Sacrament of Anointing at any time.</p> <p><b>SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE</b>            Catholics must approach their parish priest at least 6 months prior to their intended wedding, and before setting a wedding date.</p> <p><b>Westminster Roman Catholic Diocesan Trust</b>  <b>Registered Charity No. 233699</b></p>
<p>4.00pm* Italian Mass            6.30pm* <i>Bernadette Munday RIP anniv.</i></p> <p><b>Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> June SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b>            9.15am** <i>Thomas Murphy RIP</i>            11.15am <i>Gaetana &amp; Giuseppe Lomanto RIP</i>            5pm Latin Mass <i>For the Parish</i> †</p>	
<p>* Vigil Mass of Sunday            ** With Children's Liturgy (nursery-age to year 2 only)            † There are also Sunday evening Masses in English in Hertford (6pm) and Waltham Cross (6.30pm)</p>	
<b>REGULAR EVENTS</b>	

**NEWSLETTER ITEMS TO PRESBYTERY IN WRITING, BY FAX, OR E-MAIL BY 9AM THURS WITH YOUR NAME & PHONE NO. — NEW PARISHIONERS** Please take a parish membership form & information leaflet from the box attached to the notice board. The completed forms should be posted through the presbytery letterbox. **MOVING HOME?** Please post your new details through the presbytery letterbox. **PARROCCHIANI:** *Si pregano tutti i parrocchiani di prendere i questionari (uno per ciascun famiglia) che si trovano vicino al tabellone degli avvisi. Una volta compilati, i questionari devono essere riconsegnati depositandoli nella cassetta della posta vicina alla statua di Sant'Antonio.*