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Parish Pastoral Council The PPC will meet at 7:30pm

Mass this Sunday: Seventh Sunday of Easter (B) 13th May 2018

Today's Readings

Acts 1:15-17. 20-26 Matthias is chosen to restore the number of apostles to twelve.

1 John 4:11-16 To acknowledge Jesus is to live in love.

John 17:11-19 Our vocation today is to be true to God's name.

Mass this week

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| Saturday 12 th | 6:30am | | <i>Intention</i> |
| Sunday 13 th | 9:00am | | Joan Williams (RIP) |
| | 10:30am | | For Our Parishioners |
| Tuesday 15 th | 7:30pm | Easter Weekday | Families of Holy Communion Children |
| Wednesday 16 th | 9:15am | Easter Weekday | Cornelius Cleary (RIP) |
| Thursday 17 th | 9:15am | Easter Weekday | Private Intention |
| Friday 18 th | 8:00am | Easter Weekday | Mary Huq (Intention) |
| | | | Fr Stanislaus Savage RIP |

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 5:45pm or by appointment.

The Sanctuary Lamp burns for those in need of God's mercy.

Last Week's Offertory This amounted to £783.44
Many thanks for all your generosity. We also receive approx £300 each week in bank standing orders from parishioners. **Text Giving** If you wish to support the parish by giving £5 via your mobile 'phone, just text PARISH ROYST to 70800.

Change In Mass Time Please note that the Mass on Friday will be at the earlier time of 8:00am

First Holy Communion 2018 Congratulations to **TEMPERANCE MARSHALL, ISAAC TIMMS, SAMUEL JAMES, AARON HANCOCK & JOSEPH HILL** who are making their First Holy Communion this weekend. Please pray for all our young people receiving their First Holy Communions in May and for their families. The 10:30am Sunday Mass for all the Sundays in May will be First Holy Communion Masses. Please be aware that much of the Church will be reserved for the Candidates and their families, so space will be limited. If you normally come to the 10:30am Mass, it would be helpful if you could consider participating in one of the other Sunday masses during this period.

on Wednesday 16th May. Among items for discussion will be our Parish Compliance with new Data Protection regulations and Health and Safety protocols.

The House of Prayer meets on Thursday mornings, 10 till 12, at 52 Cherry Drive. New members most welcome.

Missio Red Boxes Thank you to everyone that has picked up and returned their envelopes. We have collected £644.17. There are still some envelopes waiting to be collected at the back of Church and it is not too late to do so. Thank you for supporting our brothers and sisters in the youngest and poorest dioceses and their work for the gospel .

Planned Giving Envelopes There are still some boxes waiting collection at the back of church. Please ensure you have collected your box of envelopes to start using now. If you no longer require them, please let the parish office know.

Parish Safeguarding Representative Tim Shepherd has been appointed our new Parish Safeguarding Representative.

Rosary We would like to establish a regular public recitation of the Rosary in the church. All welcome. Please do come in on Tuesday mornings at 9:15am if you would like to take part.

CWL Meeting The next meeting takes place on Monday night in the Parish Hall at 7.30 pm. All welcome.

Cake Sale The CWL will be selling cakes outside church **next** weekend between the Sunday morning Masses. Any donations of cakes or produce to our stall would be greatly appreciated. All monies made will be added to the Christian Aid collection.

Data Protection We are committed to respecting your rights and only retaining your personal data for clearly defined purposes. Your data will only be accessible to authorised people. We shall be taking a new parish Census later this month and shredding or deleting all previous data we hold. Also, all forms from now on will contain a privacy notice to explain what the data in them is being collected is for. We have prepared a draft 'Parish Data Protection Policy'. Any informed advice would be appreciated!

Holy Father's Intentions for May Evangelization – The Mission of Laity

That the lay faithful may fulfil their specific mission, by responding with creativity to the challenges that face the world today.

Adoremus The bishops of England and Wales are holding a national Eucharistic Pilgrimage and Congress in Liverpool 7th-9th September 2018. The Echo Arena in Liverpool – which can accommodate 10,000 pilgrims – will be home to a six-hour stage programme on 8th September and will include a Congress Mass, keynote speakers Bp Robert Barron and Cardinal Vincent Nichols, and a drama highlighting the beauty of reverence and devotion. The day will conclude with Adoration. For more information and to enquire about tickets to events, please contact adoremus@rcdow.org.uk or call 07738183829

Christian Aid Week 'Churches Together in Royston' invite us to take part in this annual appeal. We are not having a house to house collection this year. Please consider making a donation using the envelopes provided after Mass this weekend.

St Vincent de Paul Society The next meeting of the Royston Conference will be on **Monday 14th May** at 7:30pm in the parish hall.



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During this period of intense prayer for the coming of the Holy Spirit to assist us in our work of living, celebrating and sharing the Good News of Jesus we are asked to pray for these intentions:

- For all Christians to have the confidence to share the good news of Jesus Christ;
- For those who have lost sight of God, that they would see his love revealed in their lives;
- For those who feel isolated and alone;
- For those in need of God's mercy;
- For the hearts of those we know and love to be more open to Christ who waits to be invited in;
- For those who are beginning to show an interest in matters of faith, that their curiosity will grow into a desire for the living God;
- For those who seek God, that their search may lead them to find their heart's desire;
- For all of us to encounter the person of Jesus Christ and experience life lived to the full;
- For those who are held down by past experiences, hurt, or pain, that they may know the freedom that Christ brings;
- For those who want to grow in faith, that they may all be filled with the hope of what is to come; and
- For the whole Church to be filled with the Holy Spirit 'as by a new Pentecost'.

Cleaning Rota Monday - Tessie Friday – Monica & Annalise