

## Notices for the week beginning 18 May 2014

### Sunday 18 May Fifth Sunday of Easter

Mass Book, pages 7 and 265

People of the Parish

8.30 am Private Intention; 10.30 am Intentions of Wendy Hinds

Monday *Easter Feria*

No Mass

Tuesday *Easter Feria*

No Mass

Wednesday *Easter Feria*

Mass: 10.00 am

Thursday *Easter Feria*

Mass: 10.00 am

Friday *Easter Feria*

Mass: 10.00 am

Saturday *Easter Feria*

Confessions: 10-10.30 am; 5.15-5.45 pm

### Sunday 25 May Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mass 6.00 pm (Vigil) Intentions of Frances and Annabelle; 8.30 am Intentions of Frances and Annabelle; 10.30 am Mgr Denis McGuinness and all priests who have died.

### PRAYERS

Please pray for: **Sick:** Maureen Angus, Chloe Bannon, David Boulton, Andrew Brand, Bettine Byrd, Denis Connell, Bob Cowan, Bertram De Souza, Judy Fernandez, Bridie Folan, Bob Hazeldene, Alan Hedges, Gwen Herbert, Wendy Hinds, Bill Holliday, Michael Hornsby, Mary Howe, Rose King, Sheila McGrath, Antonietta Marricco, Gerry O'Shaughnessy, Honor Owen, Paddy, Charmaine and James Pereira, Eve Pettinger, Anneliese Regensteiner, Sylvina Rodrigues, Florence Rogers, Kate Tomkins, Elizabeth Troy, Merridee and Naomi Wadling; **Anniversaries:** Mgr Denis McGuinness, Sister Helen Marie, Sister Margaret Aimée, Rupert Bambridge, Constance Crowhurst, Dieter Drescher, Grace Edwards, Edmund Faunce, James Highfield, Clara Hooper, Violet Kent, Casimir Kowalewski, Davis Lovekin, Robert McCann, Mary McDonnell, Wallace Murray, Teodoro Palomares, Patrick Raftery and Basil Wells. May they rest in peace.

### PARISH MINISTRIES

2014		6.00 pm Vigil	8.30 am	10.30 am
17/18 May	E	G Booth F Sherratt	A Halliday	D Long H Houston
	R	M Valentine J Lee	S Wright L Hutt	G Maloney P Apps
	W		D Kerr	A Farrow

### OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS

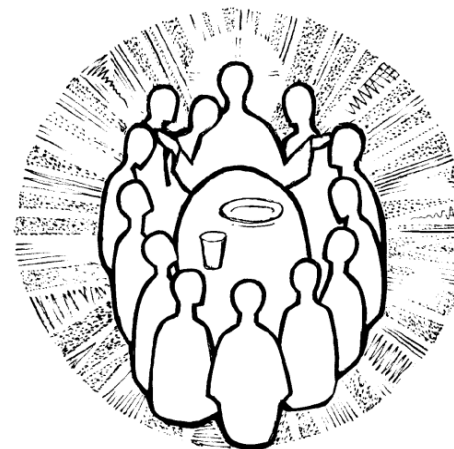
Envelopes: £337.00

Loose: £147.36

Building Fund: £39.00

# PARISH NEWS

18 May 2014



## Corpus Christi Church, Tring

Parish Priest: Canon Vincent Berry

Presbytery: 51 Langdon Street, Tring, Herts, HP23 6BA  
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Hall Bookings: Nicola Hickey 01442 826906

Youth Worker: Dan Marsh 07776 124434 email: [danyouthwork@gmail.com](mailto:danyouthwork@gmail.com)

Local Catholic Schools: St Thomas More (Primary), Berkhamsted, phone 01442 385060

website: [www.stmore.herts.sch.uk](http://www.stmore.herts.sch.uk); Head teacher: Mr Robert Mundy

John F Kennedy (Secondary), Hemel Hempstead, phone 01442 266150

website: [www.jfk.herts.sch.uk](http://www.jfk.herts.sch.uk); Head teacher: Mr Paul Neves.

### Times of Services

Sunday Mass: 6.00 pm (Vigil), 8.30 am and 10.30 am

Holydays Mass: 10.00 am and 7.30 pm

Weekday Mass: Wednesday to Friday 10.00 am

Saturday Sacrament of Reconciliation: 10.00 – 10.30 am  
5.15 – 5.45 pm

## **Letter from Langdon Street**

My dear people

Our church is one of the most beautiful modern churches in the whole of the Westminster Diocese. When we enter the building we often sense a feeling of peace and calm. Every brick, every stone and every artefact creates a sense of warmth and security. Even more important is the community that occupies the building. St Peter in today's epistle describes us as living stones, all knit together, with Christ Jesus as the precious cornerstone. As living stones knit together in the Lord we must think about what we do as individuals and as members of a community of faith and love. In one of his meditations Cardinal Newman tells us that God has created us to do him some special service. He has committed us some work that he has not committed to anyone else. He says that we are a link in a chain, "a bond of connection between persons." Whatever the circumstances of our lives, be they good or ill, he wants us to serve him, to fulfil that special service he wants us to do.

As members of the Church we are God's special people but we are not perfect people. Today's story in the Acts of the Apostles describes one of the great rows that beset the early Church. Throughout its history the Church has lived through arguments and disputes, some of which threatened the unity of the whole Church. Recent Popes, beginning with Pope John XXIII, have sought to bring about reconciliation with those communities that have become separated from us. Pope Francis is preparing to go on pilgrimage to the Holy Land in memory of the visit of Pope Paul VI in January 1964 and his meeting with Patriarch Athenagoras, leader of the Greek Orthodox Church. Pope Francis will meet the present patriarch, Bartholomew I. The links between the Catholic Church and the Orthodox Churches have grown and grown since that first visit but both churches still have a long road to walk before complete unity can come about. Ecumenical contact with the Church of England and other churches has also progressed since the Second Vatican Council.

St John in today's Gospel gives us part of Our Lord's last message to his friends before his death. They are together in the upper room celebrating the feast of Passover. Jesus is about to be betrayed. Within hours He will experience a terrible agony in the Garden of Gethsemane, a place where he usually experiences rest and relaxation. He will suffer and die. Despite all this, he found time to reassure his disciples, telling them not be afraid. "Do not let your hearts be troubled." He tells them that he is the way, the truth and the life. That message is also meant for us. He wants us to trust in him. One of England's greatest mystics, Julian of Norwich, spoke about this trust in one of her writings where she said: "All shall be well, and all shall be well and all manner of thing shall be well."

Yours sincerely



Parish Priest

### **MISSION WITH A DIFFERENCE**

As a follow up to our recent Parish Mission a number of activities have taken place. We have concluded our reflections on prayer, using the DVD called Strength to Strength. The WOW ladies have now met twice for a special lunch. During the next few Sundays Canon Berry

hopes to talk about the different ministries in our parish and to invite volunteers. This began last Sunday when he invited adults to form a team of senior servers to work with the younger servers.

### **FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI**

On Sunday 22 June we shall be celebrating our patronal feast, the feast of Corpus Christi. The 10.30 mass will conclude with a procession of the Blessed Sacrament. The children who made their First Holy Communion yesterday will take part. They will then have their Communion Breakfast.

### **PILGRIMAGE OF POPE FRANCIS TO THE HOLY LAND**

Cardinal Vincent invites every parish in this his diocese of Westminster to hold a **Holy Hour with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Sunday 25 May between 3 pm and 4 pm**. This Holy Hour will coincide with the Holy Father's meeting with Christian communities in Bethlehem as part of his pilgrimage to the Holy Land. As we unite ourselves in prayer with Pope Francis let us remember the divided communities, Christian, Jewish and Muslim, and pray that real harmony and peace may draw them together.

### **FAITH MATTERS**

There will be a Faith Matters Question Time at the Jesuit Church, Farm Street on Wednesday 4th June at 7:00pm. This will bring together Catholics and others from different walks of life and inviting them to respond to questions from the audience. The main topic will be: 'Pope Francis' Vision for the Church'. On the panel will be Lord Glasman of Stamford Hill, journalist and papal biographer Dr Austen Ivereigh, the poet and Catholic Voices campaigner Sarah de Nordwall, and Sarah Teather MP.

### **CATHOLIC SINGLES**

Catholic Singles is an organisation which helps single adult Catholics of all ages meet, either one to one or through social events. Please telephone 0161 941 3498, send an email to [info@catholicsingles.org.uk](mailto:info@catholicsingles.org.uk). You are also invited to visit the Catholic Singles website at [www.catholicsingles.org.uk](http://www.catholicsingles.org.uk). The organisation includes separated and divorced people and has A.S.D.C (Association of Separated and Divorced Catholics.)

### **FOOD BANK**

The DENS Dacorum Foodbank would be grateful for the following items during the month of May: Hot Puddings (tinned), cold meat (tinned), tuna (tinned), vegetables (tinned). They would also like items to support their other services: tin openers, single duvets and kitchen roll – for use across the other services that the Food Bank provides.

The Food Bank provides emergency food for local people in crisis. Telephone: 01442 250969 or mobile number: 07904 674236. [www.dacorumfoodbank.org.uk](http://www.dacorumfoodbank.org.uk) [www.DENS.org.uk](http://www.DENS.org.uk)

### **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

7 June	Prayer Breakfast at St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church
22 June	Corpus Christi Procession after 10.30 mass
5 July	Prayer Breakfast at High Street Baptist Church
2 August	New Mill Baptist Church

6 September St Martha's Methodist Church

#### **PRAYER BREAKFASTS 2014**

4 January New Mill Baptist Church  
1 February High Street Baptist Church  
1 March St Martha's Methodist Church  
**5 April Corpus Christi Church**  
3 May St Bartholomew's Church, Wigginton  
7 June St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church  
5 July High Street Baptist Church  
2 August New Mill Baptist Church  
6 September St Martha's Methodist Church  
**4 October Corpus Christi Church**  
1 November St Peter & St Paul's Parish Church  
6 December New Mill Baptist Church

Breakfast is served at 8.30 am followed by prayer for local and world needs

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#### **SUMMER ACCOMMODATION IN LONDON**

Allen Hall Seminary in Chelsea offers comfortable rooms in central London in July and August. Rooms from £50 per night (including breakfast). For more information telephone 020 7349 (Option 0); website : [www.allenhall.org.uk](http://www.allenhall.org.uk); email : [allenhall@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:allenhall@rcdow.org.uk)

#### **RETRouvaille**

Retrouvaille offers a lifeline to troubled marriages. Backed by prayer, this programme has healed and turned around thousands of marriages on the brink of collapse and even brought divorced couples back together again. The next programme starts on the 27<sup>th</sup> -29<sup>th</sup> September 2013. Don't miss this lifeline if your marriage is painful – visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk) or email [info@retrouvaille.org.uk](mailto:info@retrouvaille.org.uk) or call or text 0797 338 0443 in complete confidence.

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