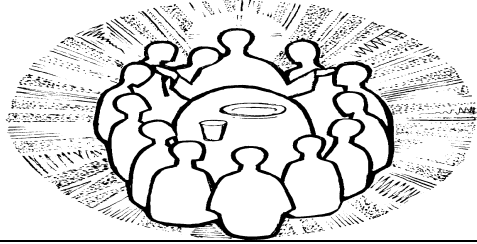


# Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception and St Joseph

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023



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## THE SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

### THIS WEEKEND'S LITURGY

At this time of year, when daylight is lengthening and nature is full of life, it feels as though God's creation has been reborn. During the Easter season we recall that we ourselves have been reborn in baptism. Today's Gospel reminds us that Jesus dwells within us. Not only that, the Holy Spirit is with us, too. Therefore, when we look around, we can see the full flowering of the divine in ourselves, in each other, and in the whole world. Truly, let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Luke, the author of Acts, reports that when the people of Samaria heard Philip proclaim Christ and saw him perform wondrous signs they reacted with great joy. May great joy come upon us as well as we listen to the Word of God proclaimed and then participate in the wondrous miracle of the bread and wine becoming the Body and Blood of our Lord.

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### THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

This Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be an extra Mass in the Church on Thursday evening at 8.00pm.

### MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May

**The Sixth Sunday  
Of Easter**

Monday 15<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May

**Ascension of the Lord**

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May

**TODAY'S READINGS:**

Acts 8:5-8.14-17

Psalms 65

1 Peter 3:15-18

John 14:15-21

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

Acts 1:12-14

Psalms 26

1 Peter 4:13-16

John 17:1-11

### PRAYER INTENTIONS

During Easter, we are asked to pray for: New Members of the church; Vocations; The Right Use of the Media; The Church; Human work.

**For those who are ill:** Nicola Harker, Annie Lutwack, Linda Tank, Lily Barber, Natasha Papet, Rodney Imbert, Lisa Thorogood, Agnes Curtis, Joao Paolo, Cidaila Figueria, Tina Figueria, Margaret Reynolds,

**For those who have died recently:** Filippo Bavetta, Steve Tulk, Antonietta Federico, Grazia Di Piazza, John Ball, Nello Charles, Paul Darling,

**And for those whose Anniversaries are at this time:** Giuseppina Barber, Salvatore Conte,

### THANK YOU VERY MUCH

**Thank you for your last week's Offertory Collection which came to £750.70, plus the regular Standing Orders.**

**Priest Training Fund £903.27. Thank you very much.**

### FUNERAL THIS WEEK

The Funeral Mass for the late Filippo Bavetta will be celebrated on Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> May at 11.30am.

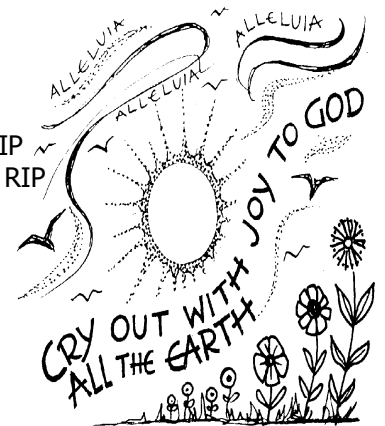
### BAPTISMS THIS WEEK

Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 1.00pm – Joycelyn-Maie Oteng

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May at 1.00pm – Kingston Ibe

### ANNUAL FOREIGN MISSION APPEAL

This year the Holy Family Sisters of the Needy will be making the Annual Appeal on behalf of the Catholic Mission Union of England and Wales. They are a Religious Institute founded in Nigeria in 1983 by Late Rev Fr Denis Mary Joseph Ononuju (CSSP). They have different missions in several parts of the world. In their mission, they dispense God's love among the needy and the marginalised in the society. They will be here in our parish next weekend and there will be a second collection at all the Masses.



### LIVE STREAMING FROM THE CHURCH

The live stream runs twenty-four hours a day, so you can 'visit' the Church whenever you wish. There is a link on the Parish Website and it is also accessible at <http://www.churchservices.tv/walthamcross>.

### **INTERNATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER FOR EASTERN CHRISTIANS**

Today is the Annual International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians which enables Eastern and Western Christians to come together in prayer during Easter. The event unites the Roman Catholic Church in Europe with the Eastern Catholic Churches in union with the Bishop of Rome.

### **COVID SPRING BOOSTERS NOW AVAILABLE IN WALTHAM CROSS – NO APPOINTMENT NEEDED**

Get your Covid spring booster jab at a new 'pop up' vaccination clinic in Waltham Cross. No appointment needed, just drop in! This spring booster vaccination session is for anyone aged 75 or older. Please help us spread the word and encourage parents, grandparents or friends who are eligible to top up their protection against new strains of the Covid virus. Drop-in vaccination sessions take place at Waltham Cross Health Centre, Stanhope Road, Waltham Cross, EN8 7DJ on: Thursday 25 May, 9.30am – 3.30pm.

If you would prefer to book an appointment for your booster at a pharmacy or a local GP practice you can do so online at [www.nhs.uk/covid-boosters](http://www.nhs.uk/covid-boosters) or by calling 119. More information can be found on our website: <https://hertsandwestessexics.org.uk/covid-19>

### **FREE LEGAL ADVICE**

Darren Sylvester, a Solicitor from DJS Law, will be offering free legal advice surgeries. The Surgery Sessions are in the Parish Office, just ring the doorbell at the Presbytery. If you would like free, independent, impartial and confidential advice, (for example) debt, employment, housing, consumer rights (the list is not exhaustive) then come along on the last Wednesday of every month between 7.30pm – 9.00pm. Next session is Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> May 2023.

### **MUSICIANS NEEDED**

The Choir at the 6.30pm Mass are looking for a Guitarist. If you are interested please speak to the choir before or after Mass. Thank you!

### **CANCER UK-SALONE CHARITY PROSTATE CANCER CAMPAIGN**

On Sunday, 4 June Tina Davies, from Cancer UK, will be hosting the Cancer UK-Salone Charity's Prostate Cancer Campaign in the Main Hall after the 11:30am Mass, to distribute leaflets and raise awareness. This campaign aims to raise awareness about prostate cancer, the most common cancer affecting men in the UK. The leaflets will provide information about the disease, its symptoms and the importance of early detection. We invite you to join us in this important cause and to support the work of the Cancer UK-Salone Charity in providing vital support to those affected by cancer.

### **CAFOD**

Did you know that Church teaching says that we should not only support those in poverty but also tackle the root causes of poverty? Pope Benedict XVI said that "Love —caritas— is an extraordinary force which leads people to opt for courageous and generous engagement in the field of justice and peace." For decades CAFOD has spoken out against injustice. To find out more and get involved in tackling the root causes of poverty, please go to [cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns](http://cafod.org.uk/latestcampaigns)

### **PILGRIMAGE TO LOURDES**

All are invited to join the Diocese of Westminster's annual Pilgrimage to Lourdes from 21<sup>st</sup> to 28<sup>th</sup> July 2023, led by HE Cardinal Vincent Nichols. Book now to avoid disappointment as places are limited via the Tangney Tours portal at: <https://www.tangney-tours.com/pilgrimages/lourdes/westminster-lourdes>

If you have previously indicated 'St Frai Pilgrim' on an Expression of Interest Form, or know of someone with significant medical and mobility needs who intends to come to Lourdes, contact the Pilgrimage Office on 0207 798 9173 immediately, so the Medical Team can look into assisting with requirements and care. Similarly, all individuals or groups intending to travel independently to join Westminster in Lourdes, by making their own travel and accommodation arrangement, must confirm this in writing to the Pilgrimage Office by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2023 as well as submit payment towards the Pilgrims' Levy at £35 per pilgrim. Visit the Lourdes Pilgrimage web page <https://rcdow.org.uk/pilgrimages/lourdes/> or contact Elizabeth at the Pilgrimage Office on 0207 798 9173.

### **RETRouvaille: A PROGRAMME FOR COUPLES STRUGGLING IN THEIR MARRIAGES**

Retrouvaille is a programme to support couples who have difficulties in their marriage. The programme helps spouses uncover or re-awaken the love, trust and commitment that originally brought them together. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about 'Retrouvaille' or to register for the next programme commencing with a Virtual weekend on 6 - 9 July 2023 or a Face to Face weekend in Welwyn Garden City on 13-15 October 2023, call or text 07887 296983 or 07973 380443 or email [retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com](mailto:retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com) - or visit [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

### **DEPUTY HEADTEACHER REQUIRED AT OUR LADY OF MUSWELL CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL – SEPTEMBER 2023**

Our Lady of Muswell Catholic Primary School, Muswell Hill, London is seeking to appoint a Deputy Headteacher from September 2023. Full details of this job vacancy can be found at <https://www.tes.com/jobs/vacancy/deputy-headteacher-haringey-1844903>. If you are interested or require further information, please contact the School Business Manager - Katherine Johnston on 020 8444 6894 or email [sbm@ourladymuswell.haringey.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@ourladymuswell.haringey.sch.uk). Application Deadline is Wednesday 17th May 2023 at 5pm.

### **FEDERATION OF ST PETER'S AND ST GILDAS' CATHOLIC INFANT & JUNIOR SCHOOLS - HORNSEY**

Federation of St. Peter's & St. Gildas' Catholic Infant & Junior Schools, Hornsey, London is seeking to appoint an Assistant Headteacher from September 2023. Full details of this job vacancy can be found at

<https://haringeyeducationpartnership.co.uk/blog/2023/05/11/st-peters-and-st-gildas-schools-assistant-headteacher/>  
If you are interested or require further information, please contact the School Business Manager - Katherine Johnston on 020 8348 1902 or email [sbm@st-gildas.haringey.sch.uk](mailto:sbm@st-gildas.haringey.sch.uk). Application Deadline is Monday 22nd May 2023 at 9am.