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# **ST. MARY OF THE ANGELS**



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DATE Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 2023 Seventh Sunday of Easter Year A

DIVINE OFFICE Week 3

## Live-stream: All of our services are now Live-streamed.

Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> May 1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday	6:00pm	Int. of Dawn & Tony Mercer (45th Wed Ann) (DM)
Sunday 21 <sup>st</sup> May Seventh Sunday of Easter	9:30am	People of the Parish
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> May Easter Feria	9:15am	Peter Cox <sub>RIP</sub> (EW)
<u>Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May</u> Easter Feria	9:15am	Bernadette Duggan <sub>RIP</sub> (P&SS)
Wednesday 24 <sup>th</sup> May Easter Feria		No Services Today
Thursday 25 <sup>th</sup> May St. Bede the Venerable Priest, Doctor of the Church Memorial	7:00pm	Private Intention
Friday 26 <sup>th</sup> May St. Philip Neri Priest Memorial	9:15am	Bridget Leighton RIP (A&IK)
Saturday 27 <sup>th</sup> May St. Augustine of Canterbury <sub>Bishop</sub> <sub>Feast</sub> (1 <sup>st</sup> Mass of Sunday)	10-11am	Tomas Daly <sub>RIP (5th Anniversary)</sub> <sup>(D&amp;VD)</sup> <i>Exposition, Confessions &amp; Benediction</i> People of the Parish
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May Solemnity of Pentecost	9:30am	Francis Patton RIP (The Patton Family)

## **Pope Francis:**

Jesus ascends to the Father to intercede on our behalf, to present our humanity to Him. Thus, before the eyes of the Father, our lives, our hopes, our wounds are always present through Jesus' humanity.

# This Week's CaFOD Prayer (Seventh Sunday of Easter)

Help us, Lord Jesus, to keep your commandments, so that we in obedience may receive the Advocate, the Spirit of Truth, you promised to ask your Father to send to us.

## Craft & Natter

Craft & Natter will be having their half-term break on **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> May**, returning on **Tuesday 6<sup>th</sup> June**. Everyone is welcome to come along. 50p per session for drinks and supplies. Come for the whole day or for part of the day; just remember to bring your lunch. For more information call Christine on 01922 860981

#### **Sunday Coffee Mornings**

Every Sunday after the 9:30am Mass in the Meeting Room. If you have not yet joined us after Mass why not pop in for a tea/coffee and a biscuit?

## We would love to see you there!

## **Deanery Meetings**

With fewer people and fewer priests big changes are needed, yet the mission of the Church remains the same. So how do we deal with this situation? This is the question we are asking, and we need you, the laity, to offer your reflections. A meeting is being held at St. Mary the Mount on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 6-8pm & at Tamworth on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May 1-3pm. You only need to go to one of these meetings! Could you come along to help?

## **Pope's Prayer Intention**

The Pope's prayer intention for May is:-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.

## **Second Collection**

This weekend, 20<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> May, there will be a retiring collection. This collection, taken for 'Catholic Communications', supports the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England & Wales in their work to promote the faith.

## Sick in the Parish

Pray for the sick in the parish, remembering especially:

Nichola Woodhall, Annie McManus, Frances Hutchcocks, Paul Corbett, Barbara McAnulty, Carmel Fekete, Geoff Hopkinson, Tony & Lynn Stanley, John Green, Roy Allsopp, Janet Chambers, Jo Hawker, Alison Welton, Louise Morgan, Stephen Brook, Margaret Davis, Mary Brough, Joe Bannister, Morris Moseley, Margaret Healy, Juliet Woodhall, Luke Smith, Catherine Shepherd, Jim Smith, David Goodwin, Antonio Bigongiari, Olivia (Dotty) Cutler, Ann & Keith Allford, Joan Hart, Anna Morgan née Meehan, Margaret Cooper, Holly Brady, Mander, Jo Cooke. Mike Anne Humphreys, Paul Mott, Theresa Chandler, Fr. Paul Chamberlain, Cath Breen, Max Lewis, David & Sheila Piggott, **Clare** Cooksey Áine & McDonagh.

Pray also those who carry the burden of their illnesses privately and those who care for them.

# Praying for the Unborn



Children's Liturgy takes place every Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. At the start of the Mass the children will be invited to go out to the Meeting Room for their Liturgy. All children are welcome to come along.

## **Recently Deceased**

Of your charity please pray for the repose of the souls of Derek Walker & Paul McGough on whose souls Sweet Jesus have mercy, may they rest in peace.

## **Talking Mental Health**



Following Mental Health Awareness week, 15th-21st May, Life Charity is hosting an open day reflecting on: 'Talking Mental Health and the work of the Life Charity'. This event is taking place on Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> May from 11am-1pm at the Life Help station, 23 Glebe Street, Walsall, WS1 3NX. There will be light refreshments available. Due to limited space booking is essential via 07786 390861. (Please note there is a flight of stairs to enter the venue).

## **Congratulations**



We offer our prayers and our congratulations to **Bella-Renee P** who was baptised here last weekend. We pray also for her parents and Godparents as they take on the responsibility of raising her in the practice of the faith.



In this month dedicated to Our Lady, let us pray for the grace to always be close to the Lord as the Blessed Virgin is close to Him, especially in our prayers for our vulnerable neighbours, including the sick and infirm, the widow and orphan, and the unborn. Lord hear us

#### **Becoming a Welcoming Church**

At Father Hudson's we know that so happens much already in parish communities, doing what they can to welcome the refugees, help the homeless, support those living with dementia, and valuing the contribution to parish liturgical and community life of those who experience disability. We want to encourage the social mission of the Church by sharing our own experience of parishioners from around the Diocese, to foster the great work in parishes. You can join in our third online evening meeting, on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May, from 7:30pm to 8:30pm.

The session is on 'Disability'; there is no charge, simply email

fundraising@fatherhudsons.org.uk to register and a link will be sent.

## **Church Cleaning Rota**

The new rota for Church Cleaning duties is now available to collect from the table in the porch.

## **Prayer Intentions for Lourdes**

If you would like Níamh to take intercessions on your behalf to the Shrine of Our Lady of Lourdes please place them in a sealed envelope and give them to Níamh, or to Fr. Craig, ASAP.

## Sacrament of the Sick

Please remember to inform Fr. Craig **directly** in case of sickness, especially if it requires hospital treatment or a prolonged absence from Mass. If you cannot inform the clergy yourself it is then your family who should take on this responsibility.

Collections:	
Last Week's Offertory:	£236.25
Weekly Standing Orders:	£870.00
Spring Market:	£883.22

#### **Baptism Enquiries**

If you would like to have your child Baptised here at St. Mary of the Angels, please visit the 'Baptismal Enquiry' page of the parish website using the following link: https://www.catholicaldridge.co.uk/baptis mal-enquiries.html Here you can complete a 'Baptism Enquiry Form'. The Baptism next available dates for Preparation are:

> 7pm Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> July 7pm Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> September 7pm Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November

PARISH DUTIES THIS WEEKEND: 20 <sup>TH</sup> /21 <sup>ST</sup> MAY 2023			
6:00PM VIGIL MASS	<b>READERS:</b>	John H & Cathy S	
9:30am Sung Mass	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Choir	
	<b>READERS:</b>	Martin B & Mark H	
Duties During the Week: 22 <sup>nd</sup> - 27 <sup>th</sup> May 2023			
CLEANERS:	Team C		
FLOWERS:	Sally & Shelagh		
PARISH DUTIES NEXT WEEKEND: 27 <sup>th</sup> /28 <sup>th</sup> May 2023			
6:00pm Vigil Mass	WELCOMERS:	Dawn M	
	WARDENS:	Tony M	
	<b>READERS:</b>	Hugh D & Pat H	
<u>9:30am Sung Mass</u>	<b>MUSIC:</b>	Folk Group	
	WELCOMERS:	Margaret L, Helen A & Elena S	
	WARDENS:	Pat & Sally S	
	<b>READERS:</b>	Helen C & Alice G	
COFFEE:	Sarah B, Catherine & Francesca A		

<u>And finally</u>:- At His Ascension into heaven our Lord told His disciples to "stay in Jerusalem" and to wait for "what the Father had promised". This of course, as we know, was the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. The coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost empowered the Apostles to leave the Upper Room, filled with faith, to proclaim the Good News, "making disciples of all the nations". Today we, the church, are being called to find new ways of proclaiming the Good News of Jesus Christ – the message of salvation that is ever ancient and ever new – to our world of today. If we, like those first disciples of the Lord, are to succeed in the mission to which the Lord has called us, we too must pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on the Church. We must discern His action in our lives; we must be attentive to His prompting, and we must be generous in offering ourselves to God through the service of our lives.

May God bless you all, Fr. Craig