

Sunday (1st May) Readings

1st Reading – Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41

Psalm – 29

2nd Reading – Apoc 5: 11-14

Gospel – John 21: 1-19

Intentions

6pm Liam Carty RIP

9am The People of the Parish

11am In thanksgiving for the Lord's Faithfulness and for all doing A Level exams



Parish Of St Simon Stock



1st May 2022

3rd Sunday Easter Yr C

Newsletter

Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

Communion Antiphon

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread alleluia.

Mon 10am St Athanasius

Margaret Ward & Douglas Ward RIP

Tue 10am SS Philip & James

Liturgy of the Word

6pm Evening Prayer on Zoom

Wed 10am English Martyrs

Marie Glynn RIP

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 2PM TO 10PM

Thu 10am Feria

Caroline Harford RIP

Fri 8pm Feria

Bridie McManus RIP

Confessions

Friday 7.30pm – 7.50pm & Saturday 5.15pm to 5.45pm
and also by appointment 07305831925.

Next Sunday (8th May) Readings

1st Reading – Acts 13: 14, 43-52

Psalm – 99

2nd Reading – Apoc 7: 9, 14-17

Intentions

6pm Robert Sloan RIP

9am John & Kathleen Drumm RIP

11am The People of the Parish

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Lee O'Loughlin and Eileen Way. We also remember those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: John Thomas, Larry Turner, Violet Owen, Phyllis Hollingsworth, Albert Byrne, Winifred Brook, Hannah Harris, Winifred Hicks, Maria Fulgoni, Violet Secular, and Lawrence Ward. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Sick and Housebound: We pray for all those who are sick and the housebound. We pray especially for all those in our parish and their families. **St Simon Stock, keep them in your care**

Mass Intentions: Please make cheques payable to St Simon Stock Church. See website for details of how to make a bank transfer.

100 Club (Parish Lottery) - Cash Prizes to be won monthly! Annual Subscription £12 per number. April winners £100 = No 9 Trish Mineham £50 = No 244 Richard de Verteuil £25 = No 4 Margaret Ridgewell

Parish Gift Aid - If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please ring Steve Duxbury on Medway 862125

Parish notices:

1. The month of May is the month which the piety of the faithful has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady Mary therefore every day after Mass in May we will say Litany of the Blessed Virgin Mary (*Litany of Loreto*).
2. There is no 2nd collection today, **next weekend 2nd Collection for Priests Training Fund.** Please take an envelope with you today.

Parish Feast Day - Volunteers Needed

To allow the Feast Day Celebrations on 15th May after 11am Mass to go ahead we need volunteers, at least 3 people per activity. A list has been put up at the back of the church showing the areas where help is needed. **PLEASE SIGN UP**

The Sponsored Walk will take at 12.30pm on the church field. You can do as many laps as you are able. Sponsorship forms are available at the back of the church. Please take one. **Please sponsor Fr Pawel. If he is sponsored up to £500 he will do 25 laps of the field. If he is sponsored £500 - £999 he will do 50 laps. If he is sponsored £1000 he will do 50 laps of the field AND walk to Rochester Castle.**

Calling All Bakers - As with previous celebrations, we are asking for Home-Made Cakes to share (nothing that needs a spoon to eat it with).

Wednesday Adoration:

When Jesus was on the cross at Golgotha, He said, "I thirst." He wasn't just thirsty for a drink, He was thirsty for you and your love. Adoration on Wednesdays is a time when you can show Jesus your love by being before Him, while He's in the Blessed Sacrament, exposed on the altar, for you. In the 8 hrs from 2pm to 10pm, can't you find some time, however little, to be with Him? The apostles couldn't manage to stay awake for an hour in the Garden of Gethsemane. Could you?



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Parish News

Concert for Ukraine

Medway Singers and St Simon's Choir will be putting on a concert to raise money for the crisis in Ukraine on Sunday 22nd May at 6pm in the church. Please come along and support this very important cause and show your solidarity with our brothers and sisters displaced or suffering in the war.

Glad to Be Grey

Glad to be Grey have finalised their holiday programme and there is a poster in the church lobby. Application Forms are available from Teresa Mazza.

Plant Stall for Parish Feastday Celebrations

If you have very kindly planted seeds/taken cuttings for the plant stall can you please give Josie a ring on 07915 601076 to let her know.

PARISH AGM

We are still waiting for some reports to come in. Many thanks to those who have sent them. Can we please have the rest of the reports so that we can plan a date for the meeting.

"My Day By Day" for EASTER :

Available on table on the way out of the church. **Please Note that the price has increased to £1.15** please take one and leave money in the wooden tray. Thank you.

Our Lady of Fatima talk by Rev Dr. Thomas Crean OP

Catholic men are invited to join the Catholic Men's Group at St John Fisher Parish, Rochester on Friday 13th May 7pm onwards to hear more about this topic from Rev. Dr. Thomas Crean OP, Dominican priest, theologian, and cofounder of the Dialogos Institute. He has taught in the UK, Ireland, Austria and the USA, and is the author of *God is No Delusion: A Refutation of Richard Dawkins*; *The Mass and the Saints*; *Letters to a Non-Believer*; *St Luke's Gospel: A Commentary for Believers*; and co-author of *Integralism: A Manual of Political Philosophy*. Contact: StJohnFisherCMG@outlook.com

Prayer for Peace in Ukraine

Father in Heaven, have mercy on us and on the whole world! You sent Your Son, the Prince of Peace, for the salvation of the world. We pray that the Peace of Christ will reign in Ukraine. Please protect and send aid to those in Ukraine and all who are at-risk. We pray for peace - we pray for all who are working towards it and for all who are in danger from this conflict. We pray for an end to violence and war - we pray for wisdom for all leaders who have a hand in this. Lord God, please help those in most need of your mercy. Blessed Virgin Mary, Queen of Peace, pray for us! Saint Joseph, Protector of Mary, Jesus and the Church, pray for us! Lord Jesus, Prince of Peace, may your kingdom reign in Ukraine and all the world. Amen.

Community Events

Sun 1 May	No 2 nd Collection today Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass
Mon 2 May	Holy Rosary on Zoom at 7pm
Tue 3 May	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm UCM Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm
Wed 4 May	Eucharistic Adoration 2pm - 10pm
Thu 5 May	Cubs/Scouts from 5.45pm onwards Parish Finance Committee Meeting 6.30pm in parish office Choir practice 8pm in church
Fri 6 May	Confirmation Class 5.30pm to 6.30pm in Emmaus Hall
Sun 8 May	2 nd Collection for Priests Training Fund
Mon 9 May	First Holy Communion Preparation at St Benedicts at 3.30pm Holy Rosary on Zoom at 7pm
Tue 10 May	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm Bereavement Group Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7pm
Wed 11 May	Eucharistic Adoration 2pm - 10pm
Thu 12 May	Cubs/Scouts from 5.45pm onwards Choir practice 8pm in church
Fri 13 May	Funeral of Eileen Way at Medway Crematorium at 3pm First Holy Communion Preparation 3.30pm in Emmaus Hall Confirmation Class 5.30pm to 6.30pm in Emmaus Hall
Sat 14 May	First Holy Communion Preparation at 10am in Emmaus Hall
Sun 15 May	2 nd Collection for the Development Fund PARISH FEAST CELEBRATIONS AFTER 11AM MASS Join us for an afternoon of food, fun and Games. Sponsored Walk at 12.30 pm, BBQ from 1pm followed by Home Made Cakes. Games from 2pm. There will also be a Plant Stall.