This Sunday (5th May) Readings

1st Reading - Acts 10: 25-26,34-35,44-48

Psalm -97

2nd Reading – 1 John 4: 7-10 Gospel - John 15: 9-17

Intentions

6pm Frederick St Clair & Olive Alexandra Burgess RIP **9am**: The People of the Parish

11am Clayton Family Intentions

Hymns for 11am Mass: 602, 530, 885, 263

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard: proclaim to the ends of the earth; the Lord has freed his people, alleluia!

Communion Antiphon

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete to be with you for ever, alleluia!

Mon 10am Feria Tue 10am Feria Wed 10am Feria

Fri 8pm Feria

Tomas Halpin RIP For the Recovery of Mary Chambers John Dalvin RIP

Eucharistic Adoration 2pm – 10pm

Thu 9.30am The Ascension of the Lord 2pm Mass at St Benedicts 8pm

Wellbeing of Mavis Westbrook Private intention The People of the Parish Agnieszka Markowska RIP

Confessions:

Fridays 7.15pm to 7.50pm and Saturdays 5.15pm to 5.45pm

Next Sunday (12th May) Readings

1st Reading - Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26

Psalm -102

2nd Reading – 1 John 4: 11-16 Gospel - John 17: 11-19

Intentions

6pm Intentions of the Seidu Family 9am Philomena Ward RIP 11am The People of the Parish

4pm: Mass in Polish Jacek Glogowski RIP

Deaths and Anniversaries

Please pray for all those who have died recently, especially Denis Manley (his funeral will be on Fri 31st May at 11am.) and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time of year: Maria Fulgoni, Violet Secular, Lawrence Ward, James Mesher, Pasqualina Petraglia, Stanislawa Bielec, Margaret Howlett, David Kelleher, Anna Hodgson, Enda White, Liz Connell, Richard Rowntree and Bernard Hull. 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. May winners: £50 = No. 258 Kevin Leahy £25 = No. 144 Dermot Bassett. Parish Gift Aid Scheme: If you wish your offertory and other donations to be gift-aided please contact Sandra Rocco on 07720 772089

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Parish Notices:

- 1. The 2nd Collection this weekend will be an EMERGENCY CAFOD APPEAL FOR THE FAMINE IN SUDAN. Your donations will help provide emergency food packages, as well as other essentials like medicine, repairing damaged water pipelines and providing sanitation in refugee camps.
- 2. This Saturday at 2pm children from our Parish received Jesus for the first time at First Holy Communion Mass. Please pray for: Amelia Boffa, Isla Fisher, Oliver Gardiner, Lily Gleadall, Frankie Goodearl, Ella Kehl, Henry Patmore, Areem & Dawood Qasar, Kacper Rubak, Jonathan Seriboh and Adam Tokarz. I would like to congratulate them and their families and thank the Catechists of the Reconciliation and Eucharist Programme for their effort in preparing the children and supporting them during their First Holy Communion Masses.
- 3. On Monday 6th May at 7.30 pm in the Parish Hall the 4th meeting about Lord's Prayer we will reflect on the words: Thy Kingdom Come. All are welcome!
- 4. On Thursday 9th May is Solemnity of The Ascension of the Lord (Holyday of Obligation). Masses: at 9.30 am, 2 pm (at St Benedict's school) and 8pm.

NEW CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED

If you enjoy singing and would like to become a member of our adult church choir, please come along and either introduce yourself to Josie at the end of 11am Mass on a Sunday or come to a choir practice - we meet every Thursday at 8pm in the church. The choir sings at 11am Mass every Sunday, for all parish liturgical events, and for funerals and weddings upon request. We need tenors and sopranos, but all voices are welcome. And don't panic, you don't have to read music!

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St Thomas More

Parish Safeguarding Rep Margaret Whitworth; waldersladesg1@safeguardrcaos.org.uk tel: 07811 852267

Please note: Parish Office is located in the new church extension

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Parish News

PARISH FEASTDAY CELEBRATIONS ON 19TH MAY AFTER 11AM MASS

Sponsored Walk forms are available in the lobby. Please take one and fill them up with lots of sponsors. THERE IS ALSO A HELPERS LIST. PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME DOWN WHERE YOU CAN HELP. We also need bottles for the Bottle Tombola and plants for the Plant Stall (We hope you've all been planting seeds and taking cuttings!) Please leave bottles in the parish hall. As well as all that, we also need people to bring homemade cakes to share. THANK YOU EVERYONE FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!!!

WE NEED MORE READERS AT ALL MASSES

If you would like to join the reader's rota for Saturday 6pm, Sunday 9am or 11am Masses please contact Josie in the parish office or email her on walderslade@rcaos.org.uk. Many thanks.

MEDWAY CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP

Fri 10th May - Special event with Bishop Paul Hendricks at St Michael's Chatham 7-10pm Adoration & Rosary, talk on 'faith and science' by Bishop Paul, then dinner. Car park avail. No cost but please consider bringing a bottle/ fish/vegetable Indian dish to share. Email: medwaycatholicmen@outlook.com

VACANCIES AT THE ARCHDIOCESE

Vacancies for an Episcopal Vicar and Bishop Group Secretary and a Priests' Welfare & Wellbeing Officer. See main noticeboard for details.



Community Events

Sun 5 May	2 nd Collection CAFOD EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR SUDAN
Mon 6 May	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm An Evening with the Lord's Prayer 7.30pm in Parish Hall
Tue 7 May	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm UCM Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30pm
Wed 8 May	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 9 May	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 10 May	Children's Choir practice in the Parish Hall at 4.30pm First Holy Communion Mass Rehearsal at 5pm in church Confirmation Class at 6.30pm in Parish Hall
Sat 11 May	First Holy Communion Mass at 2pm
Sun 12 May	2 nd Collection World Communications Children's Liturgy at 11am Mass MASS IN POLISH AT 4PM
Mon 13 May	Rosary on Zoom at 6pm An Evening with the Lord's Prayer 7.30pm in Parish Hall
Tue 14 May	Evening Prayer on Zoom at 6pm Bereavement Support Group in the Parish Hall at 7pm
Wed 15 May	EUCHARISTIC ADORATION 2pm to 10pm
Thu 16 May	Beavers/Cubs/Scouts from 5.30pm onwards term time only Adult Choir practice in the church at 8pm
Fri 17 May	Children's Choir practice in the church at 4.30pm Confirmation Class at 6.30pm in Parish Hall
Sun 19 May	2 nd Collection World Communications PARISH FEASTDAY CELEBRATIONS AFTER 11AM MASS

Prayer for Peace

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 the whole world. Please protect and send aid to those 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 these conflicts. 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 all the world. Amen.

In these difficult times when finances are stretched to the limit, it is our Christian duty to help others. If you need financial support, please call. Fr. Pawel on the parish mobile or speak to him confidentially in person.

