

# ST. MARY MOTHER OF GOD PARISH

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Baptisms & Marriages by appointment

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30-6.00pm and by appointment

Parish Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Thurs 8.15am-4.00pm



## Pentecost Sunday

Year B

20<sup>th</sup> May 2018

Come Holy Spirit

Eastertide ends with the glorious feast of Pentecost. In the liturgy of recent weeks, and especially with the Ascension, we, the disciples of Jesus, have been promised the gift of the Holy Spirit and his power.

The **First Reading** (Acts 2: 1–11), which we hear each year, is a dramatic account of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the apostles and of its wondrous effects. Today we celebrate the birth of the Church.

The **Psalm** (103) is a hymn of praise to the Creator, and a prayer that he will fill us, his Church and the whole world, with his Spirit.

In the **Second Reading** (1 Cor. 12: 3–7, 12–13), St Paul clearly distinguishes the difference between a life guided by the Spirit and that led by self-indulgence. We are encouraged to lead a Spirit-filled life, following Christ's example and manifesting his gifts.

The **Gospel** (John 15: 26–7, 16: 12–15) takes us back to Jesus's words at the Last Supper, and his promise to send the Holy Spirit, who is our Advocate, our teacher, and our memory. He is the Spirit of truth who will lead us to the complete truth. He is a witness to Christ, and we too share in this witness.

As we celebrate this climax of Eastertide, I may wish to spend time this week pondering what these last fifty days have meant to me.

**Second Collection:** There will be a second collection **next weekend** for the Society of the Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC).

**St. Mary's Summer Fayre** will take place on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June, 1.00pm-4.00pm. The next planning meeting will be **this Wednesday** 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 8.00pm in the Parish room. **Grand Draw** tickets will be available after every mass.

**Summer Fayre Donations:** Planning for the Summer Fayre is well underway and we are now ready to start asking for your kind donations. Items to be donated this year are: Bottles, (alcoholic beverages (wine, beer, spirits and some soft drinks), NEW toys and games (please not second-hand toys this year), New toiletries and gift sets, New unwanted gifts, Chocolate and Sweets, Books (Adult and Children's good quality second-hand books) and good quality unwanted household items. Please leave your donations in the church porch or during school time in the donations trolley in the playground. Thank you very much for everything you are able to donate, without such donations so many stalls cannot happen.

**May Queen Procession with Sunday Mass** will be on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June at 10.30am. That weekend Masses will be 6.30pm on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> June and 8.00am and 10.30am on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> June. (Please note the normal 9.30am & 11.30am are amalgamated that Sunday only). There will be refreshments after the mass in the parish hall – please do come along and join us!

**Danny McAuley:** Danny's funeral will take place on Weds 23<sup>rd</sup> May at 1.00pm, followed by a burial at Eastbrook Cemetery.

**Sean McCarthy:** Sean's funeral will take place on Fri 25<sup>th</sup> May at 10.00am, followed by a burial at Romford Cemetery.

**Edna Sullivan:** Edna's body will be received into the church on Thurs 31<sup>st</sup> May at 5.00pm and her funeral will take place on Fri 1<sup>st</sup> June at 10.00am, followed by a cremation at Upminster.

**Maureen Harrington:** Maureen's body will be received into the church on Mon 4<sup>th</sup> June at 4.00pm and her funeral will take place on Tues 5<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am, followed by a burial at Upminster.

Please pray for Danny, Sean, Edna, Maureen and their families. May they Rest In Peace.

**First Holy Communion & Confirmation:** Please pray for our young people who will be making their First Holy Communion in May and for those who will be Confirmed on Pentecost Sunday, 20<sup>th</sup> May at the 11.30am mass.

**Sending Greetings to Fr Ticão:** Fr Ticão, parish priest of our twin parish, São Francisco de Assis, São Paulo, Brazil, celebrates 40yrs of Priesthood on 8<sup>th</sup> July. In 2000, Fr Ticão and 12 parishioners visited St Mary's. Do you remember? We would like to send our congratulations to Fr Ticão. Next week, you can write your messages on sheets of paper at the back of the church. These will be put in a display book which Lily will take to the celebration in Brazil.

**ARE YOU WONDERING WHAT OUR CONNECTION WITH BRAZIL IS ABOUT?** Pick up the leaflet in the church porch to find out! Thank you.

**Children in Year Five:** Will the children in year 5 please see Fr Martin after mass.

**Year Six, St. Mary's:** Please pray for the children in year six who will be in the Isle of Wight from Monday-Friday. Fr Martin will join them for two days.

**Interested in the Catholic Faith (RCIA)** If you wish to know more, please see Fr Martin or Eileen Jonas or enquire at the Parish office.

**Afternoon tea for our senior parishioners:** St Mary's Presents would like to invite you to a free afternoon tea and social on Saturday 2nd June 2pm-5pm in the parish hall. To reserve a space or if you have any queries please call Brenda on 01708 452442. If anyone is able to help at this event from 1pm-5pm, please also contact Brenda.

**Save the Date – Let’s Celebrate!!** Please join us to celebrate the contribution made by the many volunteers who support our Parish & Church at a mass of Thanksgiving on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> September at 6.30pm. Refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.

**Stewards of the Gospel: Up-Date on the Process:** Bishop Alan has recorded a video message to us all and it is now available on the diocesan website by clicking anywhere on the Home page.

**Pass It On!** Every first Saturday, 2-4pm in the parish hall. This is a free social event for older generations to pass on stories, skills and advice to younger generations. All welcome! If you require help with transportation or for more info call Joanne on 01708 747026.

**Sacred Heart of Mary Girls’ School, Upminster:** We wish to warmly invite you to a pupils & staff Reunion to be held at the school on Saturday 7th July 2018 between 2pm and 5pm. Come back, meet up with some old friends and teaching staff and have a look around the school to spark fond memories! To purchase a ticket please telephone the school on 01708 222660.

**Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes:** Come this summer on the Diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes with Bishop Alan, from Monday 23 - Saturday 28 July. For further information, please telephone Tangey Tours on 01732 886 666. If you are bringing your own parish group at the same time as the diocesan pilgrimage, please inform the pilgrimage's administrator Cathy O'Connor, so that we can plan well: [cathy\\_oconnor83@hotmail.com](mailto:cathy_oconnor83@hotmail.com). We would ask for a donation of £10 per pilgrim for which you will receive a diocesan lanyard, liturgy booklet and pilgrimage booklet.

**St. Alban’s Tea Dance:** The next Tea Dance is on the 23rd May from 1.30 – 4.30pm at St Albans Parish Hall, Langdale Gardens, RM12 5LB. Dancing to Walter Kennedy, playing music to suit all tastes. Refreshments will be available. Admissions £5.00, all proceeds to parish funds. For further information, please contact John O’Connor on 07903 366992.

#### **CHURCH EVENTS:**

**Children’s Liturgy:** Sundays for children at the 9.30am Mass.

**Baptism Course:** First and second Thursday of the month.

**Baptisms:** Last Sunday of the month.

**Charismatic Prayer Group:** Wednesdays at 8.00pm in the Van Meenen Room.

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** *Every Thursday 2.30 – 5.30pm & every First Friday from 9.00am – 7.00pm.*

**RCIA Journey in Faith:** Mondays at 7.30pm in the Van Meenen Room.

**Rosary:** Wednesdays at 7.00pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Weekdays after 8.30am Mass in Our Lady’s Chapel. Saturdays after 12 noon Mass in Our Lady’s Chapel.

**St Vincent de Paul Society:** Meets every second and fourth Thursday of the month in the Van Meenen Room. New members always welcome. If you, or anybody you know, would like/need a visit or help from the SVP please contact us through the church office.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK IN OUR PARISH** at home and in hospital, especially Roseleen Ammerman, Margaret Baan, Ashley Baptist, Phil Clerkin, Joyce Cougill, Sharon De Giorgio, Joan Dowding, Leo Duffy, Margaret Faye, William Fernandez, Bernadette Haddle, Kevin Hartie, Baby Nathan Howe, Evelyn Hughes, Mary Hughes, Anne Humphrays, Yvonne Ingham, Sajj Joseph, Cathy Lennon, Bill Lodge, Paul Lodge, Mary McCarthy, Dinah McMahon, Patrick Medlin, Joseph Mifsud, Patricia Mills, Richard Mole, Sheila Murphy, Maureen O’Neill, Kathleen Payne, Philomena Perry, Molly Peters, Anthony Picton, Jill Ridley, Paul David Ridley, Oliver Roome, Maura Shanney, Jane Stevenson, Anne Sullivan, John Sullivan, Alex Taylor, Pat Taylor, Marie Tweedie, Maria Wallace, Mary Wallace, Josie Walsh, David Wells, Maureen Williams and for all our family and friends who are ill. **Please inform us if there is someone seriously ill and let us know if anyone on the list is no longer ill so we can remove their name from our list.**

## **WEEKEND 26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> May 2018:**

**Readers:** Sat. 6.30pm  
Sun 8.00am  
9.30am  
11.30am

Maureen O'Brien / Kathleen Brooker  
Alex Rowley / Sergio Cantoni  
Alan Sabu Mathew / Albert Sabu Mathew  
Nneamaka Ajoh / Nonitza Emilianus

**Bidding Prayers:** Susan Squire

**Coffee Morning Rota:** Group 5

**Offerings 13.05.18:** Envs: £1,256.38

**Church Cleaning:** Group 4

Loose: £1,641.20 Total: £2,897.58

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

Saturday	19 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>12.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	<b>NO MASS</b> Deceased Members of the DeSouza & Remedios Families
Sunday Pentecost Sunday	20 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>8.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b> <b>11.30am</b>	Jim Shanahan RIP Michael Wallace RIP All Parishioners / Susan Brady RIP
Monday St Matthias	21 <sup>st</sup> May	<b>8.30am</b>	Norah Lenehan RIP
Tuesday	22 <sup>nd</sup> May	<b>8.30am</b>	The Heath-Edwards Family RIP
Wednesday	23 <sup>rd</sup> May	<b>1.00pm</b> <b>7.30pm</b>	Requiem Mass: Danny McAuley Mr Lama RIP
Thursday	24 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>8.30am</b> <b>2.30-5.30pm</b>	Deceased of the Delahunty Family / Norah Lenehan RIP Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Friday	25 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>8.30am</b> <b>10.00am</b>	<b>NO MASS</b> Requiem Mass: Sean McCarthy
Saturday	26 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>12.00pm</b> <b>6.30pm</b>	Joan Carroll RIP John McGlade RIP / Deceased of the McArdle Family
Sunday Pentecost Sunday	27 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>8.00am</b> <b>9.30am</b> <b>11.30am</b>	All Parishioners Annette Chandler RIP / Maria Luz Alcedo Ramos RIP Bridget McDonagh Int

***Hospital: Are you going into hospital this week for surgery?  
Fr Martin will be offering the Sacrament of the Sick  
after all Sunday Masses.***