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**3rd May 2026**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Year A**

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH**

**From Father Graham**

May is dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, honouring her as the Mother of God and Queen of Heaven. We will crown her statue in our churches this weekend.

We have a longstanding First Saturdays Devotion in our parish and it was good to see so many parishioners and visitors at the recent visit from the World Apostolate of Fatima, England & Wales, in March this year.

They write...

What is achieved by fulfilling the Five First Saturdays devotion?

*In the first instance we comply with the desire of Jesus to establish devotion to Mary's Immaculate Heart, as revealed by Our Lady in her second apparition on 13th June 1917. She then went on to say, "I promise salvation to those who embrace it, and these souls will be loved by God, like flowers placed by me to adorn his throne."*

*When we fulfil the requirements for making this devotion, as revealed by Our Lady on 10th December 1925, we make reparation for the thorns of blasphemies and ingratitude which pierce Our Lady's Immaculate Heart and by which she is offended. Our Lady then promises to assist those souls who make this devotion "at the hour of death with the graces necessary for salvation."*

What a wonderful consolation, to know that at the moment of death when it is natural to feel a sense of apprehension, one need not fear because Our Lady will be there to assist with the graces needed to ensure eternal salvation!

May God bless you and Our Lady pray for you.

Fr Graham

Fifth Sunday of Easter				Mass Intention
Sat 2 May	10.00	SP	Mass	<i>Ints of Ashley Ralston</i>
<i>St Athanasius</i>	10.30	SP	Rosary & Fatima Devotions	
<b>Sat 2 May</b>	<b>17.30</b>	<b>TT</b>	<b>Vigil Mass</b> <i>(for Sunday)</i>	<i>David Richardson RIP</i>
<b>Sun 3 May</b>	<b>09.00</b>	<b>SP</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<i>Helen Clarke RIP</i>
	<b>11.00</b>	<b>CTK</b>	<b>Mass</b>	<i>For all Parishioners</i>
Mon 4 May	10.00	TT	Mass	<i>[Please note change of time]</i>
Tue 5 May	09.30	CTK	Rosary	
<i>Tuesday after the 5th Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00	CTK	Mass	<i>Irene &amp; Alexander Kwiecinska RIP</i>
	10.30	CTK	Adoration & Confessions	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Wed 6 May	16.30	TT	Mass	
Thur 7 May	09.00	SP	Adoration	
<i>Thursday after the 5th Sunday of Easter</i>	09.30	SP	Mass	<i>Good health of Brigitta Wheele</i>
	16.30	TT	Mass	
	19.30	SP	Adoration, Divine Mercy Chaplet & Confessions	
Fri 8 May	09.30	SP	Mass	<i>Hubert Gilbride RIP</i>
<i>Friday after the 5th Sunday of Easter</i>	10.00	SP	Adoration & Confessions	
	15.00	Zoom	Divine Mercy Chaplet <i>with Stations of the Cross</i>	
	16.30	TT	Mass	
Sat 9 May	10.00	SP	Mass	<i>Richard Clarke RIP</i>
<i>Sat after 5th Sun of Easter</i>	10.30	SP	Rosary	
Sixth Sunday of Easter				
Sat 9 May	17.30	TT	<b>Vigil Mass</b> <i>(for Sunday)</i>	<i>For all Parishioners</i>
Sun 10 May	09.00	SP	Mass	<i>Thanksgiving, Lydia Bungalan</i>
	11.00	CTK	Mass	<i>Maria &amp; Boleslaw Konecki RIP</i>

*Alleluia, alleluia.*  
*I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says the Lord.*  
*No one comes to the Father except through me.*  
*Alleluia.*

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PARISH NEWS

PRAYER INTENTIONS, EVENTS, NOTICES

Please continue to bring your personal prayer intentions to the Prayer Boxes at SP and CTK. These prayer intentions will next be offered at the mass on Friday 5th June.

Please pray for the gift of discernment.

Please also pray for PEACE, for the Diocesan Pastoral Plan, vocations, enquirers to Catholicism, our First Holy Communion children and families meeting this week, our Confirmation candidates, the Baptised, and the cycle of prayer for Eastertide.

From Right to Life

As we enter into this month dedicated to our Blessed Mother, we bring to mind all mothers. That, like Mary, they would be able to love and cherish their children from the point of conception. We pray also that these women would find support in their spouses, family and friends as they journey through the joys and trials of parenthood.

Table with 2 columns: Date and Event. Rows include: Sat 2 May (First Saturday Fatima Devotions, Crowning of Our Lady's Statue, OLQP Bible Film group), Sun 3 (SVP Bookstall), Mon 5 (Bank Holiday, Please note: no Zoom Rosary today), Tue 5 (SP Parish Room, 7.30pm: First Holy Communion meeting), Thur 7 (SP Parish Room, 10.00am: Coffee pop-in), Sat 9 (St Charles Borromeo Church, Worthing, 10.00am: SVP Table Top Sale, OLQP Bible Film group).

Welcome to any newcomers or visitors to our Parish

Eastertide is a great place to start or come back to a faith journey. Do you have questions? Maybe it is useful for you to know that no one has all the answers. God does. We are all growing in faith, day by day. God bless you.

We have a group, 'Come & See', for people to come and discuss faith and ask questions in an informal setting. All are welcome.

Next date: Tuesday 12th May, 7.30pm in the Parish Room at St Peter's.



From YouCat Daily

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514: What position does the Our Father hold among prayers?

The Our Father is "the most perfect prayer" (St. Thomas Aquinas) and the "summary of the whole Gospel" (Tertullian).

The Our Father is more than a prayer—it is a path that leads directly into the heart of our Father. The early Christians recited this original prayer of the Church, which is entrusted to every Christian at Baptism, three times a day. We, too, should not let a day pass without trying to recite the Lord's Prayer with our lips, to take it to heart, and to make it come true in our lives.

To Sing is to Pray Twice (St Augustin)

Just one piece this week written by the Italian Renaissance composer Giovanni Gabrieli (1554-1612): Jubilate Deo.



Let every land praise God, as the man who fears the Lord is blessed. May the God of Israel bind you together and himself be with you, may he send you help from his holiness and watch over you from Sion. The Lord blessed you out of Sion, he who made heaven and earth. Serve the Lord with joy!

Table Top Sale for the SVP

Join us for a Table Top Sale in aid of the St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) on Saturday 9th May at the former St Charles Borromeo Church, located at the junction of Ham Road and Chesswood Road in Worthing. Doors open at 10.00 a.m. There will be a wide variety of items for sale — bric-a-brac, clothes, books, and more. All proceeds will go to support the charitable work of the SVP.

Pilgrimage of Reparation & Consecration

Saturday 18 July 12 noon – 4.15pm, Church of Our Lady of Consolation & St Francis, West Grinstead, RH13 8LT.

A pilgrimage for people across our diocese - the day includes Holy Mass, a personal Consecration to Our Lady, the Glorious Mysteries of the Rosary, Exposition, Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Adoration and Benediction. To find out more contact Linda C-Dominguez T:01273463463 or M:07944377252 or Jayne Lock M: 07816422851 or E:jayne.lock1@gmail.com. Please bring a packed lunch.

Saint Teresa of Calcutta prayed...

If there is anything Jesus requires of me, it is that I rely on him, entrust myself to him alone, give myself to him without reservation... We should not try to control God's actions. We should not count the stages of the journey he wants us to undertake. Even if I feel like a boat drifting away, I should leave myself entirely to him.

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