

The Catholic Parish of Ongar & Doddinghurst



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) SUNDAY 15TH MAY, 2022

**Sunday 15 May Fifth Sunday of Easter Acts 14.21–27 Psalm 144
Revelation 21.1–5 John 13.31–35**

In the book of Acts, Paul went from place to place to spread the gospel That contrasts dramatically with the reading from the book of Revelation. This wonderful vision of John is altogether of a different order. The city found on a map with its local inhabitants, where God dwells with his people is different

We are told 'there was no longer any sea', because from the beginning of Genesis the sea is often a symbol of chaos and disorder, which has no place in the final reality. The beauty of the city, and the betrothal imagery of bride and groom echo throughout the Hebrew Scriptures 'Every tear will be wiped away'.

Throughout the book of Revelation, the language echoes and re-echoes the story of God's people to emphasise that the fulfilment of the story of salvation is at hand: 'Now I am making the whole of creation new'.

The subject of the Gospel passage for today is the new creation. The 'glorification' of Jesus, **the Paschal Mystery, His Passion, Death and Resurrection** which will ultimately bring about that new creation. The command to love one another is to provide the ongoing witness in the world to this truth.

Keep yourself safe and well. *Fr Emile.*

First Holy Communions

The next lesson with the theme 'Sharing a Meal' for the children will be on Wednesday 18th May at St. Margaret's Hall, Doddinghurst. We will pray for the First Holy Communion Children that they may continue to deepen their relationship with Christ.

PPC Meeting

The next PPC Meeting will now be on Tuesday 17th May at 6.30pm at the Presbytery. If you wish to add anything to the agenda then please contact Patrick Maher, the Chairman or Fr. Emile.

Tony Kass

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Tony Kass who sadly passed away recently. The funeral will take place at St Helens on Wednesday 25th May at 10.45am at St Helens followed by a cremation at Bentley Crematorium, Brentwood at 12.30pm.

Second Collection

Next weekend Fr. Pat O'Beirne will be staying with Fr. Emile at the Presbytery and will be speaking to the Parish at the Masses about the Columban Missionaries, for which there will be a collection. Thank you for your kind generosity.

We ask the Parents to encourage the Children to come to the Church. Please, ensure that the children are coming and are familiar with their church. Jesus is waiting to bless all the family.

Platinum Jubilee Sunday 5 June 2022 St Margaret's Church Doddinghurst Cream Teas 2pm - 5pm

We have been asked to represent St. Margaret's Catholic Church in Doddinghurst Village by supplying the Cream Teas at Doddinghurst Village Hall, as part of the Jubilee celebrations. We urgently need volunteers to either prep, serve the teas, clear tables, or wash-up for about an hour at a time on a rota basis, allowing people to help but also to enjoy all the celebrations in the village too! We are also going to provide a small selection of tray bakes, mainly for children, so we would appreciate any donations!

Please let us know if you can help, everyone is welcome, especially also from St. Helen's to represent our whole Parish. If you can spare any time, in any capacity, we will be immensely grateful,

Your church needs YOU!

Please email Sue Maher at sue.maher1@btinternet.com or ring 01277 823750 if you are able to help.

100 Club Thank you to everyone who supports the Parish by being a member of the 100 Club. This raises a small but regular income and gives the members a chance to win every month. If you are not already a member, you can collect application forms from either Church, the parish office or from the website or renew your subscription for next year.

The cost is £24 a year - either cash, cheque or via standing order. 50% of the income goes to the Parish and 50% to the monthly winner. The next draw will be Sunday 29th May at St. Helen's.

Kelly Love

Please note that Kelly Love, the Parish Administrator, will be on holiday from 6th May and will return to the Parish Office on Tuesday 24th May, 2022. For any hall bookings before her return then please contact Sue Maher on 01277 823750 or sue.maher1@btinternet.com.

INFORMATION

Sick/Housebound: Sheena Mackintosh - 01277 821524

Hall Bookings: Kelly Love Parish Office 01277 362645

New Parishioners: Please introduce yourself to Fr Emile after mass

Steward of the Gospel: Alan Chapman 01277 822793

Safeguarding Officer: Peggy Maxwell 01277 525912

Gift Aid Organiser: Bernard Adams 01277 823511

Repository Gift Shop: Ann Jackson (see after mass)

Parish Administrator: Kelly Love 01277 362645

or email ongar@dioceseofbrentwood.org

Weekly Offerings:

Offerings may be made at Mass or posted through the door of the Priest's House marked with your Gift Aid number or you can use your envelopes if you have them. Cheques should be payable to Catholic Church Ongar St Helens and will be dealt with by the Parish Office. Alternatively a bank transfer/standing order with your Gift Aid number as a reference can be made by using Account Number 01017616, Sort Code: 40-13-22. To apply for the Gift Aid Scheme please contact Bernard Adams on 01277 823511. Thank you.

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**Mass Attendance: Apr 30/May 1st: Sat 5:30pm: 15 Sun 8:45am: 37 Sun 10:30am: 29**

**Offertory Collection : £ 285.00**

Thank you for your continued selfless generosity and support.

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)		
Sat 14 May, 2022	(St. H) 5.30pm	ST MATTHIAS, Ap Feast
Sun 15 May 2022	(St. H) 8.45am	Feria Joe Mc Williams RIP
	(St. M) 10.30am	People of the Parish
Mon 16 May 2022	(Ilford) 9.30am	Feria Dr Jim Sainsbury RIP Elaine Cleary RIP Thanksgiving for the Byrne Family James & Katie Loughlin RIP Kathleen Fynes sick Mr Jules Fontaine Get well Kerion John-Lewis Birthday Marjorie Bailey Birthday Mary O'Sullivan
Tue 17 May 2022	(St. H) 9.00am	Feria (Survivors of Sexual Abuse)
Wed 18 May 2022	(St. H) 9.00am	Feria
Thu 19 May 2022	(St. H) 11.00am	Feria Ruby Woodford Birthday Elaine Cleary RIP 36 Anniv.
Fri 20 May 2022	(St. H) 9.00am	Feria
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)		
Sat 21 May 2022	(St. H) 5.30pm	Feria Patrick & Ursula Murphy personal ints
Sun 22 May 2022	(St. H) 8.45am	People of the Parish
	(St. M) 10.30am	People of the Parish

Prayer List: Josie Biggs, Carmen Blackett, Ken Blackett, Carla Brennan, Marvin Bourke, Kathleen Cullen, Matthew Dansey, Richard Denton, Kathleen Donovan, Chris Easter, Lucy Gay, Emma Harnett, Harry & Family, Ron Hawkins, Jane & Family, Joanie, Nawal Freij, Douglas Jason, Veronica Kass, Joanna Keen, Sharon Lewis, Vivian Levett, Anna Lumley, Dean Macaree, Ian Maxwell, William Mortimer, Billy Nurse, Alan Nyman, Paul Nyman, Leslie Pay, Elizabeth Sainsbury, Ann Rayment, Verone Rontganger, Kathy Scott, Margaret Simons, Sophie, Adrian Smith, Amelia Solomon, Mary Sage, Marie Sainsbury, Dave Speller, Jean Thurston, Pam Townsend, John Varellas, Michael Weaver, Frances Wiseman, Ellen Witt, Ruby Woodford, Harrison Wybow, John Harris, Mary Adams, Sonia Denton and all those afflicted by Covid-19.