

Masses and Services at St George & St Teresa

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21ST MAY – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

This weekend there is a second collection for Catholic Communications

Saturday	2pm	Mass for the Sick
	5.30pm	Michael McDermott (EL)
Sunday	8.45am	Pat Murphy RIP (YB)
	10.30am	Bridie Queenan (M&M Family)

WEEKDAY SERVICES

22.5 Mon	10.00am	Easter Feria Patricia McTernan (KW)
23.5 Tue	10.00am	Easter Feria Thanksgiving MEM Career (GMB)
24.5 Wed	10.00am	Easter Feria George & Hannah Int (D&I M)
25.5 Thu	12.30pm	Funeral Michael Feeney
26.5 Fri	10.00am	St Philip Neri Teresa Duke RIP (NW)
27.5 Sat	10.00am	St Augustine Private Int (SC)

28TH MAY – PENTECOST

Saturday	5.30pm	Rita Salloway Int (ML)
Sunday	8.45am	People of the Parish
	10.30am	Margaret Bixby (DB)
	1pm	Baptism Shay Brooke Brogan Burke

Confession Saturday morning 9.15am – 9.45am

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Wednesday 10.30am – 11.15am

Rosary – Monday to Saturday 9.35am

Divine Mercy Chaplet – Friday after Mass

CHURCH CLEANING

This week	D Morgan	P Hogan
Next week	S Chester	H Grosvenor

READERS

This week	5.30pm	8.45am	10.30am
Next week	T Hart	G Seymour	M Heap
	T/J Taylor	G O'Gara	C Loughran

Parish Priest: Fr John Cross

Priest in Residence: Fr Paul Dean, Parish Deacon: Rev Mr Stephen Saum
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St. George & St. Teresa
Catholic Church
Dorridge
Seventh Sunday of Easter
21st May 2023



Dear Parishioners,

In my sermons at Mass on Sunday I have been drawing out the significance of the Church as a community or family of believers. Each one of us belong to the family by virtue of our Baptism when we received the gift of faith. When we leave our home and come to church we may feel alone or on a mission but once we have arrived in church we gather in common purpose with our fellow believers and collectively the Holy Spirit, that resides in us. Look at that word “community” and we see two words “communion” and “unity”. To be in communion with each other means we share the same ethos, to be in Christian communion means we are part of the Body of Christ, to be part of a body means we are a key part of the living being. In Mass and during any occasion when the Body gathers, our strength is our unity. This is a strong argument for understanding the call to gather the community for Mass and for such occasions when the community can be together. Most families look forward to those times when they can meet each other. They find strength and support by sharing their thoughts and ideas, gathering for meals, social occasions, sharing in the joys and sorrows of life together. My hope and vision for our community is that we are united by our faith and that we take every opportunity to meet together in Mass and in our social time together. If you are one of those people who never meets your fellow parishioners after Mass, try to overcome your fears and rearrange your priorities. Sometimes I feel sad when I see parishioners who every weekend are in a hurry to get away. I am sure there are sometimes genuine reasons but an occasional action can become a habit. If you have only an hour or less to give to being with your Christian family in a week of 168 hours then maybe it is time to rearrange your priorities.

I hope every member of our family has their own thoughts on what a community of believers is or can be. We can look to what has gone before and our faith requires us to learn from the past but to walk forwards into the light. St Benedict tells his monks to listen especially to the younger monks. I would like to hear their thoughts and consider them with you but also to hear the views of everyone. I would like to share those thoughts together to reflect on what the Holy Spirit is saying to us. I would like to begin a dialogue and engage with as many people as possible. I shall announce the first place where I would like to meet next weekend. Watch this space!

Every Blessing, Fr John

This year's World Communications Day is celebrated this weekend on Sunday, 21 May 2023. The theme comes from Ephesians 4:15, Speaking with the heart - 'The truth in love'. In his message to mark the day, Pope Francis stresses the need to listen before speaking truth with a pure heart to "see beyond appearances and overcome the vague din which, in the field of information, does not help us discern in the complicated world in which we live." A copy of the Holy Father's message for the day can be found on the notice board in the narthex.

A very special musical evening of "Songs of the Jewish Ukrainian Heartland" featuring Musicians Sasha Lurje, Craig Judelman and Jack B Latimer. To be held at the Royal British Legion, Warwick Road, Knowle on Friday 9th June to include Ukrainian Arts & Crafts - Raffle - Ukrainian Snacks - Cash Bar. Doors open at 7.30pm - Tickets £15 - To book your tickets please email nick.wormald1@googlemail.com or call 07582228428.

Columban Fathers Finance Assistant: We are seeking a part-time Finance Assistant to join our team. You will provide essential day to day financial processing, support and advice. As a member of the Finance team, you will be responsible for keeping accurate and up-to-date records of the Charity's financial activities on both the accounting system (Sage) & associated files. You will also contribute to the effective guardianship of the Charity's resources. This is an exciting opportunity for an enthusiastic and self-motivated professional to contribute to the mission work of the Columbans in Britain. For more details about the position and to apply, please email the HR Advisor at hr@columbans.co.uk.

There will be no SVP Afternoon Tea this week; the next one scheduled for Wednesday 21st June.

The Columban Way Pilgrimage 24-27 May 2023: The Columban Missionaries invite you to celebrate Pentecost and Laudato Si' Week by joining them on a pilgrimage to reflect on 'the cry of the Earth, the cry of the poor'. A Columban group of ordained and lay pilgrims, led by Fr John Boles, will walk in the footsteps of St Columban from Padstow to Fowey in Cornwall from 24-27 May 2023. You are invited to join them as 'virtual' pilgrims and you can also sponsor them. Visit the event page at www.columbans.co.uk or email to: columbanway2023@columbans.co.uk for more details and to register.

You can find out more by going direct to the website via the following link – <https://columbans.co.uk/mission/12352/the-columban-way-pilgrimage-2023/>

Makes you smile:

Teacher: Make up a sentence using the word "fascinate".

Child: My Granny wears a cardigan with nine buttons but she can only fascinate.

‡ *Your Prayers are asked*

For those who are Sick or Housebound: Dorothy Perkins, Michael Grosvenor, Tony Burdett, Jill Baynham, Des Bentley, Rita Salloway, Leo Hughes Jaxon Rochford and Tessa Waters. *Let us also remember those who care for them.*

Anniversaries (this week) from the last 20 years: David Fearnhead, Christine Wallace, Winifred Edwards.

Recently deceased:

Michael Feeney RIP, his funeral will take place on 25th May at 12.30pm.

Peter Reilly RIP, his funeral will take place on 2nd June at 10.30am.

Please see the Hall timetable for next week on the noticeboard.

It is important that users of the Parish Centre arrange bookings (and payments for non-Parish Events) through Oksana Zurak 07967-846 963 or oksanazurak@gmail.com

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