

St Monica's Parish Bulletin



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SUNDAY MASSES: Vigils at 4pm & 5.30pm
, 10am (livestream) 12 Noon & 5pm

WEEKDAY MASSES: 10am

CONFESSIONS: Please contact Fr Ghislain

Baptisms: Speak to Fr Ghislain

Marriages: Please speak to Fr Ghislain. Please note 6 months
' notice is required.

6th Sunday of Easter – B

First Reading: Acts 10:25-26,34-35, 44-46

The Baptism of Cornelius, the first pagan to receive the grace of Baptism, shows that God's salvation is offered to all.

Responsorial Psalm

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Second Reading Jn 4: 7-10

This Contains what is probably the most important statement ever made about God.

Gospel Jn 14-23

Jesus leaves his friends the supreme commandment of love.

Weekly Collection

Offertory Collection: £740.20

Building Fund: £644.70

500 Club

1st Prize No 3. Josephine Docherty

2nd Prize No 502 M Brankin

3rd Prize No. 181 E McCann

First Communion & Confirmation

Please keep in your prayers the children of St Monica's Primary School who are due to celebrate the Sacrament of Holy Communion and Confirmation this month. There is a display at the back of the Church, and I would invite you to sign up and become a prayer partner to one of the children.

The month of May

May is especially "dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which we pay to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, we offer up to Mary from our hearts a special fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" Pope Francis encourages us to pray the rosary throughout May. Please, join us for the Holy Rosary from Monday to Saturday at 9.30am. We will pray the rosary daily for the following intentions.

Daily Prayer Intentions		
8. For all communication workers	16. For all victims of violence and human trafficking	24. For all those who provide essential services
9. For all seniors	17. For all world leaders and for all heads of international organisations	25. For all teachers, students and educators
10. For all people with disabilities	18. For all doctors and nurses	26. For all workers and entrepreneurs
11. For all the poor, the homeless, and the economically distressed	19. For all people at war and for world peace	27. For all the unemployed
12. For all people who live alone and those who have lost hope	20. For all pharmacists and health care personnel	28. For the Holy Father, bishops, presbyters, and deacons
13. For all prisoners	21. For all social workers	29. For all consecrated men and women
14. For all scientists and medical research institutions	22. For all volunteers	30. For the Church
15. For all migrants	23. For all law enforcement and military personnel and for all firefighters	31. For the end of the pandemic and the resumption of our social and economic life

Letter from Bishop Toal to Faithful

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this finds you and your families well.

When I wrote to you on 31st December 2020, I asked for your financial support for the Diocese in the year ahead, particularly in regard to the care of the clergy. A small number of people responded very generously at the time and £20,000 was donated. I thank those who made these significant contributions. Through the month of May, the special collection in our parishes is for the same purpose, more precisely for Sick and Retired Priests, and I seek the support of the whole Diocesan community – contributions can be made in the churches or through Payacharity (box for Sick and Retired Priests) on the Diocesan website – www.rcdom.org.uk. I thank you in advance for your offerings, and ask your prayers also for our elderly clergy, particularly those in residential care.

As Bishop President of SCIAF I also wish to thank all you have responded to this year's "Wee Box" Appeal. Some priests have told me of the generous response through the collections in their parishes and it is very edifying to hear of your kindness to the poor in South Sudan in the midst of our own difficulties. As Catholics we do respond willingly when we hear of the needs of our poorer brothers and sisters in other parts of the world and it is uplifting to hear that we do not forget or ignore them at present. The deadline for making contributions to this year's SCIAF Lenten is May 11th – any monies received before that day will be doubled through the Aid Match Scheme.

With my prayers and best wishes to you and your families,

Yours in Christ,

+ Joseph Toal



Please remember in your prayers

Recently Dead, Anthony Valente, Beth Gilchrist, Theresa Agnew

Sick: Niamh Cassidy, Ann & John McShane, Linda Webb

Months Mind: Agnes Wilson, Bill Paul, Lawrence Molloy

Anniversaries: Frank Wilson & Jim Innes

Please also remember the souls who have no one to pray for them



MASSES TIMES

Monday	9.30am	Holy Rosary
	10am	Holy Mass
Tuesday	9.30am	Holy Rosary
	10am	Holy Mass
Wednesday	9.30am	Holy Rosary
	10am	Holy Mass
	7pm	Vigil Mass - Holiday of Obligation The Ascension of the Lord
Thursday	8am & 7pm	Holiday of Obligation The Ascension of the Lord Holy Mass
	10am	Requiem Mass for Anthony Valente (This mass will be for family & friends only)
Friday		St Matthias – Feast There will be no mass for parishioners on this day.
	10am	Requiem Mass for Theresa Agnew (This mass will be for family & friends only)
Saturday	9.30am	Holy Rosary
	10am	Holy Mass
	4pm & 5.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday	10am, 12 Noon & 5pm	7th Sunday of Easter B