

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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Newsletter 2104 Sixth Sunday of Easter 14th May 2023

Readings: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17 Psalm 65 1 Peter 3:15-18 Gospel John 14:15-21

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Reflection for Sixth Sunday of Easter

The book of the Acts of the Apostles states that after a first violent persecution, the Christian community of Jerusalem, except for the Apostles, spread to the surrounding areas. Philip, one of the deacons, arrived in a city of Samaria. There he preached the Risen Christ, and his proclamation was supported by numerous healings, so that the outcome of the episode was very positive: 'there was much joy in that city'. (Act 8:8). We are repeatedly impressed in a profound way by this expression, which in essence communicates a sense of hope, as if saying: It is possible!! It is possible for humanity to know true joy, because wherever the Gospel comes, life flourishes, just as arid ground, irrigated by rain, immediately turns back to green.

Pope Benedict XVI



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 14TH MAY 2023

John Morrissey (a) & People of the Parish Saturday 5pm

8.15am Stan & Stasia Duraj 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am Norah & Eddie O'Hara Sunday

> 6pm Elizabeth Loboda & Chris & John McAnenny (live-streamed)

Monday 6pm STM School 9.10am Anne Curry

9.30am Liam Pogue & Martin Fawlk (b'day a) Tuesday

9.30am Mary McGorman Wednesday

Thursday Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

> Holyday of Obligation 9.30am Frances Quigley 7pm Michael Rohan

STA School 10am Class Mass (10VN) Andrew Peastan STB School 2pm Ints of Bridie McConnell (95th b'day)

Friday 9.30am Holy Souls

2.30pm Benediction & Adoration (7KEN) STB School Saturday 9.30am Mary Morrissey (b'day a)

> People of the Parish & Frances Quigley 5pm

Parish Rosary Prayer Group after Mass followed by Flame of Love of the **Immaculate Heart of Mary Prayer Meeting**

> EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED **SACRAMENT & CONFESSION** Saturdays 10am—11am

or by appointment

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 21st May 2023

Sunday 8.15am Jack Coombes (a) 9.45am (Polish) 11.15am John McGillen & Catherine Lilian Lavery

Nora Morrissey (b'day a) (live-streamed)

PLEASE NOTE: Mount Carmel 6pm Sunday Mass is now the Live Streamed Mass

Link: www.eventcast.uk/live (Please note: type the link into the browser on your computer, do not use a search engine)

For the Dead ...

Please pray for MICHAEL MUNDY Funeral Mass Thursday 1st June at 10.30am, JOAN REILLY Funeral Service 10.15am Wednesday 24th May at the Abbey Chapel followed by burial, TERESA CONLON Aunt of parishioner May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace.

For the Sick ...

Please pray for Fr Tony, Brian Dixon, Ken McArdle, Caroline & Bob Holland, Francis Keaney, Gail Kavanagh, Christine Murray, Julia Hopkins, Eddie & Geraldine McGroarty, Margaret Geraghty, Alice Cairns, Carina Chalk, Annie Cox, John HEATLEY, BRIDIE MCCONNELL, TRACEY HAWTHORN, DEACON DES CHILTON, DELIA BREE, JULIAN MCRANDAL, MARY MCGORMAN, Jackie Pooly, Elizabeth Peart, Mick O'Connor & Maya Mason, Fiona Evans, Leonard Rose, Annie Cleary, John J Burak

Lamp at the Shrine of Our Lady

This week for the REARDON & DURR FAMILIES Next week in loving memory of Liz Munnerley (A)

Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for MARSDEN & FLYNN FAMILIES Next week Free at the Moment

PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE UKRAINE

Loving God, we pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them. We pray for world



To all those who helped or supported us on the day some lovely photos on our Facebook Page, take a look! Around £1800 taken but expenses to be deducted. Final figure in next week's Newsletter. Raffle Prize winners listed elsewhere on Newsletter

leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices. We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need. May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen. Our Lady Queen of Peace, pray for us

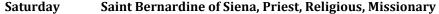
Saints for the week ...

Thursday Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Holyday of Obligation

Friday Saint Dunstan, Bishop

(909-988) St Dunstan belonged to a noble family and served as abbot of Glastonbury (Somerset) and Bishop of Worcester and London and, finally Archbishop of Centerbury. He was zealous in building churches, promoting the monastic life and restoring ecclesiastical discipline. He was buried at Canterbury Cathedral.



(1380-1444) St Bernardine was born in the Republic of Siena (Italy). He entered the Franciscan Order and preached the Name of Jesus to the people of Italy with great fervour. He won the conversion of many souls. He died during a preaching tour at Aquila, where he was buried.

Pope's Prayer Intention for May—for Church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Redditch Carmelite Spirituality Group

You are invited to join us on 20th May in the parish hall at Our Lady of Mount Carmel to pray with Holy Scripture and study the lives of Carmelite Saints. Beginning at 11am we will have refreshments and there will be a shared lunch if you wish to stay. All welcome.

Catholic Social Teaching—Online Forum

The next discussion forum organised by the Diocesan Justice and Peace Commission is Tuesday 23 May at 7pm on Zoom. The topic is Catholic Social Teaching in our Society today and will consider where, nowadays, Catholic Social Teaching is evident and where its principles could improve society where these are absent.

To book a place at this free forum, please go to: https://bit.ly/JandP_Forum_May2023

Laudato Si/CAFOD Parish Group are looking for

members of the Polish community and Keralan Community to join them and represent their communities. They would need to have a reasonable knowledge of the English Language and have an interest in social justice. If interested or would like more information, please contact Susan Porter on 07789 741900

GRAND RAFFLE WINNERS

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| | 1st Prize £100 | Ticket 01229 | Andrew Farrell (taken) | | | |
| | 2nd Prize £50 | Ticket 00212 | Tony (01527 65142) | | | |
| | 3rd Prize Whisky | Ticket 01312 | Teresa & Francis Cordha | | | |
| | 4th Prize Harvey's Sherry | Ticket 00893 | Mary Seaman | | | |
| | 5th Prize Gin | Ticket 00742 | Tom Walsh | | | |
| | 6th Prize Irish Cream | Ticket 00327 | Angie (taken) | | | |
| | 7th Prize Prosecco | Ticket 00522 | Joan (taken) | | | |
| | 8th Prize Red Wine | Ticket 00411 | Ephrayim Kott | | | |
| | 9th Prize Spiced Gin | Ticket 00436 | Lin? (01527 65142) | | | |
| | 10th Prize B&H (Orange) | Ticket 00173 | Angela (taken) | | | |
| | 11th Prize B&H (Rose) | Ticket 00533 | Sheila Russell (taken) | | | |
| | 12th Prize McVities Biscuits | Ticket 00302 | Noah Murphy | | | |
| | 13th Prize Celebrations | Ticket 01605 | M O'Gorman | | | |

VACANCIES

Mount Carmel School requires ASAP Lunchtime Supervisor term time only 12.10pm-1.15pm Mon-Fri Closing date Friday 28 April 3pm Please visit www.magnificat.org.uk/vacancies for application form, all to be completed and returned to Mrs R Kennedy at olmc-office@olmc.magnificat.org.uk

St Paul's School for Girls requires a Lay Chaplain/Chaplain Assistant Please visit http://www.bdes.org.uk/vacancies.html for more information

May the month of Mary

The Memorare

Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary,
that it is a thing unheard of,
that anyone ever had recourse to your protection,
implored your help, or sought your intercession,
and was left forsaken.
Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness
I fly to you, O Mother, virgin of virgins.
To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner.
Despise not my poor words,
O Mother of the Word of God,
but graciously hear and grant my prayer.

MISCELLANEOUS RAFFLE WINNERS

Cake Ticket 386-390 Adrian (taken)
Decanter Bernard O'Hara (taken)
Roses Chocs Frankie (taken)
Truffles Pete Daniel

PARISH SENIORS' GROUP

IN THE PARISH HALL

THURSDAY MAY 18TH
TRIP TO EVESHAM BLOSSOM TRAIL
LUNCH AT THE MARCH HARE &
EVESHAM COUNTRY PARK
£25 PER PERSON

There are a few seats left on the coach for this trip

THURSDAY JUNE 1ST
2.30PM TALK ON REDDITCH
FRIDAY JUNE 16TH
TRIP THREE COUNTIES SHOW
£36 PER PERSON
THURSDAY JUNE 29TH
2.30PM AFTERNOON TEA
THURSDAY JULY 5TH
2.30PM SEATED EXERCISE

Please put mobile phones on Silent when at Mass thankyou

COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

Team 4 J Hardcastle, T & B Hughes