



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL, REDDITCH

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NEWSLETTER 2103 **FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER** 7TH MAY 2023

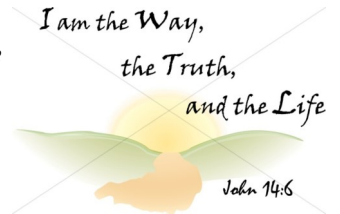
Readings : Acts 6:1-7 Psalm 32 1 Peter 2:4-9 Gospel John 14:1-12

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## Reflection for Fifth Sunday of Easter

The Gospel this Sunday, the Fifth of Easter, proposes a twofold commandment of faith: to believe in God and to believe in Jesus. In fact, the Lord said to his disciples: 'Believe in God, believe also in me' (Jn 14:1). They are not two separate acts but one single act of faith, full adherence to salvation wrought by God the Father through his Only-begotten Son. The New Testament puts an end to the Father's invisibility. God has shown his face, as Jesus' answer to the Apostle Philip confirms: 'He who has seen me has seen the Father' (Jn 14-9). With his Incarnation, death and Resurrection, the Son of God has freed us from the slavery of sin to give us the freedom of the children of God and he has shown us the face of God, which is love: God can be seen, he is visible in Christ.



Pope Benedict XVI

## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 7TH MAY 2023

|                  |        |   |
|------------------|--------|---|
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 5pm    | Mick Russell & Eileen Mundy                           |
| <b>Sunday</b>    | 8.15am | David Kelly & Lady Jeanne Hunt                        |
|                  | 9.45am | (Polish) 11.15am People of the Parish & Mary Hallahan |
|                  | 6pm    | Michael Joseph & Anna Marie O'Brien (live-streamed)   |
| <b>Monday</b>    | 6pm    | Peter McGoldrick & Monica                             |
| <b>Tuesday</b>   | 9.30am | Sr Maureen Gavin & Ned Martin                         |
|                  | 11am   | Funeral Mass Josie Mander                             |
| <b>Wednesday</b> | 9.30am | Bridie & Paddy McInerney & Al Fox                     |
| <b>Thursday</b>  | 7pm    | Charlie Gallagher                                     |
| <b>STA Sch</b>   | 10am   | Holy Souls  |
| <b>Friday</b>    | 9.30am | Anne Morrissey  |
| <b>Saturday</b>  | 9.30am | <b>NO MASS</b>  |
|                  | 10 am  | Polish First Communions                               |
|                  | 5pm    | John Morrissey & John Elliott                         |

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

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 14TH MAY 2023

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| <b>Sunday</b> | 8.15am | Stan & Stasia Duraj                                      |
|               | 9.45am | (Polish) 11.15am Norah & Eddie O'Hara                    |
|               | 6pm    | Elizabeth Loboda & Chris & John McAnenny (live-streamed) |

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

Link : [www.eventcast.uk/live](http://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 **JOSIE MANDER** Funeral Mass 11am Tuesday 9th May, **MICHAEL MUNDY** Funeral Mass Thursday 1st June at 10.30am, **JOAN REILLY** Funeral Service 10.15am Wednesday 24th May at the Abbey Chapel, **MARY MOLLOY** in Donegal, relative 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 **MARSDEN & FLYNN FAMILIES**

Next week for the **REARDON & DURR FAMILIES**

### Lamp at the Shrine of the Sacred Heart

This week for **MARK & DORAN FAMILY (A)**

Next week for the **MARSDEN & FLYNN FAMILIES**

### 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 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*

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**CORONATION CELEBRATION**  
**12 NOON THIS SUNDAY 7 MAY**  
**IN PRESBYTERY GARDEN & PARISH HALL**

Bar, BBQ, Tombola, Cake, Flower & Plant Stall  
Children's Toy & Book Stall

**COME & JOIN US**

*All proceeds towards refurbishment of the Parish Hall*

## Saints for the week ...

**Tuesday** Day of Prayer for the Survivors of Sexual Abuse

**Wednesday** **Saint John of Avila, Priest, Doctor of the Church**

John was born in Almodovar del Campo in Spain, around 1500. As a priest he travelled throughout Andalusia, drawing crowds by his preaching. His enemies, disturbed by his success and challenged by his teaching, denounced him for heresy, and he made no attempt to avoid imprisonment or trial, but preached the Catholic faith even more fervently. He played an important part in the setting up of the Council of Trent, where his voice was heard through the treatises he wrote for its guidance, even though he was not well enough to attend. He spent his last years in Montilla, and there he fell asleep in the Lord on 10 May 1569.

**Friday** **Saints Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs or of Saint Pancras, Martyr**

Ss Nereus and Achilleus were Roman soldiers during the reign of Diocletian. They embraced the true faith. As a result, they were martyred. (+304) Barely fourteen years old, St Pancras was martyred during the reign of Diocletian. According to tradition he preferred rather to die than renounce his faith in Christ. He was buried on the Via Aurelia where Pope Symmachus built a basilica over his tomb.

**Saturday** **Our Lady of Fatima**

The blessed Virgin Mary appeared to three shepherd children at Fatima (Portugal) on the thirteenth day for six consecutive months in 1917. She brought a message of peace and reparation for sin, encouraging devotion to her Immaculate Heart and the recitation of the Holy Rosary.

**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.

**Cafod/Laudato Si Group**

Food waste in UK homes equates in total to 6.6 million tonnes annually, this is 70% of the total UK food waste of 9.52 million tonnes which adds up to £284 for every person in the country. Potatoes are the most wasted food in the UK. What can we do about it? Consider planning menus before going shopping, together with growing your own fruit and vegetables if possible, freeze leftover food when appropriate. [Source : www.wrap.org.uk](http://www.wrap.org.uk)

**Redditch Food bank Stats :**

Between April 2021 and March 2022 they helped 3424 clients, 1208 of these were children. The Joseph Rowntree Foundation stats (2022) show that 1 in 5 or 14.5 million people (22% of the UK population) live below the poverty line. Your donations are a real help to our local community.

**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

**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](http://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](mailto: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

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**COUNTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND**

Team 3 P & B Holder, A Tamburro

**Please put mobile phones on  
Silent when at Mass thankyou**

## Our Lady Queen of May



*Hail Holy Queen, mother of mercy;  
Hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope!  
To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve;  
To you do we send up our sighs,  
Mourning and weeping in this vale of tears.  
Turn then, most gracious advocate,  
Your eyes of mercy towards us;  
And after this our exile,  
Show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb,  
Jesus,  
O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary*

*Pray for us, O holy Mother of God  
That we may be made worthy of the promises of  
Christ.*

### 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**

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**(the SVP Tesco phone)**  
and leave a message with your  
contact details so we can  
return your call.

