

St Mary's Catholic Church

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All visitors to St Mary's are most welcome to the church and to our parish

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Parish Newsletter for w/c Sunday 24 May, 2015 - Month of Mary

	<u>Mass proper</u>		<u>Intention</u>
Sat	23	[Vigil Mass]	7.00pm <i>Kate Walsh, R.I.P</i>
Sun	24	<u>PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)</u> Gospel: John 20:19- 23 Parish Mass Book p 290	10.00 a.m. <i>Pro Populo- for the people of the parish</i> 12 noon <i>Private Intention (Larratt Family)</i>
Mon	25		10.00 a.m. <i>In Thanksgiving (MS)</i>
Tue	26	[Mass at St Mary's House] [Wedding]	8.15 a.m. - 12 noon. <i>Moises Silva & Janet Macintosh</i>
Wed	27	<i>St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop</i> [Wedding]	10.00 a.m. <i>Holy Souls</i> 2.00 p.m. <i>Dario Cassiano & Katie Muscato</i>
Thur	28	[Traditional Mass, 1962 Missal]	10.00 a.m. <i>Private Intention (Sr. Anne's family)</i> 7.00 p.m. <i>Pat Finn, R.I.P.</i>
Fri	29		10.00 a.m. <i>Holy Souls</i>
Sat	30	<i>Saturday Morning Mass of the Bl. Virgin Mary</i> [Wedding] [Vigil Mass]	10.00 a.m. <i>For vocations to the priesthood</i> 2.00 p.m. <i>Adrian Raguos & Charlotte Davinson</i> 7.00pm. <i>Private Intention</i>
Sun	31	<u>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)</u> Gospel: Matt. 28:16-20 Parish Mass Book p 83	10.00 a.m. <i>Pro Populo</i> 12 noon <i>Holy Souls</i>

Confessions Saturday 10.30 – 11 a.m. & 6.15 – 6.45 p.m. & at call
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8.50 – 9.50 a.m. before weekday Mass
Tea & Coffee after our Sunday 10 a.m. Mass. All are welcome to join us down in the hall for this

THE GOSPEL THIS WEEK

Our Lord did not promise his followers an easy or trouble free life. St Teresa of Avila once told the Lord, 'Lord, if this is how you treat your friends, no wonder you have so few!' What he did promise them though was that they would never be left alone. A Christian is never alone. We have the temerity to call God 'Abba, Father,' we have been given Mary as our mother, we have Jesus in the holy Eucharist and today, on the feast of Pentecost we see the gift of the Holy Spirit transforming the Apostles. Today let us renew our desire not to live alone and empty but with the Holy Spirit and with that joy which accompanies his presence. God bless you this week, Fr Bruno.

PARISH CONFIRMATIONS

Congratulations and blessings to our 7 young people from the parish who were confirmed this Saturday: Lawrence Coyle, Joe Fitzpatrick, Annie-Rose Foley, Declan Foley, Liam Marsh, Ava Rowbothan & Zoe Schubert.

May is the beautiful month of Mary. Begin and end each day with a 'Hail Mary'

Last Sunday's Collection: £ 489.44

World Communications Day: £113.61

INSTALLATION OF BISHOP RICHARD MOTH

This Thursday, 28 May, will be a significant milestone in the history of our diocese: First, 50 years ago on this day the diocese was established - previously we were part of the Archdiocese of Southwark. Secondly this Thursday Bishop Richard Moth will be officially installed as our new bishop. Please keep him in your prayers as he takes up his role as the successor to the Apostles and our shepherd.

WEDDINGS THIS WEEK AT ST MARY'S

Please pray for the couples getting married in St Mary's this week including Dario Cassiano & Katie Muscato and Adrian Raguos & Charlotte Davinson. We wish them every blessing and happiness for their future life together.

Festival 50 - Coach Signup Sheet for the Amex is in the Church Porch - 57 seats available - Leaving 10.45 am on 5th July. Seats are Free.

PARISH DIARY				
Date	Time	Place	Event	Contact
Tuesdays	3-4 pm	Cassidy Centre	Bible Study & Prayer Group	Luke Fernandes, 556927
Sat 30 May	12 noon	Church	Baptism of William Andlaw	

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

Please keep in your prayers those in our parish, or family members, who need our prayers at this time: Sarah Baxter, Lorna Briggs, Anne Chandler, Mary Connett, Linda Cullen, Paul Green, Claire Hill, Tracy Larratt, Monica McLauchlan & Janine Monti.

GOING TO LOURDES THIS YEAR?

A donor has offered to help fund one pilgrim from the parish, able-bodied or sick, to go to Lourdes this year and the Parish also has funds to sponsor a young person (17-35) to go as a helper (30 July - 7 Aug). If you are interested please contact the Parish Office.

100 CLUB DRAW RESULTS – May Draw

Congratulations to the winners of our May Draw: 1st prize (£50) Fr Bruno, 2nd prize (£30) Mr B. J. Morrison, 3rd prize (£20) Fr Oliver – the priests were lucky this month!

PRESTON PARK PRESCHOOL September Spaces

Now taking applications, for September 2015 intake.

Funding from 3 and for eligible 2 year olds (Age 2.5-5) Mornings 9.15-12.15 Term Time.

Long established community preschool with qualified, caring, experienced staff.

Judged GOOD in all areas by Ofsted April 2015

Contact: **01273 557144**

Email : prestonpark5@yahoo.co.uk

Visitors Welcome OFSTED Reg. 130762

Important Date for Your Diary DIOCESAN JUBILEE CELEBRATION

AMEX STADIUM – 5th JULY 2015

Starts 10.00 am

Mass celebrated at 3pm

The Diocese will take over the whole Stadium using all the space in & around it.

There will be: Keynote speakers, School choirs, Art & Craft exhibition, Prayer spaces & activities, children's activities & liturgies, Family activities & events, Displays & exhibitions, Theatre events & Cinema screening, Bands playing, etc...

The cost of getting in is absolutely free!

All parishioners are invited by the new bishop to this event. There will be one Mass here at St Mary's that morning for those who cannot make it to the Amex. You can walk, take your bicycles or the bus there, but we have also hired a coach which will leave St Thomas More's at 9.45 am and then return to St Mary's for a 10.45 am departure. Please sign up on the form in the church porch to book your place on the coach which leaves from St Mary's.

PENTECOST PRAYER

We beseech you, O Lord, let the power of the Holy Spirit be always with us; let it mercifully purify our hearts, and safeguard us from all harm. Grant this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

“RETREAT DAY” for Grandparents

Saturday 20th June 10am to 4pm

Led by Fr Stephen Ortiger, OSB., at Worth Abbey, Paddockhurst Road, Turners Hill, West Sussex, RH10 4SB. Please bring a packed lunch. Booking & more details from Katherine Bergin on 01293 651152 or Katherine.bergin@dabnet.org

WINDSOR Coach Outing - Tuesday 13th October

Departing St Mary's at 10am & returning 6pm. **Seats available** cost £28. Contact David Alfred 01273 540038.

TAIZE PRAYER EVENING – June 12th

Cardinal Newman is hosting a Taize Evening of Prayer on Friday 12th June. The Service will involve prayer & singing Taize chants as part of a beautiful candlelit service. 6-8.30pm (11-25yrs) 7-8.30pm (25+)

SVP VISITS

The parish Saint Vincent de Paul Society are happy to visit any housebound in the parish. If you know of any please send their names & Tel no's to the Parish Office. They will be contacted before they are visited.

‘UGANDA HANDS FOR HOPE’ News

‘Since purchasing our own building last October, we have been working hard to develop & renovate it. Half of our Nursery children have already moved in and our Primary 1 & 2 will be joining them shortly.

We now support over 350 children to attend school, vocational training, our disabilities programme or the afternoon youth program. None of this would be possible without the help of our sponsors, donors & volunteers – so thank you very much.

If you'd like to get involved or just know more about us go to www.ugandahandsforhope.org

Jubilee Sponsored Walk 2015 - Lourdes Pilgrimage

– Starting 6th June 2015, a group of walkers will begin an approx.. 250 mile trek in aid of the Pilgrimage Trust around the Arundel & Brighton Diocese finishing at the Amex Stadium on 5th July to join the Jubilee celebrations. Sponsorship can be made via : www.justgiving.com/ablourdesjubileewalk/

ABOUT OUR LADY – from St John Mary Vianney

‘The most Holy Virgin places herself between her Son and us. The greater sinners we are, the more tenderness and compassion does she feel for us. The child that has cost its mother most tears is the dearest to her heart.’

‘God is not in need of anything, but all things are in need of him’ Marcianus Aristides, Athenian philosopher