



## St. Paul's Church, Cheshunt

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**1/2 MAY 2021**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-YEAR B**

**The church is open for communal worship but book before coming; email/phone call**

### **5th Sunday of Easter Year B**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>1st</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>		Shirley Cuning Liam
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>2nd</b>	<b>9.00am</b>		Opara Family
		<b>11.00am</b>		Eucharist Family
<b>Monday</b>	<b>3rd</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Philip & James, Apostles	Esmeralda Cuizon
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>4th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	The English Martyrs	Douglas Kelly
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>5th</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	Easter Feria	Holy Souls
<b>Friday</b>	<b>7th</b>	<b>9:00am</b>	Exposition and Mass	Marie & Frankie Fevrier

### **6th Sunday of Easter Year B**

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>8th</b>	<b>5.00 pm</b>
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9th</b>	<b>9.00 am</b>
		<b>11.00 am</b>

**Reconciliation – please telephone the presbytery for an appointment**

**We pray for the sick in our Parish especially Gina, Mary Bernard, Maria Keith, Alba G, Julia Abimbola, Peggy, Martin, Ramasaway and Jane Boswell. We pray for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed especially, Anesta, Annesley, Betty Addison, Eileen Morley, Sarafina Spadofara, Benedetta Catarinicchia, Tim Sullivan, Bernard Turner, Daphne Xavier, Richard Collison, Ann Neary, Mgr John Coghlan and Father John Miller. We also remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time**

### **SUNDAY READINGS**

**First Reading:** Acts 9:26-31 Barnabas introduces Paul the convert to the church in Jerusalem

**Second Reading:** 1 John 3:18-24 To live as God intends, we must above all love one another

**Gospel Reading:** John 15:1-8 The image of Vine and Branches, on Christ's closeness to his disciples

### **THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- Pastors who care for people**

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells us that He is the true vine that God intended Israel to be—the source of divine life and wisdom for the nations. In Baptism, each of us was joined to Him by the Holy Spirit. As a branch grows from a tree, our souls are to draw life from Him, nourished by His word and the Eucharist. Paul in today's First Reading seeks to be grafted onto the visible expression of Christ the true vine—His Church. Once the chief persecutor of the Church, Paul encounters initial resistance and suspicion. But he is known by his fruits, by his powerful witness to the Lord working in his life.

We too are commanded today to bear good fruits as His disciples so that our lives give glory to God. Like Paul's life, our lives must bear witness to His goodness

**Fr. Clement away. I will be away in Ghana to be with the family as we bury my late Dad's surviving brother, Anthony Oduro. Fr. Tom Ford will supply in my absence. Please do welcome and support him. Thank you all.**

### **PRIEST TRAINING FUND- Thank you**

I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Priest Training Fund collection last weekend. The response of prayer for vocations, love and concern for the clergy, and for the current seminarians, was heart-warming. If you still wish to make your donation, you will find envelopes at the back of the church or you can even donate online through the Diocese's website. The formation of priests is of top priority, it is our future. May God Bless you for your generosity.

### **VACCINE CONFIDENCE WEBINAR**

A Covid-19 vaccine confidence webinar has been organized for the of Dioceses of Brentwood, Southwark and Westminster, with the cooperation of Hertfordshire County Council and Hammersmith & Fulham Council, and other local authorities. It will take place on Saturday 15th May 2021 from 10am to 11.30am and will feature a panel of eminent medical experts led by Prof Kevin Fenton, Regional Director of Public Health London. The panel will share the latest information on COVID-19 vaccination. There will be an opportunity for participants to ask questions anonymously. To join the webinar: <https://zoom.us/j/99627319556> Passcode: 546617

### **MASS ATTENDANCE**

**Booking continues to be essential** for all the weekend Masses, please do not assume there will be space if you just turn up. To book to attend Mass please email [allensusan73@gmail.com](mailto:allensusan73@gmail.com) or [cheshunt@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:cheshunt@rcdow.org.uk) or text or ring 07939436482. If you were attending Mass regularly before Holy Week and Easter, you will have been reinstated onto the regulars' list and only need to contact us if you are unable to go to Mass. If you regularly attend a Mass and would like to help with the stewarding and cleaning please contact John McKenna on 07806478974

### **ANNUAL MASS OF THANKSGIVING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY**

The Cardinal will be celebrating a live-streamed Mass for all couples in the Diocese who are celebrating their 5th, 10th, 25th, 30th, 40th, 50th and 60th (and every year over 60) wedding anniversary of Catholic marriage in 2021 from Westminster Cathedral on Saturday May 15 at 3.00 pm. If you are celebrating an anniversary, please send in the following details: husband and wife's names, wedding date, full postal address and email (or telephone number if no email) to the presbytery.

### **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES**

The current box of envelopes ran out on April 4. The new boxes with envelopes starting on April 11 are available for collection in the church. Your number on the envelopes remains the same and the box will also have your name and postcode on. If you have problems collecting the box please let us know and we can arrange delivery. If you are unable to attend Mass you could make your Planned Giving donations online. The bank details are WRCDT CHESHUNT Sort code is 40 05 20 and Account Number is 91264419. Please put your envelope number as the reference. Thank you for your continued support in these difficult times.

### **GIFT AID**

We will soon be putting in a Gift Aid claim asking the Inland Revenue to give us the Tax that you have paid on your donations. If you are a Gift Aider but have now stopped paying tax, please would you contact the Parish Office on 01992 629878 so that we don't ask for the tax that you haven't paid.

### **TO OUR CATHOLIC UNIVERSE AND CATHOLIC TIMES READERS IN THE PARISH:**

At the moment you are unable to collect your paper at Mass, but you can get it delivered direct to your home every week, POST FREE. Please go to [www.thecatholicuniverse.com](http://www.thecatholicuniverse.com) or call them on 0161 820 5722 and they will arrange for you. SPECIAL OFFER 3 Months: £25.00 SPECIAL OFFER 12 Months: - £99.00. DIGITAL COPY: - 12 Months: £55.00

**APPRECIATION:** Thank you for your continuous support to the Parish in these challenging times especially to our stewards and all of you, for your generous giving. God bless you all for the personal cards and gifts sent to me. **Happy Easter Season.**