



St. Paul's Church, Cheshunt

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8/9 MAY 2021
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER-YEAR B

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

6th Sunday of Easter Year B

Saturday	th	5.00pm		For the Sick
Sunday	9th	9.00am		
		11.00am		For the Parishioners
Monday	10th	9.30 am	Easter Feria	Esmeralda Cuizon
Tuesday	11th	9.30 am	Easter Feria	Holy Souls
Wednesday	12th	9.30 am	Easter Feria	Elizabeth O'Callaghan
Thursday	13th	9:30am	ASCENSION OF THE LORD	Hannah Taylor BD
Friday	14th	9:00am	Exposition and Mass (St. Matthias, Apostle)	Ryan Barrett BD(RIP)

7th Sunday of Easter Year B

Saturday	15th	5.00 pm
Sunday	16th	9.00 am
		11.00 am

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 of the Apostles 10:25-26, 33-35, 44-48 Peter baptises the household of Cornelius

Second Reading: 1 John 4:7-10 Not that we first loved God but that he loved us

Gospel Reading: John 15:9-17 Chosen by Jesus, abiding in love

THOUGHT OF THE WEEK- Commanded to love!

How can you be commanded to love? Surely love has to be a free response, not an obligation. You can be commanded to obey, but how can you be commanded to love? How could Jesus say, "This is my commandment, that you love one another?" Meister Eckhart threw a clear light on this conundrum. He said, "When I am thirsty, the drink commands me; when I am hungry, the food commands me. And God does the same [when he commands me to love]." In other words, the command to love is not a command that is laid on us from the outside; it is an inner command, an inner urgency placed in our very being by God – like hunger and thirst; or, you might say, like the urgency that an oak tree has to develop as an oak tree. It is not something alien, it is totally our own, and yet it is totally from God – Meister Eckhart again: "If anyone commands me to do that which is pleasant, which avails me or on which my bliss depends, that is exceedingly sweet to me."

Whilst Father Clement is away, Father Tom Ford will be staying in the Parish and celebrating all the Masses, for which we are very grateful.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND- appreciation

Our second collection for PTF amount to £217.08 cash and £10 cheque. Thank you for your kind donations. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.

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 or 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 which started 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 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.**