

CHRIST THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST CATHOLIC CHURCH

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5TH May 2024

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Sunday 5 th May	9 am	Donna Marie Briggs RIP	<i>Sixth Sunday of Easter</i>
	11am	Eleanor Tierney RIP	
	5pm	People of the Parish	
Monday 6 th May			
Tuesday 7 th May			
Wednesday 8 th May	9.30 am	Faith Useh	
Thursday 9 th May	9.30 am	People of the Parish	<i>Ascension of the Lord</i>
	6pm	Simon Gostino RIP	
Friday 10 th May	9.30 am	Connie & Terry Halligan	<i>St John of Avila</i>
Saturday 11 th May	9.30 am	Martin Cooper	
	11-11.30 am	Sacrament of Reconciliation	
Sunday 12 th May	9 am	People of the Parish	<i>Seventh Sunday of Easter</i>
	11 am	Felix Omoruyi Odigie RIP	
	5pm	Teresa Madden RIP	

Sixth Sunday of Easter	Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48	1 John 4: 7-10	John 15:9-17
Seventh Sunday of Easter	Acts 1:15-17, 20-26	1 John 4:11-16	John 17: 11-19

ASCENSION OF THE LORD: Thursday the 9th May is the solemnity of the Ascension. We remember Christ's return to the Father. Masses will be at the usual Holy Day times: 9.30am and 6pm.

CAFOD SUDAN: The contributions to CAFOD (the Catholic Agency for Overseas Development) raised £934.80 for the crisis in Sudan.

ARTHUR DEWEY RIP: On Monday 15th April Arthur died peacefully after a long illness. We offer our condolences and prayers to Carmen and her family. The funeral will take place on Wednesday 22nd May 2024 at 10.30 am here in Gidea Park.

BISHOP'S VISITATION AND CONFIRMATIONS: Bishop Alan will visit our parish on Wednesday 29th May. He will celebrate Mass at 7 pm, during which 20 of our young people will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation. All parishioners are invited to this special Mass.

CWL: Catholic Women's League present their second Afternoon Tea on Saturday 18th May at 3.00pm. Tickets are now available from members of CWL or Hilary Wraight on hilarywraight@hotmail.com. £15 each and £5 for children. Next meeting is the 15th May at 7.30 pm in the church hall.

MISSIO: Will any red box holders without a collector please bring your red boxes to church in the next 3 weeks. Please take a mission magazine from the church porch.

THY KINGDOM COME – PENTECOST PRAYER NOVENA 2024: There will be 24/7 prayer running from 2pm on Sunday 12th May to 10pm on Saturday 18th May at the Sion Community Chapel. You are welcome to join us any time from 6am to 12 midnight. It would be very helpful if you could book an hour slot in the prayer room by visiting this link: <https://signup.24-7prayer.com/signup/75e411> or you can join us for Praise & Worship at 8pm which is taking place each evening. We look forward to welcoming you for this special prayer time. For more information, please contact admin@sioncommunity.org.uk Sion Community, SENT, Sawyers Hall Lane, Brentwood, Essex, CM15 9BX

GIFT AID BOXES 2024/2025: The Gift Aid boxes are available for collection after all Masses this weekend. Last Tax Year, we were able to claim back £9400 from the Inland Revenue. This is thanks to all those parishioners who are signed up to the Gift Aid Scheme. If you are a tax payer and regularly contribute to the Parish either by Standing Order or Loose Collection Plate, please consider signing up to this scheme. The Parish can claim back 25% of all that you contribute. This provides the Parish with valuable funds. Any queries please contact: Gwen Button – 01708452400.

PARISH BEREAVEMENT GROUP: Come along to find comfort, support and understanding at our welcoming and informal bereavement support group. Sheila Delander and Liz Hill will lead the group. We invite you to join us as we navigate through grief together. Our next meeting will be held Wednesday 1st May, at 2pm in St. Anthony's Hall at the Most Holy Redeemer Church, Harold Hill. There will be subsequent meetings scheduled for the 1st Wednesday of every month. All are welcome. Tea/Coffee and Cake will be provided.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF THE PARISH: Derek Barton, Marc Bernard, Marie-Thérèse & Serge Bosson, Margaret Corry, Marc & Margaret Dalton, Kath Davis, Daniella & Lucia di Lisio, Selina Etherton, Paul Gilligan, Gregory Hart, Kevin Hartie, Doreen Hughes, Theresa Lawlor, Peter Madden, Emily Mears, Doreen Moran, Maureen Morris, Maureen O'Mahoney, Teresa Pycroft, Angela Radley, Edward Rajadurai, Callan Rogers, Teresa Search, Kath Sims, Greta Street, Anne Sullivan, Alex Tecza, Mena Townsend, Marie Turner, Steven Wagstaff, Emily Pougnet, Bruce May, Ricky Madge, Cristina Corsoni, Michael Lowry, Michael Ryan, Bertha Musiwa, Sophie Hutton, Niall Kennelly, Barbara Sillett, Patricka Amos, Magali Cattell, Rosie O'Hagan, Cecilia Fauch and all who are sick in hospital or housebound.

ANNIVERSARIES: Joan Lynch (2022), Patrick McCarthy (2007), Ruth Findlay (2013)

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: (Readings available on www.universalis.com)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (15: 9-17)

Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants anymore, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'