



Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year C

21st May/ 22nd May 2022



## SUMMER FAYRE NEWS!

### Sunday 12th June at St. Gregory's Thorpe Bay

- a) **We will be offering a breakfast of Bacon Butties and Coffee** for any helpers on-site and working by 8 am on the 12th. (We reckon that even if you're going to the 8:45 you could do 25 mins work, have our brekkers, and still go to H. Communion!! Please let Sharon know if you think you can help.
- b) **We are looking for donations of bottles for the Bottle stall.** If you can run to a bottle of Wine or small Spirits that would be wonderful.
- c) **We are also looking for Hamper items** - Jams - Coffee - Tea - "Posh" Crisps (the MC is rather partial to Tyrrells Mature Cheddar and Chives but that's just by the by!)
- d) **Our Grand Summer Draw.** Please get some tickets if you haven't already! If you have, then please return the counterfoils and cash as soon as possible.
- e) **Change.** Remember a few months ago we asked you to not put too much change in the Offertory? Well, guess what, we are struggling to get a float together for the Fayre!!

For the next couple of weekends **ONLY**, can you endeavour to bring coinage for the Offertory, even if it is replacing a £5 note with 5 x £1 coins; or a selection of silver coins (no smaller than 10p please).

**Huge thanks to everyone for all that that they have done so far!**



## 21st MAY - 29th MAY 2022

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### Saturday 21st

6pm **For All Parishioners**

### Sunday 22nd

*St. Gregory's, Thorpe Bay*

8.45am **Remembering Michael Jackson RIP on his Birthday**  
(Filmer and Jackson Family)

10.45am **Dorothy Locker RIP - Anniv. and Thanks to the Ushers and Cleaners of St. George's for Keeping Us Safe** (Sylvia)

### Monday 23rd

Feria  
**No Mass here today**

### Tuesday 24th

*St. Gregory's, Thorpe Bay*

9.15am Feria  
**Eucharistic Service**

### Wednesday 25th

11.30am St. Bede the Venerable  
**Eucharistic Service**

### Thursday 26th

9.30am The Ascension of the Lord (**Holyday of Obligation**)  
**Teresa Malone RIP** (Sylvia)

### Friday 27th

7.30pm **Fr. Anthony Brunning (Westminster) RIP**  
St. Augustine of Canterbury  
9.15am **Special Intentions of Vista Ikpoku** (Sylvia) - *(followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 12noon)*

### Saturday 28th

6pm **For All Parishioners**

### Sunday 29th

*St. Gregory's, Thorpe Bay*

Seventh Sunday of Easter (World Communications Day)  
8.45am **Eileen and Frank Glyde RIP** (Glyde Family)  
10.45am **Remembering Hilary Bliss RIP on her Birthday**  
(Trevor, Sharon, Denise, Suzanne and Families)

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## COFFEE MORNING

Come and join us after the 10.45am Mass this weekend.

669, our Fayre Fundraising Team, are looking forward to seeing you there.



If anyone wants to host one for their charity please contact the Parish Office.

## THIS WEEK...

You will notice from the Mass times that on Thursday we celebrate The Ascension of the Lord, which is a Holyday of Obligation.

Fr. Gerald has very kindly agreed to say Mass for us at both 9.30am and 7.30pm.

It was decided that after a 24 hour journey home, Wednesday into Thursday, Fr. Brett would not be up to the job. In his own words, he said 'I will be a zombie on Thursday evening.' My response went along the lines of 'would anyone notice the difference'

Provided that Fr. Brett shakes off his zombie-ness (!) he will be back in action on Friday morning, and fit and healthy by Christmas...

## IF YOU USE FACEBOOK...

...then please 'like' us -

[@stgeorgeandtheenglishmartyrs](https://www.facebook.com/stgeorgeandtheenglishmartyrs)

## WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

Next weekend there will be a retiring collection for World Communications Day.

The theme for the 2022 World Day of Social Communications, chosen by Pope Francis, invites us to reflect that listening involves more than simply the sense of hearing.

If you Gift Aid, please remember to bring along your special envelope.

## BAPTISM NEWS

We welcome Dexter Philip Gary Stubbs into our faith community as his family celebrate his Baptism this weekend.



Congratulations to you all!

***One Lord, one faith, one Baptism.'***

Ephesians 4:5

## BAPTISM COURSE

The next Baptism Course takes place on Wednesday 6th July in St. George's Church. Please book your places with the office.

## MOBILE PHONES

It is possible that on entering this church you will hear the call of God. It is, however, unlikely that he will contact you by telephone or text message. Please turn off your mobile device when arriving in Church.

## Migration issues in the UK

### *A Statement by the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales*

In his 2014 message for the World Day for Migrants and Refugees Pope Francis wrote, 'We ourselves need to see, and then to enable others to see, that migrants and refugees... are brothers and sisters to be welcomed, respected and loved'.

1. This plea of Pope Francis is as urgent as ever. Given the events of recent weeks it is of particular relevance for the Catholic Church in England and Wales. Our appeal for refugees and asylum seekers to be welcomed and respected is based on the fundamental principle of the dignity of every person, created in the image and likeness of God. Every nation should recognise this dignity and the rights which flow from it.

2. We appreciate the complexity and magnitude of the challenges being faced in the ongoing migration crisis. With over 80 million people across the world displaced by war, poverty, persecution and the effects of global warming, this challenge requires collaborative international action. Although resources are limited and there are many competing demands, wealthy countries, including the UK should give leadership in this endeavour.

3. The value we attach to each person and the compassion which the afflicted deserve demands that we welcome asylum seekers, treating them justly and honouring their dignity as human persons.

4. The Nationality and Borders Act fails to do this. Those seeking refuge in the UK should be provided with safe routes for travelling, have the opportunity to tell their story, be listened to and have their cases assessed justly. We keep in mind that there is no illegal asylum seeker; to claim asylum is a human right.

5. People smugglers and modern-day human traffickers profit from the desperation and misery of refugees. We fully support their prosecution. It is imperative however to make a clear distinction between victims and those who exploit them. Crime is defeated by confronting the perpetrators not by punishing the victims.

6. Many British people have given witness to justice through hospitality, providing a compassionate welcome and campaigning on behalf of refugees. We applaud their efforts and kindness. Our Christian faith demands that we respond generously to asylum seekers whose dignity must be protected and upheld. Jesus taught us, "I was a stranger and you made me welcome." (Matt 25:35) so we will continue to advocate their cause.

Approved by the Plenary Assembly of the Bishops' Conference (Friday 6th May 2022)

## 669 PARISH FUNDRAISING EVENING

669 are organising a Parish Fundraising evening at The Polash Indian Restaurant, West Road, Shoeburyness.

**Date - Tuesday 31st May**

**Time - 7.00pm**

**Cost - £25 per person**

During the evening, there will be good food, great company and the obligatory Raffle.

If you would like to join us please contact - Suzanne Halvey or Brian Lish, suzehalvey@hotmail.com or Sharon in the office .

Please let us know ASAP as we need to confirm numbers by Friday 27th May . We thank you all for your support and look forward to seeing you.

### ECO-THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

A lot of trees are cut down in order to make toilet rolls. It requires at least 17 trees and 90,921 litres of water for a tonne of paper rolls. As the average person uses 100 rolls in a year, using regular toilet paper is not a sustainable habit.



Try eco-friendly toilet paper made out of bamboo. As bamboo grows 39 inches within a 24 hour period, it is a more sustainable option.

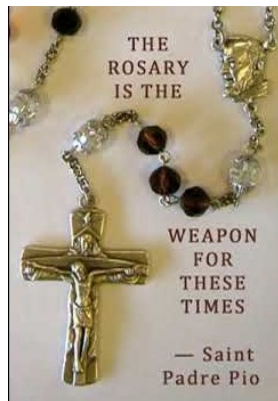
***Think Planet!***

## IMPORTANT NOTICE FOR MASS ON 5TH JUNE

If you normally attend the 10.45am Mass, please note that on Sunday 5th June the Confirmation of our young people will take place. This year there are **21** of them being confirmed. Please note that the church will be extremely full that day as their friends and family will also be in attendance. As you know, each young person will be allocated a pew, so at least 21 pews will be reserved at the front of the church. If you possibly can, please try and attend another Mass that weekend to help ease the over-crowding. Thanks very much for your help in this matter.

### ROSARY GROUP

Tuesdays at 7pm in St. George's Church. Come through the front door and receive a warm welcome!  
Contact Kaz for more information on 07786000391.





ST VINCENTS CENTRE



# ***Donations Needed***

## **Most needed items**

- Instant coffee - Vegetarian Meals
- Tinned Fish - Pot Noodles -Biscuits -
- Cereals- Sugar - Cooking/ Pasta Sauces -
- Condiments/Herbs -Hot Chocolate -
- Squash - UHT Milk- Jams/Spreads
- Men and Womens Shorts - Suncream
- Sun Hats -Deodorant

**PS - Also needed are Water Bottles. Everything can be dropped off at the Church and we will get it to Short Street on a weekly basis. Thanks to you all for your help!**

Make a difference to your local people in crisis today and make a donation to St Vincent's Centre. Unit 9, Victoria Business Park, Short Street, Southend SS2 5BY

## VACANCIES

**St. Bernard's High School** have the following vacancies: - Office Manager; Data Manager; Second in Mathematics. Please check out their [web-site](#) for more information.

**St. Peter's Primary School, Billericay**, are looking to engage with teachers looking for a career move. For an informal chat email:- [finance@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk](mailto:finance@st-peters-pri.essex.sch.uk)

## ST BON'S ALUMNI EVENT

**- 17th June 2022, 4pm-6:30pm**

All former students and staff are welcome to attend - please help spread the word! Order a ticket at: [www.stbons.org/alumni](http://www.stbons.org/alumni) - Email any questions to:- [alumni@stbons.org](mailto:alumni@stbons.org)

## BRENTWOOD CATHEDRAL MUSIC

We are delighted to inform you that next Wednesday 25 May at the usual time of 1pm – 1.45pm David Silkoff will be giving a Lunchtime Piano Recital at the Cathedral, which will consist of music by Bach, Beethoven, Chopin and Debussy. Please note that this Recital will be free but there will be a retiring collection. Refreshments will be served in the Song School afterwards.

## YOUR SINS ARE FORGIVEN –

### A STUDY DAY FROM GIDEA PARK

On Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> June from 11am Fr Gerard Bradley will lead a study day entitled 'Your sins are forgiven: exploring the sacrament of pardon and peace'. To follow this free live streamed event please go to [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org). Fr Gerard is a parish priest in the Archdiocese of Southwark and taught Liturgy and Spirituality at St John's Seminary, Wonersh. Two sessions will be followed by the opportunity for questions. The event will end by 1 pm. Recording will be available after on [www.whatgoodnews.org](http://www.whatgoodnews.org)

## MARRIAGE MATTERS

([www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk](http://www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk))

**Sixth Sunday of Easter (Acts 15:1-2, 22-29; Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23; John 14:23-29)**

**Love is the fundamental requirement**

Easter tide is a time for us as couples to celebrate the reality of our love as being a reflection of the presence of God, who is Love. It is a time for us to recognise more readily the risen Lord is alive in us, with us, and present in the many and various ways we try to share our love.

## ANNIVERSARIES IN MAY

Please remember the following :

† Len Saad, James Rant, Madeleine Myall, Ellen Wicker, Charlotte Rooney, Joseph Gibbons, Albert Perkins, James Studdert, Anthony O'Hara, Joseph and Simon MacKereth, Keith Fletcher, Patrick O'Hara, Andrew Sharman, Reginald Hutchinson, Alfie Cantor, Sheila Baker, Dolly Bright, Marcus Redding, Millie Medcalf, Maurus and Mona Lawton, Gwen Schneiderhan, Sean Corr, Stephen West, Brian Blyth-Cook, James Devereux, Helen Carmichael, Nora Carey, Frances O'Sullivan, George Collis, Alfred Marshall, Peggy Gillies, Malcolm Andrews, Dorothy and Jim Eost, Richard Copley, Roger Grain, Treasa Parker, Paul O'Sullivan, Joanne Wicker, Kathleen Fallon, Audrey McAuliffe, Dorothy Locker, Anna Cohen, Ronald Silk, Barbara Porter, Eileen Glyde, Ernest Quinn, Marion Hayden. †

## 300 CLUB NEWS

Congratulations to our lucky winners for May: - £50 Mrs A. Pither; £20 Mr D. Tullio; £15 Mrs S. Bignell

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## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK

**Please pray for all those who are sick or housebound in our parish, as well as our friends and family.**

Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need.

Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence.

Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits.

May these special people find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts.

We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed.

Amen.

**New to the Parish? Please go to our website and fill in your details and Fr. Brett will contact you in due course.**

**Parish Administrator: Sharon Chambers**  
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