

ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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Registered Charity No: 234216 The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham

As spaces are limited inside the church, attendance at the **8.30am indoor Mass on Sundays must be booked in advance** either by email at any time or by phone, on Friday morning 10.00am - 12.00 noon. To attend Mass in the garden on Sundays or indoors on Thursdays, advance booking is not required. For Mass in the garden please bring your own chair as seating is not provided.

MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR B Readings)

Sunday 16th May

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Second collection for: World Communications Day

8.30am (booking essential)

Mass intention for: Stan Robson R.I.P.

10.30am

Mass intention for: People of the Parish

(in the garden, no need to book)

Monday 17th May

Easter Feria

Mass intention for: Ethel Gammon R.I.P.

Tuesday 18th May

Memorial of St John I, Pope, Martyr

Mass intention for: Jean & Tom Wilcox R.I.P.

Wednesday 19th May

Memorial of St Dunstan, Bishop

Mass intention for: The intentions of the Kelly family

Thursday 20th May

Memorial of St Bernadine of Sienna,

Priest, Religious, Missionary

11.00am (no need to book)

Mass intention for: Margaret Pakes R.I.P.

Friday 21st May

**Memorial of Ss Christopher Magallanes Priest
and companions, Martyrs**

Mass intention for: Private intention

Saturday 22nd May

Memorial of St Rita of Cascia, Religious

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Sunday 23rd May

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

8.30am (booking essential)

Mass intention for: Private intention

10.30am

Mass intention for: People of the Parish

(in the garden, no need to book)

Anniversaries in May: Rev Samuel Smallman (1613), George Griffin (1919), Anne Mary Hailes (1924), Rev Thomas Bagnall (1973), Rev Joseph Lacy (1978), Harold Sanders (1981), Teresa Fry (1985), Yvonne Beesley (1994), Raymond Doherty (2001), Jennifer Thompson (2002), Robert Hildebrandt (2002), Lynda Frith (2003), Joyce Jordan (2007), Edward Anthony (2007), Alicia Cox (2010), Patricia Godwin (2011), Marjorie Purcell (2014), Caroline Clist (2017),

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In your prayers please remember parishioners and friends who are sick:
Kathleen Clark, Jane and Peter Handley, Lucinda Robinson,
Liz and Lionel Cornish, Bob Grant, Jenny Lockyer

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THANK YOU!



... for all your offerings and donations. They are always gratefully received and enable Fr John to maintain our parish and to minister to our community.

Contributions to the Parish: 3rd –9th May

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£171.50
Loose cash:	£109.19

To set up a planned giving arrangement to St Mary's by standing order please use the form on the Diocesan website:

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx?IDMF=90f11d7d-ebb4-4d07-b64e-9f38e324225b>

Once the form is downloaded please print, complete and sign it then send it for the attention of:

**Amalia Costanzo, Parish Secretary (Finance), St Mary's RC Church,
Harvington Hall Lane, Harvington Worcs. DY10 4LR**

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FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND PENTECOST APPEAL

Thank you to all those who continue to support our friends in the Holy Land. The Pentecost Challenge is to raise funds for Children's Education. Using your daily exercise regime will you seek sponsorship to cover the equivalent distance from Bethlehem to Nazareth (84 miles)? Go to: www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost for information or send donations to:

**Gail Brown, Treasurer, FHL Wyre Forest Group, 550 Chester Rd South,
Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 1XH**

Please make cheques out to FHL Wyre Forest Group.

ST AMBROSE CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL, KIDDERMINSTER



Calling families, friends and neighbours of pre-school and primary school aged children.

St Ambrose School is currently able to offer places to children of all faiths and warmly welcome you to get in touch.

For further information, in the first instance please contact the school office on: [01562 823568](tel:01562823568) and please also take a look at their website for a flavour of what the school has to offer.



The ASSOCIATION for the PROPGATION of the FAITH.

If you have a RED BOX at home please bring it to church to be opened by our parish APF representative, Moira, who would send your donation to the APF on your behalf.

If you need some assistance, Moira will be happy to help.

Her number is: 07527823869



A vacancy has arisen at one of the bungalow residences in the **DAME MARY YATE ALMSHOUSES IN HARVINGTON** suitable for a single or widowed woman of hardship and limited means and would be occupied under licence. Closing date for applications is **7th June**. For further information, please call Marian Trafford (Clerk to the Trustees) on: 01562 885616



To receive regular copies of the '**MY DAY BY DAY**' booklets for collection from church each month you may place an order through the Parish Office and we will subscribe on your behalf (£1 per book). Please email at any time

(stmarysrc.harvington@gmail.com) or phone the Parish Office on Monday morning (01562 777316).

Alternatively the booklets can be delivered by post to your home directly from the publishers through their website for £19.50 per year :

www.archpublishing.co.uk/subscriptions or by phone: **01782 213000**



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION and CONFIRMATION

Children who will be 8 years old by June of this year are eligible to be prepared to take the sacraments of **Reconciliation and First Holy Communion** from now onwards.

Children who will be 11 years old by September of this year are eligible to be prepared to receive the sacrament of **Confirmation**.

Parents or guardians of these children are invited to contact the Parish Office by email or telephone registering interest. Under the current restrictions we cannot be sure of how this preparation will take place nor the dates when the sacraments may be taken but we would appreciate knowing how many potential candidates there may be this year.

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY - 16 MAY 2021



Please pray for all communicators on World Communications Day and please give generously to the **second collection**.

The Communications Office of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales supports the mission of the bishops to proclaim the love of Jesus Christ. How you can find out more: www.cbcew.org.uk

You can also sign up for all the latest news, events, resources and spiritual content from the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales:

<https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/news-and-media/catholic-news-newsletter-signup/>

PRAYER FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS SUNDAY

Lord, teach us to move beyond ourselves,
and to set out in search of truth.

Teach us to go out and see,
teach us to listen,

not to entertain prejudices
or draw hasty conclusions.

Teach us to go where no one else will go,

to take the time needed to understand,

to pay attention to the essentials,

not to be distracted by the superfluous,

to distinguish deceptive appearances from the truth.

Grant us the grace to recognize your dwelling places in our world

and the honesty needed to tell others what we have seen.

Amen

Rome, Saint John Lateran, 23 January 2021, Vigil of the Memorial of Saint Francis de Sales

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THE RIVER DOES NOT DIVIDE US



The **Catholic Bishops Conference of Catholics in England and Wales** invite us to respond in prayer and action to the urgent climate change issues that we all face. **The God Who Speaks** team offers a novena of readings and prayers drawn from the Bible and recent Papal teaching.

We are invited to **pray a novena between Ascension Day and Pentecost Sunday** reflecting on the account of creation in the book of Genesis.

This novena can be used on its own or to complement the prayers and reflections of the global prayer movement 'Thy Kingdom Come' with the Care of Creation theme.

A PDF document outlining all nine days of reflection and prayer can be downloaded from the CBEW website: www.cbcew.org.uk/environment-novena



COMMEMORATED THIS WEEK

18 May

Saint John I, Pope: John comes from a strange and dark period of history at the beginning of the sixth century: the Roman Empire in the West was in ruins, and was ruled by Theodoric the Goth; meanwhile the glory of Rome lived on in Constantinople. There, the Emperor (Justin) began a ruthless persecution of the Arians: Theodoric, who was himself an Arian, sent the Pope to restrain the Emperor, but was furious when John returned - accusing him of plotting. He had him imprisoned at Ravenna for the rest of his life. John is therefore honoured as a martyr.

19 May

Saint Dunstan: Dunstan was born near Glastonbury in 909, and died in Canterbury on this day in 988. He studied secular arts and literature before becoming a monk, then abbot, at Glastonbury. He was the principal agent in the restoration of English monasticism after the Viking devastations. In rapid succession, he became bishop of Worcester, bishop of London, and Archbishop of Canterbury. A man of many talents, he was renowned as a painter, musician, and worker in metals, besides being a counsellor of kings and a zealous reforming bishop.

20 May



Saint Bernardine of Siena: born near Siena (Italy) in 1380, Bernardine became a Franciscan and was ordained priest in 1404; he gained a reputation as a great preacher, and propagated devotion to the holy name of Jesus., Bernardine devised a symbol, IHS, the first three letters of the name of Jesus in Greek, in Gothic letters on a blazing sun. This was to displace the superstitious symbols of the day. He died in 1444.

21 May

Saint Christopher Magallanes: Born to a farm family and worked as a shepherd in his youth. He was ordained priest, and helped to found schools, a newspaper, catechism centres for children and adults, carpentry shops, and an electric plant. Arrested and shot without trial on 21 May 1927 while en route to celebrate Mass, his final words were I forgive with all my heart those responsible for my death, and I ask God that the shedding of my blood serves toward the peace of our divided Mexico.

22 May

Saint Rita of Cascia: Despite an early desire to enter religious life, Rita was married at the age of 18; after the violent death of her abusive husband, and the death of her children, she joined the Augustinian monastery in Cascia (Italy) at the age of 36. Rita lived as a wife, mother, widow, and nun, buried her family, helped bring peace to her city - and never lost her faith in God, or her desire to be with Him.