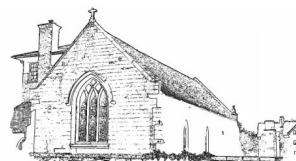


ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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As spaces are limited inside the church, attendance at the **8.30am indoor Mass on Sundays** and the **11.00am indoor Mass on ASCENSION THURSDAY** must **be booked in advance** either by email at any time or by phone on Monday or Friday morning 10.00am –12.00 noon.

To attend Mass in the garden on Sundays 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 9th May

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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)

Monday 10th May

Easter Feria

Mass intention for: Members of the Kelly family

Tuesday 11th May

Easter Feria

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Wednesday 12th May

**Memorials of Ss Nerus and Achilleus, Martyrs
and of St Pancras, Martyr**

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

Thursday 13th May

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

11.00am **BOOKING ESSENTIAL** for this week only

Mass intention for: Doreen Millard R.I.P.

Friday 14th May

Feast of St Matthais, Apostle

Mass intention for: Patrick Kirk R.I.P.

Saturday 15th May

Easter Feria

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Sunday 16th May

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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)

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),

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, Deirdre Brookes,
Trudy Woodhall



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: 26th April - 2nd May

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£130.00
Loose cash:	£216.90

Parishioners who donate using **Gift Aid Envelopes** are asked to collect their next boxful from one of the Stewards when leaving the church or garden during the coming week.

- If you were in Gift Aid scheme in the year 2019-2020, the Archdiocese advise us they are unable to produce confirmation certificates this year. If you are unsure of the amount you have donated to St Mary's in the year 2019-2020 please contact the Parish Office.
- If you wish to set up a planned giving arrangement to St Mary's would you consider doing so now by setting up a standing order using the form on the Diocesan website: [https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/Handlers/Download.ashx? IDMF=90f11d7d-ebb4-4d07-b64e-9f38e324225b](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**



The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation remains suspended. All the faithful are asked to make an Act of Spiritual Communion:

**My Jesus,
I believe that you are present in the most Blessed Sacrament.
I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there,
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.**

Saint Alphonsus Liguori

The Sacrament of Penance by appointment with Fr John: 01562 77319.



Our local **FOOD BANK** www.kidderminster.foodbank.org.uk appreciate all donations. Please make cheques payable to 'The Kidderminster Foodbank' and post to: Mrs Denise Carson, Kidderminster Foodbank Treasurer , 20 Whitehill Road, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY11 6JJ



FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND PENTECOST APPEAL

Thank you to all those who continue to support our friends in the Holy Land.

The situation, particularly in the West Bank is dire; no tourists means no income. So we are concentrating on helping Families to keep their children in the Christian Schools. We regularly support 200 Families with School Fees and now have an extra 70 who need our help. The Special Needs "School of Joy" in Bethlehem has lost much of its International Funding and we are now their only funder. It costs between £25 - £50 per month to keep a child in School so any donations would help. Our 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 Road South, Kidderminster, Worcs. DY10 1XH**
Please make cheques out to FHL Wyre Forest Group.



A vacancy has arisen at one of the bungalow residences in the **DAME MARY YATE ALMSHOUSES IN HARVINGTON**. It is 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

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD



The Feast of the Ascension is the fortieth day after Easter Sunday, which commemorates the Ascension of Christ into heaven, according to Mark 16:19, Luke 24:51, and Acts 1:2. In the Eastern Church this feast was known as analepsis, "the taking up", and also as the episozomene, the salvation, denoting that by ascending into His glory, Christ completed the work of our redemption. The terms used in the West, ascensio and, occasionally, ascensa, signify that Christ was raised up by His own powers. Tradition designates Mount Olivet near Bethany as the place where Christ left the earth. The feast falls on Thursday. It is one of the Ecumenical feasts ranking with the feasts of the Passion, of Easter and of Pentecost among the most solemn in the calendar. The feast has a vigil and, since the fifteenth century, an octave which is set apart for a novena of preparation for Pentecost, in accordance with the directions of Leo XIII.