

# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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## MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

### Sunday 1 May

8.30am

10.30am

*SECOND COLLECTION today, 1st May, for THE HOLY PLACES*

### Third Sunday of Easter

*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

*Mass intention for: Nanto Reynolds R.I.P.*

### Monday 2 May

*No public Mass today*

### Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

### Tuesday 3 May

10.00am

### Feast of Ss Philip and James, Apostles

*All are welcome at Mass today. We will be joined by 40 visitors who will later be attending a 'History Day' event at Harvington Hall.*

### Wednesday 4 May

10.00am

### Feast of the English Martyrs

*Mass Intention for: Patricia Godwin R.I.P.*

### Thursday 5 May

11.00am

### Easter Feria

*Mass intention for: Private Intention*

### Friday 6 May

11.00am

### Easter Feria

*Mass Intention for: Gerard O'Shea R.I.P.*

### Saturday 7 May

10.00am

### Easter Feria

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

\* In the Georgian Chapel in the grounds of Harvington Hall

### Sunday 8 May

8.30am

\* 10.30am

\* *In the garden of the Priest's House*

### Fourth Sunday of Easter

*Mass intention for: Colin Litchfield*

*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

*SECOND COLLECTION on 8th May for the CLERGY TRAINING FUND*

**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:**

Deirdre Brookes, Kathleen Clark, Liz & Lionel Cornish, Bob & Shirley Grant, Jane & Peter Handley, Siward James-Moore, Bernard Millard, John & Ellen Mottram, John & Patricia Newton, Ann Parrish, Clare Saich, Karen Wright.

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... for all your offerings and donations. They are always gratefully received.



**Contributions to the Parish: 18-25 April**

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: .....	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes: .....	£60.05
Loose cash: .....	£137.52

If you would prefer to make regular donations via Direct Debit, forms are available from the table in the porch. Please complete and either hand to Fr John or post through his house letterbox.



**OFFERTORY DONATIONS** are no longer collected in the pews. If you wish to make a donation on **SUNDAYS** please place your offering in the 'bin' on the porch table. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar.**

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**WELCOME TO ST MARY'S!**

- Whilst there is no legal requirement to wear a face covering the government suggests: '... that you continue to wear a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces where you may come into contact with other people you do not normally meet. Social distancing in a place of worship is now a personal choice. People are encouraged to respect other attendees and those working who may wish to adopt a more cautious approach.' [www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-places-of-worship](http://www.gov.uk/guidance/covid-19-guidance-for-the-safe-use-of-places-of-worship)
- If members of the congregation would like to ensure social distancing they may use a 'Please Leave Space' sign (available in the porch) and place it on the seat beside them in their pew.



**VOLUNTEERS** are needed to join one of our Church Cleaning Teams. We are indebted to the generous men and women who clean our church once a week. Their work would be made easier, and less frequent, if more parishioners joined

them. Please consider offering your time and energy to this cause. 'In house training' will be given! Please email the parish office: [stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk) or leave your contact details with Maggie, Amalia or Audrey after Mass on Sunday.



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At long last we are able to make plans for the return of our ever popular Summer Fete to be held in the garden of the Priest's House here at St Mary's during the afternoon of

**Saturday 25th June.** After a gap of two years since such an event was possible, we need parishioners to volunteer their services once more. Those who have run stalls, organised games, baked, made, collected, served or contributed in any way in the past are asked to step up again please. We warmly encourage anyone who has not been involved before to please join in this year. We would be glad to have new ideas for stalls and attractions as well as keeping some of the tried and tested elements going too. Please email the parish office ([stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk)) to volunteer!

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The Parish owe a debt of gratitude to two members of our community who have served in official roles for a number of years. **Jean Lloyd** as Safeguarding Officer and **Martin Dawson** as Health and Safety Officer. We thank them most sincerely for undertaking these important roles and in so doing keeping us safe in various ways. Fr Richard has appointed two parishioners to take on these responsibilities from now onward:

**Valerie Nolan as Parish Safeguarding Officer :**  
[sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk)

**Peter Boszko as Health and Safety Officer:**  
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In both cases, emails sent to those addresses will be private and not seen by anyone other than the addressees.



# MEMORIALS and FEASTS THIS WEEK

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## MONDAY 2ND MAY



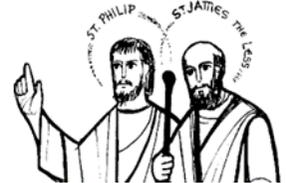
### Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop, Doctor of the Church

St Athanasius (295—373) was Bishop of Alexandria, Egypt and became the champion of the faith against Arianism at the Council of Nicea. He suffered persecution and was exiled for seventeen years for resisting compromise in essentials of faith. He wrote many works on apologetics.

## TUESDAY 3RD MAY

### Feast of Ss Philip and James, Apostles

Like St Peter and St Andrew, **St Philip** was from Bethsaida. He was crucified at Hierpolis in Phrygia, where he had preached the Gospel. He introduced St Bartholomew to Christ. Christ declared to St Philip, 'He that hath seen me, hath seen the Father ... I am in the Father and the Father in me' (John 14:8-9)



**St James** was a cousin of Our Lord. He is called James the Less, to distinguish him from the other James. As bishop of Jerusalem, he wrote one of the epistles of the New Testament. St James was thrown down the terrace of the Temple and then stoned to death. The names of Philip and James are mentioned in the Roman Canon.

## WEDNESDAY 4TH MAY

### Feast of the English Martyrs



This feast celebrated the many men and women who suffered for the Faith in England between 1535 and 1680 and have subsequently been recognised by the Church. These included priests, both secular and religious, as well as laity who were

prepared to shelter them, to arrange secret Masses, and to witness the Faith. They came from all ages and background, and their heroic witness helps us a greater love for the Church, the Mass and the priesthood.

The 284 commemorated today include our own Worcestershire martyrs:

- ◇ **St John Wall:** hung, drawn and quartered at Red Hill, Worcester, 2 August 1679, canonised 1970
- ◇ **St Nicholas Owen:** died under torture in the Tower, 2 March 1606, canonised 1970
- ◇ **Bl. Edward Oldcorne:** executed at Red Hill, Worcester, 7 April 1606, beatified 1929
- ◇ **Bl. Arthur Bell:** executed at Tyburn, 11 December 1643, beatified 1987.