

ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

Sunday 22 May

Sixth Sunday of Easter

International Day of Prayer for Eastern Christians

8.30am

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

10.30am**

Mass intention for: Private Intention

The Children's Liturgy Group will be leading a May Procession and crowning the statue of Our Lady during the 10.30am Mass today.

****In the garden, please bring your own chair as seating is not provided.**

SECOND COLLECTION on 22nd May for UKRAINE via Fr Hudson's charity

Monday 23 May

Easter Feria

No public Mass today

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Tuesday 24 May

Easter Feria

10.00am

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

Wednesday 25 May

Memorial of St Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church

10.00am

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Thursday 26 May

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

Novena for Pentecost starts today

11.00am

Mass intention for: Private Intention

Friday 27 May

Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop

11.00am

Mass Intention for: Private Intention

Saturday 28 May

Easter Feria

10.00am

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

* In the Georgian Chapel in the grounds of Harvington Hall

The **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (Confession)** is available in church following this Mass and by appointment at other times.

Sunday 29 May

Seventh Sunday of Easter

WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

8.30am

Mass intention for: Private Intention

10.30am**

Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish

****In the garden, please bring your own chair as seating is not provided.**

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:

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.



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

Contributions to the Parish: 9-16 May

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit:	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes:	£97.50
Loose cash:	£109.60

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.



WELCOME TO ST MARY'S!

Whilst there is no legal requirement to wear a face covering the government suggests that we still 'Consider wearing a face covering in crowded and enclosed spaces'. In addition, 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.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICER: Valerie Nolan,
sg.stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk

If you would like to speak to someone about Diocesan safeguarding and the Church's work, please call 0121 230 6240.

If you would like to speak to someone independent of the Church you can contact the NSPCC on 0808 800 5000.

PARISH HEALTH & SAFETY OFFICER: Peter Boszko,
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EMERGENCY EXIT: This is via the sacristy and through the house.



PENTECOST will be celebrated on Sunday 5 June 2022, fifty days after Easter Sunday. It commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon Our Lady and the Apostles. **ARCHBISHOP BERNARD** invites us to join him in praying a **novena from Ascension to Pentecost**:

‘THAT GOD MAY RAISE US UP’

Now as he blessed them, he withdrew from them and was carried up to heaven. (Lk 24:51)

Lift us up with you, Lord Jesus Christ,
 from the sickness, suffering, fear and grief of these last months.
 Bless all that your body, the Church, has achieved through her worship of
 God and her care of God’s children.
 Renew the Holy Spirit among us,
 that, sent like your apostles, to the people of our diocese,
 all may contribute to the proclamation of God’s word
 and to the growth of God’s kingdom.

Amen



... to be held in the garden of the Priest’s House here at St Mary’s during the afternoon of **Saturday 25th June**. Please email the parish office (stmary.harvington@rcaob.org.uk) with offers of help. All hands to the pump please!



Have you seen the amazing list of prizes that could be won in the **RAFFLE** to be drawn at the end of the Fete? There are illustrations of the prizes in the church porch and some are listed on the tickets. Since they were printed, the Severn Valley Railway have donated a valuable Family Travel Voucher. This, and all the generously donated prizes, can be won with by buying a £1 raffle ticket! Please take as many books of tickets as you are able to sell to family, friends, neighbours and colleagues and, of course, yourselves! **Please place completed stubs and payments in an envelope and post in the labelled bin available on Sundays or in the Offertory basket on other days. Please do not post loose cash and stubs in the bin or basket** as putting payments in envelopes with the stubs makes it easier for us to match the stubs with the money paid in.



The **CRAFT GROUP** meet fortnightly on **Wednesdays at 1.30pm at Rowberry’s Tea Rooms**. Their ongoing project is creating cross stitch tapestry cushions for the church pews. Other crafts are worked too and the Group make items to sell at the Autumn Craft Sale at St Mary’s. The next two meetings are on **Wednesday 25th May and Wednesday 8th June**. Even if you have never been to one of these

Craft Group meetings before, come along on Wednesday and try your hand at a new skill as well as meet and make friends. You will be warmly welcomed!



**Taken from a letter from
His Grace, Archbishop Bernard Longley:**

You may be aware that over the last five to six weeks there have been many generous offers of accommodation in parishes around the Archdiocese to welcome those who are fleeing the war and are settling, temporarily or even possibly long-term, in Britain. I asked Father Hudson's Care on behalf of the Archdiocese to coordinate a response to these generous offers and they are now involved in supporting the matching process between individuals and families here willing to host individuals and families from Ukraine.

It has become clear to the group of Diocesan representatives which meets weekly regarding our response to the crisis in Ukraine, facilitated by Father Hudson's, that a Diocesan fund is necessary for several reasons:

- *To recruit a worker for up to 6 months who will support the host and refugee families, particularly with the complex Visa and matching process, and then afterwards staying in touch with them and ensuring that they get the full support that they are supposed to get from the local Council and other statutory agencies. Also helping with any of the issues that will undoubtedly arise in such an emotional and complex time. Father Hudson's would seek to recruit a worker who can speak Ukrainian and/or Russian.*
- *It is also clear that some families and individuals who arrive will need destitution support and some of this collection will be used as a crisis fund for this where necessary. Some existing Catholic Ukrainian communities in the Archdiocese may also request some of this funding to enable their work of welcome to thrive.*

Should there be any funds remaining once our local Diocesan response is in place and fully working for the time period necessary, these would be given to CAFOD for their support in Ukraine and its neighbouring countries.

Yours devotedly in Christ

+ Bernard

*✠ Bernard Longley
Archbishop of Birmingham*

