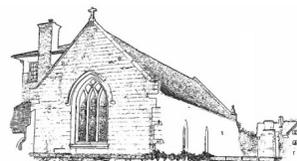


# ST MARY'S CHURCH HARVINGTON, DY10 4LR



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## MASSES THIS WEEK (with YEAR C Readings)

**Sunday 19 June**

**Solemnity of The Most Holy Body  
and Blood of Christ**

Day for Life

8.30am

*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

10.30am\*\*

*Mass intention for: George Oakes R.I.P.*

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

SECOND COLLECTION on 19 June for the Day for Life

**Monday 20 June**

**Memorial of St Alban, Martyr**

*No public Mass today*

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

**Tuesday 21 June**

**Memorial of St Aloysius Gonzaga, Religious**

10.00am

*Mass Intention for: Anne Quinn*

**Wednesday 22 June**

**Feast of Ss John Fisher, Bishop  
and Thomas More, Martyrs**

10.00am

*Mass Intention for: Tony Stevens R.I.P.*

**Thursday 23 June**

**Solemnity of the Nativity of  
St John the Baptist**

11.00am

*Mass Intention for: Tony Hannon R.I.P.*

**Friday 24 June**

**Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus**

11.00am

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

**Saturday 25 June**

**Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary**

10.00am

*Mass Intention for: Private Intention*

\* 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 26 June**

**Thirteen Sunday in Ordinary Time**

8.30am

*Mass intention for Charles & Kate Cantillon R.I.P.*

10.30am\*\*

*Mass intention for: Parishioners of the Parish*

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SECOND COLLECTION on 26 June for Peter's Pence

**Anniversaries in June:** Lady Mary Yate (1696), Rev George Hartley (1806), Hugh Arbutnott (1982), Kate Cantillon (1988), MarieTeresa Rochford (1990), Rev Lawrence Jones (1993), Mary Kumeta (1994), Rev Geoffrey Tucker (1999), James Gould (2002), Marie Teresa Shingler (2006), Michael Robinson (2008) Patrick Sharkey (2010), Kate Ludlow (2011), Terry Pearcehouse (2011), Peter Fernihough (2014), Pat Twyman (2016), Frank Collins (2019), Peter Riley (2019), Margaret Pakes (2020)

**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.

In your charity, please pray for the repose of the soul of  
**John Townsend** who died on Sunday 5 June.



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

**Contributions to the Parish: 2 - 9 June**

Regular, weekly Gift Aid Direct Debit: .....	£316.00
Gift Aid Envelopes: .....	£101.00
Loose cash: .....	£192.00

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.

For **OFFERTORY DONATIONS** on **SUNDAYS** please place your offering in the 'bin' on the entrance table. On **OTHER DAYS OF THE WEEK** offerings may be placed **in the basket on the sanctuary step in front of the altar.**

**COVID PRECAUTIONS:** 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,  
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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.



The **CRAFT GROUP** are meeting at Rowberry's Tea Rooms on **Wednesday 22 June at 1.30pm**. 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!



Our **PARISH SUMMER FETE** will be held in the Priest's Garden at St Mary's on **SATURDAY 25TH JUNE** (gates open at 1.30).

There are many ways in which **YOU** can help:  
More **VOLUNTEERS** are needed - **please see the lists on the clip boards.**

### **There are still gaps:**

- The BOTTLE STALL needs more people to help with the very popular stall.
- The REFRESHMENT STALL needs **at least three more helpers.**
- Thanks to those who have promised **SCONES** but **MORE** are needed.
- **At least two more people are** needed to help with CHILDREN'S GAMES ON THE LAWN

### **DONATIONS** are needed of:

- Good quality items for the **gift stall/tombola**
- **Bottles** of all shapes and description for the bottle tombola ... anything from a bottle of nail varnish to a Jeroboam of champagne!
- **Books, Dvds, Cds**
- Good quality used **children's toys and clothing**
- **Bric-a-Brac**
- **Costume jewellery and scarves.** [NO clothing this year please]
- **Handbags** of all shapes and sizes
- Bottles of all sizes for the **Whiskey/Whisky** Galore game
- **Cakes, baked goods, homemade food stuffs** for the Home Produce Stall (\*please bring these on Fete Day).
- **Scones** for the refreshment stall (\***please sign the list** on the clip board and bring your scones on Fete Day).
- **Plants** for the Plant Stall are desperately needed this year as the generous supplier in past years is no longer able to help. If you have surplus plants, seedlings, shrubs etc they will find buyers at the Fete!

**Please bring** donations **AFTER morning MASSES** on **Sunday 19th, Tuesday 21st, Wednesday 22nd, Thursday 23rd and Friday 24th June** or by appointment with Fr John at other times.

### **CUSTOMERS** are needed:

- There will plenty of **things for children and grown ups to do, see and buy** whilst being entertained at intervals by **Cleobury Mortimer Brass Band.** There will be **teas, coffee, soft drinks and scones** available for the peckish and **Barbecue food** for the hungry!
- Please buy and sell **RAFFLE TICKETS,**



**DAY FOR LIFE** is the day in the Church's year dedicated to raising awareness about the meaning and value of human life at every stage and in every condition. Bishop John Sherrington, the Lead Bishop for Life Issues for the Church in England and Wales outlines the theme for the 2022 Day for Life, celebrated in England and Wales on **Sunday 19 June**, takes the theme of '**CARING FOR THE OLDER PERSON**'.

The COVID pandemic highlighted the desperate plight of many older people, especially those in care homes and those struggling with long-term chronic conditions such as dementia. They carried the highest burden which included prolonged isolation, the distress for families being unable to visit, delayed medical interventions and tragic, isolated, deaths followed by shortened, minimal, funeral rites. Many family members and friends continue to bear the wound of deep grief which hurts and is still in need of healing. "We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families, in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations."

### **Valuing older persons**

There are many challenges which we face; the way in which we provide care for older persons, its cost and the means of payment, the shortage of staff in care homes, the time and energy needed to help older people feel valued and wanted. Many feel they have become a burden or can feel treated as a burden, a 'bed-blocker', or a nuisance because they move more slowly, struggle with more physical challenges and live a different rhythm of life. They often feel vulnerable and worry when they hear talk about and even concrete proposals for the legislation of assisted suicide and euthanasia.

### **Pope's Catechesis**

Pope Francis has recently offered a very different and more positive perspective. In his Catechesis on Old Age, he writes: "The alliance between generations, which restores all ages of life to the human, is our lost gift and we have to get it back. It must be found, in this throwaway culture and in the culture of productivity." He invites us to listen to the dreams of older women and men and to learn from their wisdom (Joel 2:28). Older persons have a different rhythm to life from which we can learn. He continues: "The arrogance of the time on the clock must be converted into the beauty of the rhythms of life."

### **Provide accessible palliative care**

We invite people to think again about the value and worth of older persons in families, in society, and to make practical choices to build bridges between the generations. We call for people and parishes to devote quality time, energy and creativity in caring for the older persons in our communities.

We invite engagement in political debate on providing adequately resourced care of the older person so that no-one feels like a burden in our society.

We challenge our politicians and healthcare system to provide accessible palliative care for all the dying.

We encourage people to learn from a closer accompaniment of the elderly that there is a real richness in the journey through old age, which offers a deeper meaning and a new rhythm to the whole of life; something which can be celebrated and lived with hope in eternal life.

*St. Joachim and St Anne, pray for us*

For further details please refer to the website: [www.dayforlife.org](http://www.dayforlife.org)