# The Parish of The Holy Trinity and Our Lady Fleet & Church Crookham



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Mass Times & Venues 5th May 2024 — 12th May 2024 Year B (II) Psalter Week 2

| Sat 4th May:         | 6th Sunday of Easter              |
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| 6.00pm (HT):         | People of the Parish              |
| Sun 5th May:         | 6th Sunday of Easter              |
| 9.00am (HT):         | Teresa O'Beirne RIP               |
| 10.45am (HT):        | Mass celebrated in Polish         |
| 11.00am (OL):        | Alan Sullivan RIP                 |
| Mon 6th May:         | No Mass - Day Off                 |
| Tue 7th May:         | Tuesday of Eastertide             |
| 9.30am (HT):         | Fr Paddy Gillen RIP               |
| Wed 8th May:         | Wednesday of Eastertide           |
| 9.30am (OL):         | His Majesty King Charles' Intents |
| Thurs 9th May:       | The Ascension of the Lord         |
| 9.30am (HT) <b>:</b> | Joan Convery's Intentions         |
| 7.00pm (HT):         | Mass celebrated in Polish         |
| 7.00pm (OL):         | Sadie Walsh RIP Anniversary       |
| Fri 10th May:        | Friday of Eastertide              |
| 9.30am (OL):         | Bill Freeman RIP                  |
| Sat 11th May:        | Saturday of Eastertide            |
| 9.30am (OL):         | Daphne Weeks' Birthday & Intents  |
| 6.00pm (HT):         | Janetta Rosario's Wellbeing       |
| Sun 12th May:        | 7th Sunday of Easter              |
| 9.00am (HT):         | People of the Parish              |
| 10.45am (HT):        | Mass celebrated in Polish         |
| 11.00am (OL):        | Lynne Mortimer's Intentions       |
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## Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Saturday 10:15am – 11:15am (OL), Saturday 5pm – 5:45pm (HT) and by appointment

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament Daily Before weekday Masses Thursday Exposition – TBC

Baptisms, Funerals & Weddings – By appointment

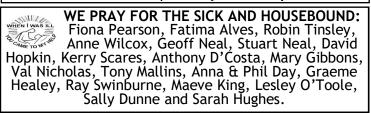
Sacrament of the Sick & Anointing – Please speak with the parish priest or contact the parish office and leave a message if there is no reply.

## DO YOU KNOW THAT...



Before Vatican II Council (1962-1965), one of the major theological arguments that took centre stage amongst Catholics was - Who will be saved? The crux of the argument was this: Since the Catholic Church is that Church established by Christ and has the divinely revealed means to guarantee individual salvation, surely, other Christians, people of other faiths and none cannot be saved!!! While so many theologians supported the above arguments, so many others countered it since that would mean pigeonholing God to the Catholic Church, which is certainly not the way of God. The Synodal Fathers debated this topic for a long time and arrived at a clear and concise conclusion which is contained in Lumen Gentium Numbers 11-16. The Church makes it clear that everyone is included in the salvific plan of God be they Catholics, Christians, Jews, Muslims, Those who seek the unknown God in images and shadows, and Pagans who for no fault of theirs strive to live a good life as we encounter in our readings this Sunday.

In our First Reading from Acts Chapter 10, Peter was astonished that God poured His Holy Spirit on the pagan Cornelius and his household in the same way the disciples received Hin on the day of Pentecost. That was the beginning of Peter's openness to everyone be they Jews or Gentiles. We are equally invited to embrace that same openness remembering the words of that hymn by Sydney Carter - And the Creed, and the colour and the name won't matter. What matters is that we are people of Love, and that we show that same love to all those around us, in imitation of God who loves us most exceptionally. **Fr Johnpromise** 



## **PARISH NOTICES**

**OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING AUDIT:** With the confirmation of Brian and Penny as our Parish Safeguarding Ministers and now they have been given access to everything they need to accomplish their ministry, it is that time of the year to carry out an audit of our safeguarding part of our parish ministry.

To ensure that HTAOL conforms with the Diocese Safeguarding Practices and Policies, a Parish Audit will be carried out to identify activities involving children or vulnerable adults, and to ensure that volunteers have, where required, a DBS certificate and have undertaken Safeguarding Training within the last three years. Leaders of activities where children or vulnerable adults are present are asked to e-mail the Parish Safeguarding team with the names of their group and a list of all of their volunteers. Parishioners' who hold a DBS certificate for Holy Trinity or Our Lady are asked to email the Parish Safeguarding Ministers with the Date of Issue and details of the volunteer role(s) that they complete. The email to use in sending the above is: safeguarding@htaol.org.uk

### **OUR PARISH PATRONAL FEAST DAY & BBQ**



As it is customary in our parish, the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity is always observed as our Parish Patronal Feast Day wherein all our parishioners from both churches worship and party together. This year's Feast falls on Sunday, 26th May 2024. As such, the members of our Parish Liturgy Team and our Parish Social/Fun Team, have already met and streamlined the events of the day. There will only be one Sunday Mass on that day at 11am at Holy Trinity; it will be followed immediately by the party on the grounds of Holy Trinity. Our Parish Social/Fun Team have already asked some people to take charge of various things; however, they will need our assistance too. Here are the various things taking place that day:

**BBQ** - Fr JP, Dave Reed, Candy Head, Johnny Wilson, Ken Bell, Peter Arrigoni, Kevin Delf,

Tents/Gazebos - Mike Henry, Martyn Flanagan, Candy/ Rob Head

Games for Children - Angela Smallwood, Liz Dooley & Confirmation Candidates

Plants - Liz and Gordon Hardless

Drinks - Mike Henry & Paul Flanagan

**Cakes** - Marion Caleb, Philippa Pedlingham, Aileen Martin and etc.

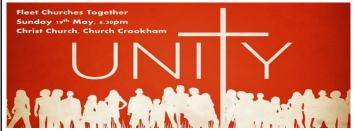
We do need parishioners to help out in the above fields, if you can, do email me and I will signpost you to the right department. For all our gardeners - Could you save some of your perennials that you might be splitting now, into pots and sow some seeds into pots for the Plant Stall at the Holy Trinity May Fair. Liz Hardless would be delighted if you could bring your plants to her on Saturday the 25th or Sunday 26th.

DROP IN CAFÉ WEDNESDAY 8TH MAY 1PM-3PM: Our Drop in Café comes up on Wednesday 8th May from 1pm-3pm in Our Lady Hall. Do come along for delicious soup, cheese scones and homemade cakes; it is equally a place to meet new people and/or catch up with old friends. All are welcome. Donations to cover costs are greatly appreciated. We look forward to having you with us. You will have a great time!!! **SOLEMNITY OF ASCENSION THIS THURSDAY:** This Thursday is the Solemnity of Ascension and a Holy Day of Obligation too; as such, there will be 2 Masses in the parish - HT at 9:30am and OL at 7pm.

**MISSIO RED BOXES:** The National Director of Missio wrote and thanked all our parishioners for supporting them via the Red Boxes. In 2023, **HT raised £2,590.71**, while **OL raised £2,565.82**, through the Red Boxes. Thank you so much. Do bring in your Red Boxes to be emptied by Maria Dyer at HT or Kate Plowman at OL. May God bless you for all you do.

**PENTECOST SUNDAY 2024:** In our Parish Liturgy Meeting last week, we agreed to make this year's Pentecost a tiny bit special by celebrating the rich but diverse languages in our parish. To that effect, I would like us to have the 2nd Reading and the Bidding Prayers of this Sunday in several languages. You will be provided with the bidding prayer and you will say it in your native language. If anyone of us would like to take part in this, do email and I will get the reading and/or bidding prayer to you as soon as possible. Come Holy Spirit.

#### UNITY SERVICE FOR ALL CHRISTIANS IN FLEET & CHURCH CROOKHAM ON PENTECOST SUNDAY



We are all invited to join together with Christians in Fleet and Church Crookham, for our annual Unity Service on Sunday 19th May at 6.30pm. This year it will be held at the oldest church in our area -Christ Church, Crookham, Gally Hill Road, GU52 6LH. This will be a great opportunity for all Christians members of all our Churches to meet and worship together. Let us remember that we worship the same Father God, we follow the same Saviour Jesus Christ, and the same Spirit breathes His life into us all. Meeting like this strengthens us and is a strong witness to our shared faith, hope and love.

A DAY WITH MARY AT BOURNEMOUTH ORATORY: A Day with Mary holds on Saturday 18th May 2024 at Bournemouth Oratory. It starts at 9:30am with the entry procession of the glorious statue of Our Lady of Walsingham. It is a day not to miss.

#### THANK YOU ALL FOR MY BIRTHDAY



I had the most amazing birthday celebration on Wednesday; thank you all for making it so memorable for me. As a '**Thank You'** to all of our parishioners, I will be providing a big cake for each of our 2 Sunday Masses to be eaten during tea and coffee after Mass. If you have time after Mass, come to the hall, get a piece of cake and a cup of tea/coffee and thank God with me for the gift of life.