

ENGLISH MARTYRS' NEWSLETTER

7TH Sunday of Easter (Year C)

1st/2nd June 2019

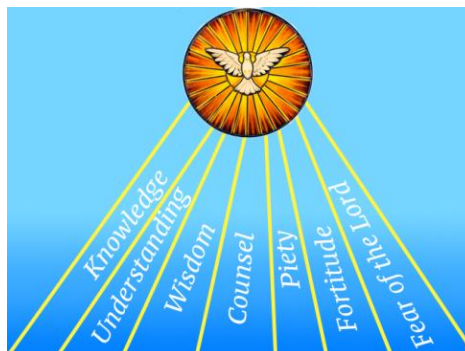
WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY



OUR PARISH VISION

English Martyrs is a welcoming community, inviting, encouraging and supporting all to have an ever-deepening relationship with Jesus. We are inspired to show God's love to the world with joy and hope

CONFIRMATION



CONGRATULATIONS

Aiden FRANCIS XAVIER Noronha, Aine MONICA Gorman,
Albin JOSEPH Biju, Amanda ANGELA Millin,
Anna THERESE John, Anya THERESE of Liseux Noronha,
Blesson THOMAS Prince, Caroline MARY Joshy,
Clarissa LEA Lobo, Edward PETER Tracey,
Eliza ROSE Dell, Kacper PAUL Wozinicki,
Matthew LAWRENCE Baker, Pavel ISIDORE Bojak,
Seamus JOSEPH Tobin, Simon CLARE De Araujo Ricardo,
Susannah VERONICA BERNADETTE Francis,
Stefan LEO Chessell, Warren MATTHEW Rodrigues,
Valencia MARY MAGDELEN De Araujo,
Weronika ISABELLE Watroba, Wiktoria ROSE Kolecka

who are all received the Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop Philip Egan at St John's Cathedral, Portsmouth on Saturday 1st June.

Please keep our newly confirmed young people and their families in your prayers

THE ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC CHURCH

64 Liebenrood Road, Reading RG30 2EB
Registered Charity No. 246871

PARISH CLERGY

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ASSISTANT PRIEST & HOSPITAL CHAPLAIN

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Sunday Mass 4.00pm at RBH
Old Chapel by London Road entrance.
All are welcome.

ASSISTING PRIEST: FR RICHARD MANIAK

PARISH OFFICE

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ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

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www.englishmartyrs.reading.sch.uk

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Fawley Road, Southcote Reading RG30 3EP
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<https://www.hughfaringdon.org/>

PRAYER TO THE HOLY SPIRIT

Come, Holy Spirit,
Fill the Hearts of your Faithful,
And kindle in them the fire of your love.
Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created, and you
will renew
the face of the earth
Lord by the light of the Holy Spirit
you have taught the hearts of your faithful.
In the same spirit help us to relish what is right and
always
rejoice in your consolation.
We ask this through Christ our Lord
Amen.

The Bookstall is open in Room 2 after 9.30am and 11.30am Masses.
Cards & Gifts for First Holy Communion & Confirmation are available

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| <p>FIRST COMMUNION 2019</p> <p>ALL SESSIONS ARE IN THE CHURCH 9.15AM (PROMPT) – 10.30AM</p> <p>Sat 8th June Session 12 – Bringing it all together & Review</p> <p>First Holy Communions Weekends of 9th, 15th/16th and 22nd/23rd June</p> | <p>THE NEXT CHILDRENS LITURGY</p> <p>is Sunday 2nd June at 9.30am</p> <p>(Next it is Sunday 6th July) It is also Name Badge Sunday</p> | <p>CHILDRENS NEWSLETTERS</p> <p>'LOOK' AGE UP TO 7</p> <p>'ICHTHUS' AGE 7+</p> <p>PLEASE PICK ONE UP AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH</p> |
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| <p>GLOW 'let your light shine' <small>Matthe</small></p> <p>SENIOR YOUTH GROUP NEXT MEETING 28TH JUNE SPORTS DAY IN THE PARK</p> <p>Time - TBC</p> | <p>YOUTH OF OUR PARISH</p> <p>"DON BOSCO" BOYS CAMP -Sunday 28th July to Saturday 3rd August 2019</p> <p>Fr Mark Hogan will be leading a camp for boys of secondary school age at St. Cassian's, Kintbury, Berkshire. There will be plenty of sport, outings, competitions and fun and games to ensure that boys will have a fantastic few days. This will continue to take place within the context of the celebration of the Catholic Faith, including daily Mass and morning prayer. The cost of the camp is £210 (part bursaries may be available on application). To find out more or to reserve a place, please contact Angela Mulkerns on 07764 761006 or email dbcamps@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk</p> |
| <p>ELEVATE JUNIOR YOUTH GROUP "Exploring Faith Through Fun" Next Meeting Friday 7th June 4.30-5.30pm in the Parish Hall</p> | |

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| <p>ENGLISH MARTYRS YOUTH CHOIR</p> <p>'Singing Together as One Voice' Every Monday 4 – 5.15pm at English Martyr's Church. Age 7+ (School Years 3-13) welcome. Choir sings: Every Sunday at 5pm Mass</p> | <p>ALTAR SERVERS Please collect an updated CONTACT DETAILS FORM from the Sacristy</p> | <p>ALTAR SERVERS MEETING 2pm on Saturday 22nd June In English Martyrs Church</p> |
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| <p>GOLF DAY IN AID OF CAFOD 12TH JULY</p> <p>The Catenians of Province 11 are organising a Golf Day to raise funds for CAFOD on Friday 12th July at Weybrook Golf Club in Basingstoke. After the golf there will be a dinner for golfers and their non-golfing partners which will include a speaker from CAFOD head Office.</p> <p>For more information please contact Pat Murphy on pfm190654@outlook.com</p> | <p>PASTORAL AREA DAY OF RECOLLECTION</p> <p>Extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion in Reading Pastoral Area are invited to a day of recollection, Saturday 6th July 2019, 10.30am-3.00pm (registration from 10.00am), St Dominic Savio Primary School, Western Avenue, Woodley. Attendees must complete an application form via English Martyrs Parish Office</p> |
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| <p>JOURNEY IN FAITH (RCIA)</p> <p>The Journey in Faith group meets weekly on Tuesday evenings from 6.45 – 8.15 pm in Room 2 in the Parish Centre. We are a mixture of active parishioners, new Catholics, adults preparing to be baptised or confirmed and people simply seeking to know more about the Catholic faith. It is an informal group where we explore the Catholic Faith together; we always include a time of getting to know the scripture readings for the following Sunday.</p> <p>If you, or anyone you know would like to know more about the group, please contact one of our parish priests or the Parish Office.</p> | <p>SOCIETY FOR THE PROTECTION OF UNBORN CHILDREN 40 DAYS OF LIFE CAMPAIGN IN SEPTEMBER 2019</p> <p>Presentation on Tuesday 18th June 2019 at 8.15am in the Carl Barton Room at the church of Our Lady of Peace and Blessed Dominic Barberi 338 Wokingham Road, Earley RG6 7DA</p> |
| | <p>VOCATIONS</p> <p>"Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am".</p> <p>Do you hunger for the salvation of souls? To explore further, contact Fr John Cooke. vocations@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk or call 01329 318869</p> |

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| <p>CAFOD - THE TIME IS NOW!</p> <p>"The earth, our home is beginning to look more and more like an immense pile of filth" Pope Francis.</p> <p>In his encyclical Laudato Si' Care for our Common Home Pope Francis urges us to hear the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor and to take action. Climate Change is the biggest threat to our planet, and we are calling on everyone to tell their MPs that the time to act is NOW! Please join us on Wednesday 26th June for the Time is Now Lobby of Parliament. For more information and to sign up go to https://cafod.org.uk/Campaign/Climate/Climate-lobby</p> | <p>EMMAUS GROUPS</p> <p>There are five Emmaus Groups here at English Martyrs to provide the opportunity for parishioners to get together in small groups to pray together and chat about the Sunday Bible readings.</p> <p>No expert knowledge required! Why not come along and see for yourself? The next meetings are on Monday 3rd June at 7.30pm in Room 1 Wednesday 5th June at 10.30am in Room 2 Friday 7th June at 10.30am in Room 2 Saturday 8th June in Room 2</p> |
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**Evening of Praise & Worship
PENTECOST VIGIL**

“wait for the gift my father promises..... the Holy Spirit” (Acts 1:4)

Friday 7th June 2019

Rosary at 7pm
Praise & Worship at 7.30pm
*You will receive the power of the Holy Spirit and
you will be my witness (Acts 1:8)*
Come and See
Here at English Martyrs Church

**YOUTH & FAMILY MASS PLANNING MEETING
On Friday 7th June 2019**

There is a planning meeting for anyone interested in helping out with the Youth & Family Mass
(to be held on 30th June in Prospect Park)
at **6pm in Room 1** of the Parish Centre

This is your opportunity to get involved!



Pentecost

We will be celebrating Pentecost at the end of each Mass on the weekend of 8 / 9 June.
Can you please bring a plate to share with all?

HOSPITALITY TEAM

The Parish is looking to set up Hospitality as a Ministry and looking for volunteer members to set up and organise this important ministry.
The first meeting will be held **on Monday 10 June 2019 at 6.00pm** in the English Martyrs Parish Hall.

**ENGLISH MARTYRS CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL
Seeks CLERK TO GOVERNORS**

See Noticeboard or
www.englishmartyrs.reading.sch.uk/news-events/vacancies

THE HIBERNIAN SOCIETY

are hosting a **TEA DANCE** here in the Parish Hall
2-4.30PM on Sunday 23rd June 2019

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2019

This year 28 Children are making their First Holy Communion.
They will receive the Sacrament for the first time at their usual Mass on 9th, 15th, 16th, 22nd or 23rd June.
At this very special time for children and their families there will inevitably be extra people at services and special seating arrangements and there will also be more cars in the car park – so please take extra care.
Your patience and assistance are appreciated

**SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES
MASS OF CELEBRATION**

On 6th July at St Bede’s Church in Basingstoke.

“Invitations have now been sent out to all couples who have registered. If anybody has registered and not received an invitation, please contact your Parish Secretary who will forward your details to us.”

**Registration for REQUIRED DIOCESAN TRAINING DAY for all those involved with prayer ministry in any way.
PRAYING WITH OTHERS.**

Prayer ministry is part of our service to others, praying with another person for a variety of needs. We wish to encourage simple praying with each other, and doing it in a way that takes particular care of those who may be vulnerable. We have therefore developed a new diocese operating policy which explains how to set up and run a parish prayer group, and how to pray for people at, for example, the end of mass or at an Alpha Holy Spirit Day. Our wish is that everyone who currently prays with another needs to go on our short training course to be able to continue in this ministry. We have organised two initial dates:
Friday 14th June (10.30am-3pm) at St. Bede’s Basingstoke or Saturday 22nd June (2pm-6.30pm) at St. Peter’s Winchester
Please book a place by emailing Grania at gegan@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk
If you cannot attend either of these dates please email Clare at csimpson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

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| in brief | 8 th June | Healing Seminar 3. ‘GIFT & GIFTS OF THE SPIRIT’ at Douai Abbey – See Noticeboard for more details |
| | 14 th June | St Anthony of Padua feast day. Thursday 7.30pm Mass dedicated to St Anthony |
| | 15 th June | New Testament Greek Beginners Study Day – Sat. 15 th June 2019 See Noticeboard for more details |
| | 22 nd June | “ON FIRE” Prayer & Healing Service. 5-7pm at St Josephs Church, Tilehurst |
| | 27 th June | 7.30pm – Creation Mass here at English Martyrs “Campaigns: Climate: Common Home” (CAFOD) |
| | 30 th June | Youth & Family Mass , starts 2pm in Prospect park |
| | 3 rd July | Mission Animation Evening here at English martyrs Parish Hall at 7.30pm. See Noticeboard for more information. |
| | 24-30 th July | Diocesan Youth Pilgrimage to Lourdes - See lourdes@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk for more info. |
| | 10 th August | AYLESFORD PILGRIMAGE FOR THE DEAF. See poster on Noticeboard for more details |
| | 19 th – 23 rd August | FANNING THE FLAME CATHOLIC MISSION An Amazing Adventure Summer Camp 19th – 23rd August www.FanningTheFlame.co.uk See Poster on our Noticeboard for more details |
| | 28 th & 29 th September | 2019 CELEBRATE CONFERENCE is in Southampton. See website for more info https://www.celebrateconference.org/southampton |

ON ADMISSION TO ROYAL BERKSHIRE HOSPITAL
 all Catholics should inform the hospital staff that they are Roman Catholic
 and if they wish to have Communion or see a Priest. All arrangements in
 RBH are "Patient Led". **Hospital Chaplain -**
Fr JP Lyttle Mobile: 07391 896559 / RBH: 0118 322 7105

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PARISH MASS & SERVICES TIMETABLE
SAT 1st JUNE TO SUNDAY 9th JUNE 2019

| <u>DAYS</u> | <u>TIMES</u> | <u>MASS INTENTIONS</u> |
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| Vigil Mass – Saturday 1st June 7 th SUNDAY OF EASTER | 6.30 pm | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 2nd June 7 th SUNDAY OF EASTER Responsorial Psalm: <i>The Lord is king, most high above all the earth</i> | 9.30 am | Peter Sheppard RIP |
| | 11.30 am | Kathleen Gaughan RIP & Kevin Commins RIP |
| | 5.00 pm | Kate Knollys RIP |
| | 6.15pm | Stations of the Resurrection |
| Monday 3rd June St Charles Lwanga & Companions, <i>memorial</i> | 9.30am | Bill Canning RIP |
| Tuesday 4th June Of the 7 th Week of Easter | 9.30am | David Thompson Intention |
| Wednesday 5th June St Boniface, <i>memorial</i> | 9.30 am | John E. Kelly RIP, Tom Kelly RIP & Stephen Kelly RIP |
| Thursday 6th June Of the 7 th Week of Easter | 9.30 am | Bridie O’Gorman RIP |
| | 10am to 9pm | Continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |
| | 7.30 pm | Deceased members of the Mc Cormack & Martland Families RIP |
| Friday 7th June Of the 7 th Week of Easter | 6.30am | Tony Fish RIP |
| | 9.30am | Angela Webb, Intention |
| | 10am to 9pm | Continuous Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |
| Saturday 8th June Of the 7 th Week of Easter | 11.00am | Couples for Christ (South) Thanksgiving Mass |
| | 3.00 – 4.00pm | Divine Mercy Devotions and Confessions |
| Vigil Mass – Saturday 8th June Pentecost Sunday | 6.30pm | People of the Parish |
| Sunday 2nd June Pentecost Sunday | 9.30 am | Joan Smith RIP |
| | 11.30 am | Deceased members of the Alookaran Family RIP |
| | 5.00 pm | Tony Walsh RIP |
| | 6.15pm | Stations of the Resurrection |

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Sat. 11.30–12.30pm, Sun. 8am–9am, Mon-Fri. 8.25am–9.25am
 Thurs & Fri 10.00am – 9.00pm (in the Baptistry)

Confessions: Saturday 5.30 – 6.15pm and Sunday 4.00 – 4.45pm.

| <u>COUNTERS</u> | <u>CHURCH CLEANING</u> | <u>WEEKLY COLLECTION 26th MAY</u> Envelopes £197.71/Plate £773.81 |
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| 2nd June Maurice Fleming & Paula Garcia 9th June Aidan & Jane Dalgleish | Friday 7th June Group 4 - after morning Mass | April 2019 Standing Orders £ 2212 Direct Debits £1513 |

BAPTISMS - A WARM WELCOME to

Noah Jacob McLean who will be baptised this Sunday 2nd June at 11.30am Mass

Isabella Anna Myers who will be baptised this Sunday 2nd June at 1pm



TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION IS FOR WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY

DAY PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM
NOW FULLY BOOKED