



Parish of Saint Joseph

Malvern Worcestershire

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A

13th147th May 2023

REFLECTION

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

Psalms 66

1 Peter 3:15-18

John 14:15-21

Jesus will not leave us alone. He won't make us children of God in Baptism only to leave us "orphans," He assures us in today's Gospel. He asks the Father to give us His Spirit, to dwell with us and keep us united in the life He shares with the Father. We see the promised gift of His Spirit being conferred in today's First Reading. The scene from Acts apparently depicts a primitive Confirmation rite. Philip, one of the first deacons, proclaims the Gospel in the non-Jewish city of Samaria. The Samaritans accept the Word of God and are baptized. It remains for the Apostles to send their representatives, Peter and John, to pray and lay hands on the newly baptized—that they might receive the Holy Spirit. This is the origin of our Sacrament of Confirmation, by which the grace of Baptism is completed and believers are sealed with the Spirit promised by the Lord. Put to death in the flesh, He was brought to life in the Spirit, Paul tells us today. And as He himself promises: "Because I live, . . . you will live."

Masses, Services & Intentions

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| Sat | 13 | Our Lady of Fatima | 10.00am | Holy Mass | |
| Sat | 13 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 5.30pm | Holy Rosary before Mass | |
| Sat | 13 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 6.00pm | Holy Mass | George Farmery † (Margaret Rank) |
| Sun | 14 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 9.30am | Holy Rosary before Mass | |
| Sun | 14 | SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 10.00am | Holy Mass Live streamed | Beryl Gaunt † |
| Mon | 15 | Easter Feria | 12.00 noon | Holy Mass <i>Live streamed</i> | Peter Greenrod (DOB) (Lynne Harper) |
| Tue | 16 | Easter Feria | 7.45am | Holy Mass | |
| Wed | 17 | Easter Feria | | Private Mass | |
| Thu | 18 | Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament | 10am – 6.45pm | | In Church |
| Thu | 18 | THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD | 12.00 noon | Holy Mass | Sheila Conway DOB (Lynne Harper) |
| Thu | 18 | THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD | 7.00 pm | Holy Mass Live streamed | People of the Parish |
| Fri | 19 | Easter Feria | 9.15am | Holy Mass | |
| Sat | 20 | Easter Feria | 10.00am | Holy Mass | |
| Sat | 20 | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 5.30pm | Holy Rosary before Mass | |
| Sat | 20 | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 6.00pm | Holy Mass | JW Intention (Lynne Harper) |
| Sun | 21 | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 9.30am | Holy Rosary before Mass | |
| Sun | 21 | SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER | 10.00am | Holy Mass Live streamed | Christine Eckersley † (Eckersley Family) |



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St Joseph's Catholic Parish, Malvern UK

HOLY MASS AT ST JOSEPH'S is livestreamed on some days via YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/@stjosephs.rcparish.malvernuk> or
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCq9QGYZ7CmmPDRxzmT_tto

Fr Naz hears confession in the Confessional from 10:30am until 11am on Saturdays or by appointment.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the sick & housebound of St Joseph's parish: Clare Gray, Michael Nealon, Irma Bevan, Anne Wiseman, Martin Burger, Anne-Marie Elder, Margaret Coleman, Terry Warneford, and Jessica. We include all those in hospitals, nursing homes & their own homes. Our Lady, health of the sick, pray for them. **Amen**

Annual Parish Meeting and Elections to the PAC. The next APM will be held at **4.00 pm in the McEnnis room on Sunday 4th June**. The agenda for this meeting will be available over the weekend of 14 May. If anyone has an item they would like to be considered for the agenda, please put it in writing and hand it to the Parish Office no later than the weekend of 7 May. There are 2 vacancies for members of the parish to serve on the PAC for the next 3 years. Nomination forms will be available during the weekend of 29th April. Completed nomination forms must be returned no later than the weekend of 20th May.

Edd Hogan fundraising for his nephew, Tom, who is 14 & has recently been diagnosed with brain cancer. He is receiving intensive chemotherapy at Leeds Children's Hospital on the Teenage Cancer Trust ward. Edd will be taking part in Ride London at the end of May – cycling 100 miles from the centre of London to Chelmsford (and back) to support the work of the Teenage Cancer Trust. If you would like to sponsor Edd then please go to justgiving.com and search for Edd Hogan to donate. Alternatively, Edd will have a sponsor form for cash donations at various weekend Masses before the event.

Request from Stella Maris Dear Friends, Supporters like you are crucial to Stella Maris's work in so many ways – thank you for all that you do. Whether you pray, donate or volunteer – every single thing helps to make sure seafarers and fishers are welcomed, supported and cared for. But have you considered helping us by volunteering in your parish for Sea Sunday? Sea Sunday is vitally important for Stella Maris. It is a day when we come together to pray for seafarers, fishers and their families, and give thanks for the vital role they play in all our lives. It is also the day, once a year, when we ask for donations from church congregations to ensure that we can continue our essential work.

But we cannot spread the word about the work of Stella Maris without someone telling the stories of the seafarers and fishers whom we support. We know from experience that when someone speaks about the work of Stella Maris in their church, donations double. It really does make a big difference. Sea Sunday is on **9 July this year** and we need volunteers in your parish and in your Diocese more widely. Whether it is volunteering to speak at your church or working with your parish priest to encourage and support him with the Sea Sunday preparation, you'll be helping to raise vital support for the people of the sea. We will provide all the materials you need, from an appeal script, to gift aid envelopes and posters. If you, or a friend or family member, would like to find out more about how you can help this Sea Sunday, please contact me at roland.hayes@stellamarismail.org or call me on 07887 893763. Your support will really help to make Sea Sunday bigger and better in your parish which in turn will benefit more seafarers and fishers. With every blessing, Roland

PARISH ADMINISTRATOR

The position of Parish Administrator will unfortunately, be vacant soon. Ad interim, please address all communication to the parish as well as items for the newsletter to Fr. Naz using either the parish email address or his personal one, both of which are reflected on the newsletter. Anne officially retires at the end of May but with holidays owing, she will be out of office around mid-month.

57th WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY Sunday 21 May 2023 Speaking from the heart is the central theme of Pope Francis' message for this year's 57th World Communications Day. In recent years, the Holy Father has reflected on the building blocks of good communication. The heart, he says, is the common factor motivating us *"to go and see"* and *"to listen"*. It enables us, having listened, to *"speak the truth in love"*. You can read or download the full message here: cbcew.org.uk/wcd23-papal-message/ Kindly assist this crucial work by generously supporting the second collection which will be taken up on the day. You can find the latest news features, events podcasts and more by visiting the Bishops' Conference website: cbcew.org.uk. You can also sign-up for the communications team's weekly newsletter.

This week there is a Second Collection for Christian Aid.

Next week there is a Second Collection for Catholic Communications

Date for your diary On 14th June the One world Group will host a visit by Fr Father Arockiaraj from our Indian partners 'Reaching the Unreached'. We are planning an evening meeting for the Parish - details to follow.

Lyttelton Well Quiz Night - Saturday 13th May 2023 7.00pm. Cost is £2.50 per head.

CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 15 – 28 May Christian Aid Week begins this weekend. Please respond generously to help the people of Malawi, and elsewhere in our needy world. There are many ways to give.

1. In today's second collection
 2. Online at our fundraising page: <https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/st-josephs-malvern>
 3. Using the envelopes provided today and/or next Sunday.
 4. Attend one or more of the events taking place this week. See last week's bulletin or notice at back of church!
- Thanking you in advance.

Christian Aid Week Events. Malvern 2023

14 May 4pm **Service** Holy Trinity Church, Link Top
14-19 May 2-6pm each day **A reading of the Holy Bible, end to end.** St James's Church, Callow End
20 May 10-12 **Coffee morning** Malvern Priory
20 May 10-12 **Plant Sale and Open Garden** 33b Upton Road, Callow End
20 May 2-4 **Afternoon Tea** 33b Upton Road, Callow End
You are welcome to attend any or all of these events!
To donate to Christian Aid online visit website <https://envelope.christianaid.org.uk/st-josephs-malvern>
Or use the QR code below:

