

**PRAYER SPONSORS** There are 14 of our children preparing for the sacraments of First Confession and First Holy Communion this summer. We would like to invite members of the parish community to become Prayer Sponsors for these children as they undertake this very important step in their spiritual life. The role involves offering prayers privately for a specific child and replying to a letter which each child will send, telling you a little bit about themselves. It would be lovely also if the Prayer Sponsor could be at the celebrations, though this is not a requirement! Please contact the on ☎ 463248 or email [parbold@hotmail.com](mailto:parbold@hotmail.com). Thank you to the seven young people who have already volunteered.

**CRIB THANK YOU** Thank you to the team of helpers who dismantled the Crib this week, and carefully stowed away the figures for next Christmas.

**PALMS** The ashes used in the liturgy on Ash Wednesday are traditionally made from the palms used on Palm Sunday the previous year. If you have palms at home, which could be burnt for this Ash Wednesday, 22<sup>nd</sup> February, please could you bring them to Church during the week before and place them in the basket. Thank you.

**GIFT AID ENVELOPES** Gift aid reclaim on offertory donations is worth an extra 25% of donations and an essential income stream to the parish. If you are a tax payer, and don't already gift aid your offertory contribution, please would you consider doing this via the gift aid envelopes. We will shortly be ordering the boxes of envelopes (gift aid and non-gift aid) for the new financial year. All you need to do is complete very brief form via the parish administrator and a box of envelopes will be issued to you. The parish will be able to claim an extra 25% from your donation, at no extra cost to you. Please see the secretary after any Mass for more information, or contact the office on ☎ 463248 or email [parbold@hotmail.com](mailto:parbold@hotmail.com).

**COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASS** This will restart next month, in the Priory on a monthly basis. Thank you to those who have already volunteered; however, we still need a couple more to 'spread the load'. If you can help, please let the parish office know on ☎ 463248 or email [parbold@hotmail.com](mailto:parbold@hotmail.com). Commitment would only be two or three times a year. Many thanks.

**THE PARISH ROOM** The parish room, is located in the Priory (formerly the parish priest's study). It is available for use by groups relating to spirituality or other parish business. It is very comfortable and whilst it is already used by a number of groups for meetings, there is still plenty of availability. If interested, please let office know on ☎ 463248 or email [parbold@hotmail.com](mailto:parbold@hotmail.com).

**PARISH ACTIVITIES** Since July 2020 when OLAS re-opened, there has been a gradual progression towards a new normal. Whilst many of the parish's former activities have resumed, there may be a new activity you'd like to see take place. Have you an idea or project that you'd like to suggest or undertake – don't be shy! Please suggest personally to Fr Daley after any Mass, or by contacting the office: ☎ 463248 or [parbold@hotmail.com](mailto:parbold@hotmail.com). It would be great to start doing some social events, prayer/spirituality initiatives, group projects, more children's Masses, parish outings again. Young or not so young - your ideas are welcome!

*Please take this Newsletter home with you*

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## FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

5<sup>th</sup> February 2023

### Celebration of Holy Mass

5 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10:30 am Peter Wilson
6 <sup>th</sup> Monday	St Paul Miki & Companions, Martyrs	7:00 pm Gordon Brew
7 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Feria	7:00 pm Florence and Patrick McDonald
8 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday	St Jerome Emilian, priest	7:00 pm Tom Curran
9 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Feria	11:30 am Anne and Colin Hawes
10 <sup>th</sup> Friday	ST SCHOLASTICA, VIRGIN	9:30 am Special Intention
12 <sup>th</sup> Sunday	<b>SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR</b>	10:30 am Pro populo

**CONFESSIONS** All welcome to celebrate this important Sacrament before Saturday

**ROSARY** The Rosary will be prayed from 6.35pm on Tuesday in Church, before Mass

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** Sheila Jennings, Sandra Marston, Denise Fletcher, Richard D'Alton, Chloe Harrison, Susan Jones

**LATELY DEAD** Elizabeth (Beth) Conroy

**ANNIVERSARIES** Ruth Cornwell, Florence McDonald, Gerald Winters

**LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY COLLECTION** Loose £94.61 Envelopes £76.00 and SOs £444.00. Thank you for your offerings.