



THE ASCENSION The Feast of the Ascension is the fortieth day after Easter Sunday. In the Eastern Church this feast was known as *analepsis*, "the taking up", and also as the *episozymene*, the salvation, denoting that by ascending into His glory, Christ completed the work of our redemption. The terms used in the West, *ascensio* and, occasionally, *ascensa*, signify that Christ was raised up by His own powers. Tradition designates Mount Olivet near Bethany as the place where Christ left the earth.

CORONATION PICNIC THANK YOU A very enjoyable time was had by all who joined in the picnic last Sunday. Thank you to those who helped prepare the garden, which looked beautiful in the sunshine, served the refreshments, and generally helped out. However, the biggest thank you is to all who attended. Watch this space for our next parish event!

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION The children and parents are enjoying their sessions on aspects of catholic life, delivered by our catechist. On Wednesday, they learnt about the Holy Rosary and a little of the history of the beautiful tree carving of Our Lady in the grounds. There are a couple of photos on the Parish Facebook page: Parish of Our Lady and All Saints.

MEETING OF THE DEANERY SYNODAL COUNCIL There will be a preliminary meeting of the Deanery Synodal Council this month; their main task is to look at local needs and resources that will lead to the establishment of Families of Parishes.

REQUEST FROM ST BEDE'S GARDENING CLUB The gardening club at St Bede's (Gardening Angels) is appealing for donations of plant pots (diameter 8 ins/20 cms or more), bags of compost and bedding plants. These will be used to create flowerpots to give to vulnerable or isolated members of the wider community. The gardening angels will pot up the plants, grow them on and then later in the summer term, they will distribute them. Donations of serviceable pots, garden compost and bedding plants will help spread some joy to those in greater need. Please leave any donations at the front of St Bede's school, or in front of the Priory garage and they will be taken to St Bede's. Many thanks.

NEW SELECTION OF CARDS AND GIFTS Cards and small gifts for First Holy Communion and Confirmation, at very competitive prices are available at the back of church.

Please take this newsletter home with you

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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

14th May 2023

Celebration of Holy Mass

14 th Sunday	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10:30 am Pro populo
15 th Monday	Our Lady of Fatima	7:00 pm Joan Hayes
16 th Tuesday	St Pachomius, Abbot	7:00 pm Dorothy Molloy
17 th Wednesday	Feria	7:00 pm Special Intention (S)
18 th Thursday	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	11:30 am Patricia Wright
19 th Friday	St Dunstan, Bishop	There will be no Mass today
21 st Sunday	SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	10:30 am Pro populo

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

PLEASE PRAY FOR Sheila Jennings, Sandra Marston, Richard D'Alton, Susan Jones, Terence McMahon, Ted Cummings, Matthew Bennett and Margaret Jones

LATELY DEAD Ted Cummings (Funeral 11:00am Tuesday 23rd May at this Church)
Christopher Tromp (Funeral 11:00am Saturday 27th May at this Church) Chloe Harrison.

ANNIVERSARIES Dorothy Molloy, Bryan Pennington

LAST WEEK'S OFFERTORY Loose £181.38, Envelopes £104.00, and Standing Orders £444.00. Thank you.

COMPLINE AND BENEDICTION When a Requiem Mass is held on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday, evening Mass isn't celebrated. From now on, when this arises, Compline and Benediction will take place instead of the evening Mass. Please keep an eye on the newsletter.