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**Sixth Sunday of Easter** 

5 May 2024

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Please remember in your prayers all the sick and housebound, especially: Linda Wragg, Jade Goodinson, Alan Charlesworth, Harley Bond, Eileen McManus, Pauline Sheppard, Jackie & Brian Whelan, Ann Parkinson, Lol Hodges, Margaret Dakin, Joyce McGowan, Heidi Howson, Audrey Rodgers, Sylvia Hayden, Janette Taylor, Sonia Prince, Reece Wilson, Jason Barron, Liz Moran, Elizabeth Dodson, Eunice Mannion, Sue & Frank Rodgers, Andy Mitchell, Marie Montgomery, Rita & Vin Todd, Georgina Shirt, Maria Tarnowski, Elizabeth Barron, Martin Humphreys, Susan De Couto, Jacqueline Wagland, Sr. Teresa Paschal, Tom Bryant. If you would like anyone included on this list, and the individual concerned or a family member has consented to it, simply write the person's name down and hand it in. Thank you.

### **First Holy Communion**

- **We congratulate Toby** who will celebrate his First Holy Communion at the 10.00am Mass this Sunday. Please remember him and his family in your prayers.
- As the children become communicants they are encouraged to deepen their understanding and participation at Mass with their families and the whole community. They are most welcome to think about serving at the Altar, reading at Mass (just one reading if they wish), singing in the choir or helping with the offertory procession or tidying the hymn books after Mass. Please speak with Fr M or Deacon Simon, thank you.

### **Preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation**

Preparation will continue at St Joseph's on Saturday mornings from 9.15 to 10.00am on the following dates: 11 & 18 May (incl. rehearsal). Bishop Heskett will celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation, within the octave of Pentecost, at St Joseph's on Saturday, 25 May, at 5.00pm. Please remember the candidates in your prayers.

#### Novena to Our Lady Perpetual Succour

Our annual novena **continues this Tuesday**, 7 May, **at 7.00pm**. As part of our preparatory prayer for the Jubilee Year in 2025 this year's theme will consider the Lord's Prayer: 'Our Father!' The Catechism calls it 'truly the summary of the whole gospel' and refers to it as the 'most perfect of prayers.' Remember, if you missed this you can catch up at any time!

#### Tuesday, 7 May, 'Our Father Who Art in Heaven'

Tuesday, 14 May, 'Hallowed Be Thy Name'

Tuesday, 21 May, 'Thy Kingdom Come'

Tuesday, 28 May, 'Thy Will Be Done on Earth, As It Is in Heaven'

Tuesday, 4 June, 'Give us this Day Our Daily Bread'

Tuesday, 11 June, 'And Forgive Us Our Trespasses, As We Forgive...'

Tuesday, 18 June, 'And Lead Us Not into Temptation'

Tuesday, 25 June, 'But Deliver Us from Evil'

We will conclude with Mass at 7.00pm on the final evening.

This Thursday, 9 May, the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, is a *Holyday of Obligation*. Masses are at 10.00am, with our school, and 7.00pm.

The next **UCM meeting**, following upon the national conference, will take place in the undercroft this **Saturday**, **11 May**, from 9.30 to 11.00am.

On **Saturday, 22 June,** Bishop Heskett will celebrate the **ordination to the priesthood** of Christian Nwakamma, for service in the Diocese of Hallam, at 11.00 am in the cathedral. Please remember Christian in your prayers during this time of direct preparation. All welcome.

Dates for your diary...

**Sunday, 19 May,** the Solemnity of Pentecost & the conclusion of Eastertide.

Sunday, 26 May, the Solemnity of The Most Holy Trinity.

Sunday, 2 June, the Solemnity of Corpus Christi.

Friday, 7 June, the Solemnity of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.

Sunday, 30 June, the Solemnity of St Peter & St Paul.

**Friday, 19 July**, 10.00am Mass with St Joseph's School as they come to the end of the academic year.

#### **Facing the Future**

Our bishop has asked us to prayerfully consider the future of our diocese and how we might best serve the Mission of the Church entrusted to us with the resources that we have available. Information is available to all in the church or on our parish website. The questions we are asked to ponder as individuals, families and as a parish community are:

- 1. What are the good signs for your parish that you can see?
- 2. What are the concerns you have for your parish?
- 3. Where do you see your parish as we enter the year of Jubilee (2025)?
- 4. What actions do you think you/your parish need to take?

## Please feel free to call in at the presbytery for a chat about your thoughts at one of the following days and times:

Thursday, **9 May**, **3.00** – **5.00pm** Friday, **10 May**, **2.00** – **4.00pm** Monday, **13 May**, **5.00** -**7.00pm** Thursday, **16 May**, **10.30** – **12pm** 

Alternatively, you can speak with Deacon Simon, while a quick word with either of us is perfectly acceptable or you can write or email should you prefer.

THE SACRED LITURGY	
Sunday 5 May	8.45am
Sixth Sunday of Easter	For the People
	10.00am
	Ann Tierney
Monday 6 May	10.00am
Eastertide weekday	Personal Intentions (FC)
Tuesday 7 May	10.00am
Eastertide weekday	Sheila & John Armstrong
	<b>7.00pm</b> Week 2
	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour
Wednesday 8 May	November Memorial List
Eastertide weekday	
Thursday 9 May	10.00am
The Ascension of the Lord	Denny Keenan
	7.00pm
Holyday of Obligation	Intentions of Margaret Hegarty
Friday 10 May	<b>9.00 – 9.55am</b> Exposition
Eastertide weekday	10.00am
	Private Intention
Saturday 11 May	
Eastertide weekday	<b>4.00 – 4.30pm Confessions</b>
	5.00pm
	Carol Caesar
Sunday 12 May	8.45am
Seventh Sunday of Easter	For the People
	10.00am
	Arthur Higton

**Last week's collection was £737.08** (£400.00 in offertory envelopes, £337.08 in loose). Many thanks for your continuing support.

Please pray for Malcolm Stuart *RIP*, for all who have died recently & for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

The **Piety Stall** has a selection of suitable items and cards for First Holy Communion and Confirmation.