

Sixth Sunday of Easter - 5 May 2024

It is with great pleasure that I welcome canon John Cook to our parish this weekend.

Canon John is the parish priest of Fareham and vocations promoter in the diocese. Once a month he and his team go to a parish to highlight the importance of praying and fostering vocations. I commend his words to you and ask you to actively pray and work for an increase for vocations
Canon David Hopgood

Vocation Visit: Canon John Cooke – 4/5 May

Have you asked yourself who is responsible for ‘finding’ your next priest? Is it Cardinal Vincent Nichols, is it down to Bishop Philp or maybe even a task for Canon David to plan for his own succession? It may surprise you to realise that the duty of fostering and supporting vocations lies with the whole Christian community. What do you do at the moment to foster and support vocations? Whilst it is important that each one of us comes to a realisation of our own personal vocation through God’s plan for each one of us; our call to holiness and discipleship in Jesus’ name - it is good to focus on the need for priestly vocations in our Diocese. I hope that our visit to you highlighting vocations will be memorable, that it stirs up a fresh enthusiasm in the parish for praying for vocations, for actively encouraging vocations and for being open to the possibility of exploring a God-given call. And who knows, it may be the start of a journey towards the priesthood for one of your parish members sat in the pews this weekend. We can all play a part in God’s Divine plan because the Holy Spirit works through each one of us.

Canon John will be available before and after the Masses on 4/5 May. He will be sharing a Homily reflection on Vocations asking you to pray for vocations, primarily by joining the Vocation prayer network and using their Rosary books.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Friday from 10:00 - 16:00. All welcome.

The Rosary

The Rosary is prayed after the 12:00 Mass each Friday, please join us.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at St Edward’s:

Saturdays: 11:00 - 11:30 and 17:30 - 18:00

Tuesdays: 18:00 - 18:30

Mass Times & Intentions 4 – 12 May

Sat 04 18:00 Vernon Tattersfield - RIP
Sun 05 09:30 Tim O’Riordan - **St Mark’s**
11:00 People of the Parish
Mon 06 **09.00** Tom Costello – RIP

Tue 07 18:30 Pat Quinn - RIP

Wed 08 10:00 Eucharistic Service

Ascension of the Lord

Thur 09 12:00 Valentine Tisi – RIP
18:30 Bernadine Cistercian Srs - Stroud & Hying

Fri 10 12:00 Hazel Wearing - **Funeral**

Sat 11 18:00 Ernestina Coutinho - RIP

Sun 12 09:30 People of the Parish - **St Mark’s**

11:00 Esperanza Matute – RIP

Parish Diary 4 -12 May

Sat 04 10:00 The Road to Priesthood - by Francis Ezeani
St Edwards Parish Centre
Sun 05 12:00 Tea & Coffee - P/C
12:15 Baptism Preparation – St Brigid’s Room
Tue 07 19:00 Young Adult Confirmation Group - P/C
Wed 08 18:30 Men’s Group - St Brigid’s Room
Thur 09 18:30 Mass Readings Explained - St Brigid’s Room
Sat 11 10:00 First Holy Communion Mass – plus refreshments in P/C
15:30 Confirmation Preparation –P/C
Sun 12 12:00 Tea & Coffee - P/C

Morning & Evening Prayer

Tue 07 18:00 Evening Prayer - Lady Chapel, St Edward’s

Wed 08 09:30 Morning Prayer - Lady Chapel, St Edward’s

Offertory

S/O - D/D £1,848.08
Envelopes £ 414.00
Loose £ 631.97
Clergy Training Fund £ 387.30

Fr David’s Diary

Tue 7th Department of clergy Sandhurst

Wed 8th Represent the Bishop at the ordination of the new Bishop of Clifton Diocese.

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Summer Party June 9th, 2024 – 12:00 to 15:00

Parishioners OLD and NEW are all invited to the Parish Summer Party.

Volunteers are needed in the areas below, all ages can sign up, there are jobs for everyone.

Collecting tables, **setting up**, clearing away, **helping with activities on the day**, car park organisers, **welcomers**, and many other roles to cover.

Please consider offering some of your time to support the event and help make it a great success. If you have any talents to offer or suggestions for the day these will be greatly received as this is an inclusive parish event so please make contact via email or after each Mass.

YouthCoordinator@catholicwindsor.org

St Edwards 18:00 & St Marks 9:30 Mass – Welcomers

St Edwards 11:00 Mass – Please see Triona.

Save the Date - Youth Event - Sat 14 September

There will be an event for young people aged 13 - 30! Led by, **[One Hope Project](#)**. It will be a day of worship/workshops and fun finding your faith. Starting **11:30 until 17:00 at St Edward's**.

Check out the One Hope Project here:

<https://lorettouk.charitysuite.com/events/tzdtabr>

More information and bookings will follow shortly.

Remembrance service

The Bereavement Group will host the next Remembrance service at 3pm on Sunday 12th May at St Edward's. Please come along to remember loved ones (however long ago they have died) - feel free to bring a photograph of them if you would like. The short service will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

Week of Accompanied Prayer for Windsor and Ascot - Sunday 19 May - Friday 24 May 2024

A **Week of Accompanied Prayer** may be the special retreat time just for you! Do you find yourself wanting a deeper personal relationship with Jesus? Would you like to know more about different ways of praying? Do you sometimes find it difficult to pray?

Who is this week for?

For YOU. It is like a "mini retreat in daily life" just 5 days, led by professionally trained Retreat Guides.

The week at a glance:

- Sunday 19 May at 17:00 a Welcome opening liturgy/meeting.
- Daily one-to-one meeting with your Prayer Guide, for 30 minutes only, at a convenient time for you.
- Friday 24 May at 18:30 a Closing liturgy/session at which you and all other pilgrims and guides meet and reflect on the week's experience.

Visiting Group

The visiting group is to be restarted and the purpose is to reach out to those resting Catholics within our community, and just remind them that we are thinking of them and invite them to be a full part of our community. If you would like to know more then please speak to Fr David or Lisa King on **lisafranklin730@gmail.com**

Safeguarding Training

Following new guidance from the diocese, anyone who is a Eucharistic Minister is required to complete online Safeguarding training (level 2).

This training is done online. Please register for the training at **<https://training.catholic safeguarding.org.uk>** and choose level 2. Please email the Parish Safeguarding Rep *Pat Burke* at: **safeguarding@catholicwindsor.org** to confirm completion of training. *Thank You*

Pastoral Area

St Francis of Assisi - Ascot

You can log on to their website for a copy of the newsletter:

www.stfrancisascot.co.uk

Heavenly Father,

We come before you with hearts full of faith and hope as we pray for the successful joining of our two parishes in this pastoral area.

Lord, we seek your guidance and blessings for this journey as we strengthen our faith community and fulfil your mission to evangelise and bring people closer to Jesus Christ.

May your wisdom enlighten our journey as we join together in faith, love, and unity.

In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, we offer this prayer.

Amen.

CAFOD Sudan Crisis Appeal

After a year of war, people in Sudan need urgent help to supply water, food and medicine. Please help by:

- **donating online** (**<https://cafod.org.uk/give/donate-to-emergencies/sudan-crisis-appeal>**);
- **buying a World Gift** (**<https://worldgifts.cafod.org.uk/>** or 08081400014);
- **giving in memory of a loved one** (**remembrance@cafod.org.uk** or 03033033030)
- **giving as you shop online:** (**<https://cafod.org.uk/give/other-ways-to-give>**)
- **donating/recycling unwanted items** (**<https://www.recyclingforgoodcauses.org/individual-donors/>** or 08006335323 for jewellery, currency, stamps, gadgets etc., or **<https://www.therecyclingfactory.com/cafod/>** or 08000910696 for inkjet cartridges).

World Communications Day 12 May 2024

The Second Collection for World Communications Day assists the Church to support this theme and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with people throughout the world.

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/world-communications-day-second-collection-2024>

Refurbishment of St Marks Church

Happily work on St Mark's Church has started. During this time, there will be Sunday Mass at St Mark's at 09:30. The Thursday morning Mass will be celebrated at St Edward's.

Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Hazel Wearing - Her funeral will take place at 12:00 at St Edward's on Friday 10 May.

Elisa Riccoboni – Her funeral will take place at 10:00 at St Edward's on Wednesday 15 May.

Andrew McCarthy – His funeral will take place at 10:00 at St Edward's on Thursday 16 May.