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## Newsletter 12 – 26 May 2024

Year B Weekdays Year 2

## 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of EASTER & PENTECOST

Date	Market Drayton	Intention	Newport
Saturday 11 May	Mass 9.30am	Priest's Intention	Vigil Mass 5.30pm
Sunday 12 May 7 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter	<b>Mass 9am ** note earlier time</b>	<b>James Bonner RIP</b>	Mass 9.15am
Monday 13 May <i>O Lady of Fatima</i>			
Tuesday 14 May ST MATTHIAS	Zoom Evening Prayer 7pm		Mass 10am
Wednesday 15 May <i>Feria</i>	Mass 10am Exposition & Benediction	<b>Priest's Intention</b>	Mass 10am
Thursday 16 May <i>Feria</i>			Mass 7pm
Friday 17 May <i>Feria</i>	No Rosary		Mass 10am Exposition & Benediction
Saturday 18 May <i>Feria</i>	No Mass		Vigil Mass 5.30pm
Sunday 19 May PENTECOST	Mass 11am	<b>Alfred Boe RIP</b>	Mass 9.15am
Monday 20 May Mary, Mother of the Church			
Tuesday 21 May DEDICATION OF THE CATHEDRAL	Zoom Evening Prayer 7pm		Mass 9.30 School Mass
Wednesday 22 May <i>Feria</i>	Mass 10am Exposition & Benediction	<b>Priest's Intention</b>	Mass 10am
Thursday 23 May JESUS CHRIST ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST			Mass 7pm
Friday 24 May OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS	Rosary 7pm		Mass 10am Exposition & Benediction
Saturday 25 May St Bede the Ven	Mass 9.30am	<b>Priest's Intention</b>	Vigil Mass 5.30pm
Sunday 26 May MOST HOLY TRINITY	Mass 11am	<b>People of the Parish</b>	Mass 9.15am

### Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

9.15 on Wednesday, 10am on Saturday or by appointment with Fr Lee



### 12 May - Day of Special Prayer for World Communications

The day has as its theme "Artificial Intelligence and the Wisdom of the Heart: Towards a Fully Human Communication". The pace at which AI is developing is extraordinary. The ethical questions surrounding the technology will always need amplifying – how AI impacts on how we think, the dignity of work, how we use the information, its sourcing and accuracy, global regulation – to cover just a few bases. *Catholic Bishops of England & Wales, read more at [www.cbcew.org.uk](http://www.cbcew.org.uk).*

**Readings for the 7th Sunday of Easter year B Psalter week 3**

The Entrance antiphon is said by the congregation when no hymn is sung.

**Ent antiphon** O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, Alleluia!

**1st reading** Acts 1: 15-17, 20-26. We must choose one of these to be a witness to his resurrection with us.

**Response** The Lord has set his sway in heaven. x3

**2nd reading** 1 John 4: 11-16. Anyone who lives in love lives in God, and God lives in him.

**Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia!

**Gospel** John 17: 11-19. That they may be one like us!

**Comm ant** Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia!



**Readings for Pentecost Sunday year B Psalter also week 3**

**Ent antiphon** The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, Alleluia!

**1st reading** Acts 2: 1-11. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

**Response** Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth. x3

**2nd reading** 1 Galatians 5: 16-25 or year A 1 Cor 12: 3-7, 12-13. The fruit of the Spirit.

**Acclamation** Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love, Alleluia!

**Gospel** John 15: 26-27, 16: 12-15. The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth.

**Comm ant** They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia!



**Bishop's Visitation** The Right Reverend Mark Davies, Bishop of Shrewsbury will be making his Visitation to us on Sunday 2 June, when he will be the principal Celebrant of the 11am Mass, and as it is the first Sunday of the month, he will be able to join us afterwards for Refreshments.

**Please keep the following parishioners in your prayers ...** Eddie Hickey, Freya Jackson, Fr Anthony Wild, John O'Rourke, David Smith, Niall Gallivan, Doreen Dodd, Faye Hargreaves, Mary Goodwin, Julian & Dawn Huxley, Shane McGroggan, and all sick and housebound of the parish.

**The Pope's Intentions for Prayer May:** Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel.



**Please pray for the people of Israel, Palestine, Ukraine, Russia, Morocco, Sudan, Nigeria, Uganda, Yemen and Iraq** and all those in countries affected by unrest and conflict; pray for an end to war, and for peace.

**Year of Prayer 2024** Diocese of Shrewsbury Pope Francis has asked that 2024 be a 'Year of Prayer', as a preparatory year for the Jubilee Year of 2025. Come and join our online webinar with Sycamore on **Wed 15 May 7pm-8pm**. Don't miss this opportunity to learn how to get the most out of the prayer pathway on Sycamore! Email Natalie Orefice for the link to join: [Natalie.orefice@dioceseofshrewsbury.org](mailto:Natalie.orefice@dioceseofshrewsbury.org).



**NEW LECTIONARY** The translation of the Bible used at Mass will change on the 1st Sunday of Advent 2024 from the Jerusalem Bible to the English Standard Version. CTS are now advertising the new Missals, available in October, at the price of £19.95. Order before 30 June for a 10% discount (£17.96) and if you order with the parish order, it will also be free of postage. A list is in the porch for you to sign up for your copy.

**TODAY - 12 May Market Drayton 10km Run Sponsorship** Deacon Wilf McSherry will be again running the Market Drayton 10km race. Any funds raised will be divided equally between Myeloma UK and Church Funds. There is a form in the Church Porch if you would like to donate – Thank You!



**Open Garden** Brook House, Meretown, Newport TF10 8BX Saturday 18 May 2-5pm, admission £5 in aid of All Saints Church, Forton and St Francis Malawi Trust. Limited wheelchair access. Parking opposite church. No dogs.

A huge **THANK YOU** to all who made our first Sunday **Refreshments** such a success. We invite His Grace the Bishop to join us on Sunday 2 June. Thank you also to the **Cleaners** and **Gardeners** who worked so hard.



<b>Offertory</b>	05.05.24	Loose plate £181.20	Envelopes £72.00	Standing Orders £181.06	Total £362.26	<b>Thank you!</b>
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