

Mass Times, Services and Intentions

Saturday 11th May Weekday of Easter

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	People of the Parish
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Sunday 12th May 7th Sunday of Easter

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Paul Unsworth Anniversary
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Conleth Rooney

Tuesday 14th May Feast of St Matthias, Apostle

Sacred Heart	12.00pm	Mass	Special Intention
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Wednesday 15th May Our Lady of Fatima

St Josephs	12.00pm	Mass	Mary Gibbon Birthday Memorial
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Thursday 16th May Weekday of Easter

Sacred Heart	10.00am	Mass	Fr Barry McAlister
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Friday 17th May Weekday of Easter

St Joseph's	12.00pm	Funeral Mass	Winifred Betsy Eccles
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Saturday 18th May Weekday of Easter

St Joseph's	4.30pm	Mass	Thanksgiving to St Martha
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Sunday 19th May Pentecost Sunday

St Joseph's	9.30am	Mass	Terry & John Donohue
Sacred Heart	11.00am	Mass	Thanksgiving (HT)
St Joseph's	12.30pm	Baptisms	Ole Ryan Hennifer

**Newsletter for the Parish of Saint Edmund Arrowsmith
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**12th May 2024
Seventh Sunday of Easter**

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Food for thought

Do you ever wonder how many people have walked this earth since the human race began? Many people have passed by and been unknown to most of the world - yet none have passed through this life unnoticed by God, and no one has passed through life without leaving their mark. In today's first reading we hear how the first disciples wanted to make their mark on the world. Peter spoke to the congregation about how to share what must have seemed like a difficult ministry. As Christians we too share in that same ministry. It will be difficult at times, just as it was for the first disciples, but we are reminded in today's Gospel of the wonderful prayer of protection for us from the Lord himself... "Father, I am not asking you to remove them from the world, but to protect them from the evil one". St John tells us in the second reading that the Lord lets us share His Spirit. Are we open to the Holy Spirit -or are we closed and fearful? We pray for one another, that as we journey through life, we and the Church throughout the world may be a shining light in the darkest times, bringing help and comfort to all those in need. As we approach Pentecost let's ponder on... "When Jesus sends you out into the world each day, where are the places you go to and how can you evangelise?"

Praise Him!

Recently Deceased

We pray for those whose have died especially,
Winifred Betsy Eccles,
Dominick Noone
and those whose anniversary occurs at this time, may the peace of our risen Lord Jesus enfold us all.

Sick and Housebound

We hold in prayer all who are sick in body, mind or spirit and those who care for them:

Vera Seventi,
Carol Greenhalgh,
Mary Griffin
Sean Fleming,
Craig Hardman,
Kitty Jones,
Doreen Hayes,
Eileen Hynes
Sr. Megan
Nellie Flynn
Mary Barnes
Archbishop Patrick Kelly
Sandra Smith
James Allen
Kathleen Holland
John Mulligan
Anthony Michael
Marian Hindley
Chris Hallinan
Bernice Ganley
Pauline Woods
Eileen Midgley
John Forde

May the risen Lord embrace them with healing love.

Pope Francis

May Prayer Intention For the Formation of Men and Women Religious and Seminarians

We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Fr. Kieran is available 3.45—4.15 before the 4.30pm Mass at St Joseph's Church.

Mothers' Prayers

Mothers' Prayers will be meeting in St Joseph's Presbytery on Monday 13th May at 10.30am. All mothers and grandmothers are welcome.

The Second Collection this weekend: World Communications Day.

Today is World Communications Day. Spreading the Good News lies at the heart of our Mission as Catholics. In today's world we are increasingly using the media to put forward our message of hope. The Bishops of England and Wales set us the Catholic Communication's Network to assist them in fulfilling this aim.

Twelve Apostles Church and Presbytery

I was informed by the archdiocese this week that Twelve Apostles Church and Presbytery has now been sold. There are several fees to be deducted from the actual price of the sale after which will then be paid into the Parish Account.

The Month of May

Mary's sorrows and joys, her hopes for her child and husband, and her quiet endurance ring true to the experience of families today, that's why she is easy to identify with. Her motherly love and courage are seen at the foot of the cross, where she teaches us the virtue of waiting even when everything appears meaningless.

What can we learn from Mary?

She speaks little but powerfully

"Do whatever he tells you." (John 2:5)

She listens a lot

Mary treasured up all these things, pondering them in her heart.

She cherishes the word of God

'I am the handmaid of the Lord; let it done to me according to your word.'
(Luke 1:38)

The Rosary will be prayed after the midday Mass on Tuesday and Wednesday by the Legion of Mary during the month of May.

Visiting the Sick and Housebound

If you would like Fr. Kieran to visit a family member who is sick and housebound, please speak to him or contact the Parish Office and a visit will be arranged.

Children's Corner

What do you get if you cross a
rabbit with a flea?
Bugs bunny!

What snakes are good a sums?
Adders!



Job Vacancy

Saint Edmund Arrowsmith Catholic Academy, Whiston are looking to appoint a Lay Chaplain.

Details can be found at www.pfcmat.org/Lay-Chaplain.
Deadline for applications is Wednesday 22nd May at noon.

Sanctuary Lamps

This week our Sanctuary Lamp will shine at

Sacred Heart Church:

Peace in The Holy Land

and at St Joseph's Church:

Aid Agencies working in danger