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Newsletter for Sunday 24th May 2015

Psalter Week 1

PENTECOST

This weekend we are celebrating a feast that is both new and old. It's interesting to remember that *Pentecost* dates back to the time of the Exodus when God said to his chosen people that three times a year a festival was to be celebrated. One of those three was the Feast which marked the end of the *wheat harvest*, and this was to be held *50 days* after The Passover. Pentecost also came to commemorate the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai. On that particular occasion there was a great *theophany*, a great manifestation of God, and God's voice, accompanied by flames of fire, could be heard addressing the assembled people with **The Law** which all mankind was to observe.

Today, into our often-times confused and anarchic world, where so many people are "doing their own thing" and "going their own ways", we are celebrating the Spirit's power to bring us together. We are celebrating the fact that God's Spirit is being poured into all of us, without distinction, making us equal beneficiaries of God's divine life. And this is what makes us lift up our hands and hearts and rejoice and celebrate!

Fr Philip Sainter

MASS INTENTIONS: It is a wonderful act of charity to have a Mass offered for someone and to place that person at the heart of the greatest prayer of the Church, imploring the grace of God for them. It is a wonderful act of faith to have a Mass offered for someone, as through the prayer of the Mass we place those living or dead, be they our loved ones or others, at the heart of God in communion with Christ and His Church. The graces that flow from the Mass are not simply for ourselves, so, please consider others you may wish to have Mass offered for. Mass Intentions can be said for any occasion - for an anniversary, a birthday, for someone who is ill or about to undergo an operation, for someone about to be married or for a loved one who is deceased. The Bishop has set a guideline of £10 as an appropriate offering, but of course every person should give only what they feel they can afford. Once every week, you will see that Mass is offered 'for all parishioners' - the parish priest is obliged to say one Mass each Sunday and Holy Day of Obligation for those entrusted to him.

BISHOP-ELECT OF NOTTINGHAM:

St. Mary's welcomes the news that Pope Francis has appointed **Monsignor Patrick M'Kinney**, a priest of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, as tenth Bishop of Nottingham. He will become Bishop when he is ordained to the episcopate by Cardinal Vincent Nichols in St Barnabas' Cathedral on **Friday 3rd July 2015** in succession to The Most Reverend Malcolm McMahon OP, Archbishop of Liverpool, who was Bishop of Nottingham from 2000 – 2014.

FATHER SIMON is taking part in the Leicester Hospitals Charity 'Foxtrot' Walk and is looking for sponsors. You will find his sponsorship form and more information about the charity at the back of church.

Point to Ponder: There is a time for everything, and everything on earth has its special season (*Ecclesiastes 3:1*)

PLEASE PRAY FOR those who are sick: Jean Hooper, John Newman, David Taylor, Sr. Mary Joan Ozorio, Elaine Smith, Michael Smith, David Hart, Maria Sainter, Eddie Hamilton, Arthur Clarke, Katie Mercer, Hannah Bechler, Rosinah, Frank Chatonda, Beverley Tomlin, Alan and Judith Creighton, Moyna McGlynn, Anne Hickman, Stephen Coultas, Jane Moss, Mark, Jean Hammerton and John Tucker.

LAST WEEK'S FINANCE	RECENT FINANCE & FUNDRAISING
First collection: £ 713	
Standing orders: £ 503	<i>Thank you</i>

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

<u>Sat</u>	5.30- 6pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request
	<u>Vigil Mass for Pentecost</u>	
24 th	6.00pm	Marion Scrivens RIP
<u>Sun</u>	<u>PENTECOST (SOLEMNITY) (One Mass only on this day)</u>	
	11.30-12 noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation + on request
	12.00 noon	All Parishioners and Phyllis Helen Marion Harrison RIP Anniversary
25 th	6.00pm	NO Eucharistic Adoration
<u>Mon</u>	26 th	9.15am Monica Davidson RIP
<u>Tues</u>	27 th	9.15am David Willis - Intention 4.30pm Reception of Stan Trojan RIP
<u>Wed</u>	<u>St. Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop (Feast)</u>	
28 th	9.15am	Keith Newton RIP (Anniversary)
	11.00am	Requiem Mass for Stan Trojan RIP
<u>Thurs</u>	29 th	9.15am NO MASS
<u>Fri</u>	30 th	6.00pm Rocco Acierno RIP
<u>Sat</u>	9.15am	For vocations to the Rosminian Order
	12 noon	Sacrament of Reconciliation for all First Holy Communion Candidates
	1.30-4.00pm	Polish Community First Holy Communion Rehearsal
	<u>Vigil Mass for The Most Holy Trinity</u>	
	6.00pm	Marion Scrivens RIP

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

<u>Tues</u>	26 th	Decorating work begins in the library 5.10pm Marriage Preparation class – Fr Philip 7.25pm Scripture & Tradition – Front Room
<u>Wed</u>	27 th	2.00-4.00pm Senior Citizens' Club – Church Hall 7.30pm HOPE – Front Room
<u>Thurs</u>	28 th	9.00 – 3.30pm Diocesan Day for Religious - Newark
<u>Fri</u>	29 th	Pastoral meetings in Northampton
<u>Sat</u>	30 th	12.00 noon First Holy Communion Candidates' Confessions

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PLEASE PRAY for those who have recently died: Stan Trojan **May he rest in peace.**

those whose anniversaries occur at this time: Phyllis Harrison, Keith Newton, Rocco Acierno, Winnie Culley, Antonino Finocchio, Kath McConnell, Edward Strong, Frank Brown, George Hayes, Hilda Petticrew, Maria Dandy, Anthony Heath and Sr. Mary Agatha O'Flaherty

THE MONTH OF MAY As Pope Paul VI declared, 'in this month moving tribute of faith and love is given by Catholics in every part of the world to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance'. (Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May). Please think of praying your Rosary this month.

ROSMINI CENTRE (LE7 4SJ): Saturday 30th May - Day of Prayer for Intergeneration Healing Mass, 'Healing of Family Tree' – details on Rosmini Centre website. Please telephone 01509 813078 or email rosminicentreinfo@gmail.com. Donations appreciated to cover costs and stipends.

GIFT AID: New boxed sets of numbered envelopes are available at all three main Masses this weekend, 23rd/24th May. Please remember to collect your box. Those using monthly standing orders will receive their annual letter in the usual way. St Mary's total Gift Aided income for the year 2014/15 exceeded £55,000 which is bringing in tax refunds from HMRC of over £13,000. **Any member of our congregation** currently paying tax on their income could easily join this effective (and painless) form of fundraising. Please help to boost our income by completing one of the yellow forms at the back of church and drop it into the church post box. Thank you. *Geoff Mercer*

PARISH VOICE: The Summer Issue of the 'Parish Voice' is due out in July. We would be grateful for any articles for the magazine, opinions, photos, updates, travel, recipes, etc.. We welcome items from all age groups, from parishioners or anyone else interested in making a contribution.

A SALE of marmalades, jams, lemon curd and cakes, organised by the UCM, will take place after 9am and 11am Masses on **Sunday 31st May** in aid of the purchase of replacement Sacred Vessels at St. Mary's.

KWEDIBOMA TALENT CHALLENGE CAR WASH: Next quality car wash will be on **Saturday 30th May.** 10am – 12.30pm Offers of help gratefully accepted! Still only £3!

INAUGURAL RECITAL on the New Chapel Organ performed by Mr Edward McCall, Director of Music & Ratcliffe College Music Scholars: **Wednesday 10th June,** 7.30pm. Admission free. Venue: Ratcliffe College, Fosse Way, Ratcliffe on the Wreake, LE7 4SG.

YOUTH GROUP END OF TERM PARTY! **Friday 19th June,** 4 - 6.30pm, in the parish hall. All welcome! Barbecue and karaoke night! £5 each please, to cover the cost of the food, but just turn up! Liz 07980 021916. Bring a friend :)

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM: **21st June - only a few places left -** coach leaving at 7.30am from St Wilfrid's in Coalville and departing from Walsingham at 6pm. £10 per person /£25 for a family group. If you'd like to go, phone Fr David on 01530 832098 or email stwilfspriest@gmail.com.

UNCLAIMED RAFFLE PRIZES: If you are the holder of the following raffle tickets bought at the Lourdes Fund sale, please collect your prize from the office: pink & white ticket numbers **456-460**, white ticket numbers **421-425**.