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More FHCs this weekend,
 Confirmation next weekend - congratulations to all!

7th Sunday of Easter : (Year B) 16th May 2021

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St Teresa's church is monitored by CCTV cameras 24 hours a day. Live streaming of all services takes place at St Teresa's and can be viewed at www.churchservices.tv/borehamwood or through the link on our website

FIRE SAFETY NOTICE: If anyone has difficulty in hearing, walking or anything else that may slow down safe exit in the event of a fire, please let us know before the service starts, so that we can arrange for assistance for you.

Saturday 15th May	Vigil: 7th Sunday	6pm	Mary & Ann Cunningham RIP (Ann)
Sunday 16th May	7th Sunday	8.30am	Arthur De Silva RIP
	of Easter	10am	Mick Rooney RIP
Monday 17th May	Easter Feria	9.15am	Bernadette & Joseph (Thanksgiving Int)
Tuesday 18th May	Easter Feria	9.15am	Bernadette & Stanley Samaranayake RIP
Wednesday 19th May	No Mass		
Thursday 20th May	Easter Feria	9.15am	Velga & Harry Birrell RIP
Friday 21st May	Easter Feria	9.15am	Jerry Singh RIP (Ann)
Saturday 22nd May	Vigil: Pentecost	6pm	Selvanayagam Bastiampillai RIP (Ann)

Intentions are now booked until September - please leave plenty of time if you want a special date
Confessions 5pm-5.40pm Saturdays in the Lady Chapel at St Teresa's - no booking necessary

Liturgy of the Word: 16th May 2021

Entrance 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.
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord has set his sway in heaven.
Gospel 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!
Next week; Acts 2:1-11, Psalm 103:1,24,29-31,34 refv30,1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13, John 20:19-23

Fr. Dominic writes:

"You are my friends"

In the middle years of the nineteenth century a clergyman named Charles Kingsley was the personal chaplain to Queen Victoria. He was a man she greatly admired. The story is told that one day she asked him the secret of his beautiful life. To which he replied, "I had a friend." Most of us would not think of describing our lives as beautiful. We would probably be embarrassed if someone else should do so. But we would doubtless agree with Charles Kingsley that whatever beauty there is within us is largely attributable to our friends. People who believed in us and cared about us helped to bring out the best that there was in us. Today's Gospel reading tells of the time when Jesus described his relationship with his disciples as a friendship. It was the night before his death. He has already eaten his last meal. With the cross only hours away he said "There is no greater love than this: to lay down one's life for one's friends." Then he became more personal and specific; saying to his disciples, "You are my friends." So even in the life of Our Lord, friendship played a positive role. It was a part of the strength that enabled him to face the cross with unflinching courage and uncompromised honour.

Some of you here are married or in long term relationships. You have many things in common. You share the same residence. You have joint banking. You have children that together you brought into the world. But are you building or have built a friendship? No marriage or partnership is all that it can be until it has grown into a friendship. For those of you who are parents you play many parts; provider, protector, playmate, nurse, disciplinarian. Each of those functions is a necessary part of child rearing. But the overall objective is a friendship. Fortunate is the person who can say, "My Father, My Mother, my son, my daughter is one of my best friends"

Friendship will always demand sacrifice if it is to be mutual. To have a friend you must always be a friend.

The Financials....

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,106

Last week's Offertory

Envelopes £ 512

Loose Plate £ 624.49

Contactless donations £ 135

Virgin Money Donations via website £ 50

Total weekly income for this week £1321.49



LOTS OF NEW YEAR OFFERTORY ENVELOPES STILL TO BE COLLECTED PLEASE! Please ask a Steward for yours or call in at the Parish Office. For GDPR reasons, we are not allowed to leave these out in the church.



Why not change the way you donate?

Ever thought about donating regularly by way of a standing order? You won't need that Sunday scrabble for cash for the plate or for the fiddly envelopes and once set up you can forget about it! All you need to do is fill in a form, return it to us & let us do the rest. Having less cash in the church is much safer for us all. Contact us if you would like to make the change!! Of course we have our **new contactless machine** at St Teresa's but - you have to be here in person! Don't forget to use our **Virgin Money Giving**, which can be accessed via their site or by clicking on the button on our website. **Look at the "About us" page on the website & you will see**  **moneygiving**

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Dates for your diary - Oh yes! Blow off the cobwebs from the calendar that you bought in a burst of optimism last year, we are arranging events again (& saying a lot of prayers!)

Sunday 11th July: 2pm Cemetery Mass at Allum Lane.

Saturday 2nd October: The return of the Russian Choir.

Sunday 3rd October: Our International Lunch returns.

Saturday 9th October: 2pm Service for the blessing of pets

Tuesday 2nd November: 7.30pm Mass of Remembrance for all those Parishioners who have died over the past 2 years, especially those during lockdown for whom we could not have a proper memorial at the time.

Sunday 7th November: Blessing of the Graves at Allum Lane



If you would like, or know someone who would like, an electronic, postal or large print version of this newsletter, please call us on 0208 953 1294, or email: suepartington@rcdow.org.uk

Protecting your privacy: Any personal details that you provide to this parish, (name, address, email, telephone number etc.) will be held on file & stored on the parish computer securely. If applicable, your details will also be entered into the appropriate Sacramental Register. For Volunteers groups, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers etc., your details will be shared with other group members in this parish to enable you to arrange cover etc. If you do not wish your details to be shared, please let the Parish Office know **You can read our full privacy policy on rcdow.org.uk/diocese/privacy-policy**



Confirmation 2021 :Zoom call Thursday 20th May 6.30pm when Fr Dominic will go through your submissions and answer any queries you may have. Please make sure that you are up to date.



First Holy Communion 2021. This weekend the rest of our young parishioners will be making their First holy Communion, (socially distanced of course!) Please remember them in your prayers as they take the next step along their journey of Faith. It has been a strange course this year but they have engaged with the teaching online & once we can, we will have a parish celebration of such an important event.



BAPTISMS: We can now resume our separate Saturday afternoon baptisms. If you would like your child to be baptised, please complete the registration form over the website & Sue will get in touch once she receives it. There are currently restrictions on 30 people maximum attending, then from 21st June, there are no restrictions on numbers, assuming that everything goes to plan!



St Richard Reynolds Primary School are recruiting for a KS2 Primary School Teacher. Please visit our website for more info. [:https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/our-college/work-at-srr](https://www.strichardreynolds.org.uk/our-college/work-at-srr) or contact recruitment@srrcc.org.uk



Established for over 20 years in Borehamwood, Hertsmeire Academy of Dance & Performing Arts are running their fun classes regularly **at St Teresa's church hall for ages 3 to adults.** Classes are taught by professionally trained and highly qualified teachers to ensure safe practices. Classes include Classical Ballet, Modern, Jazz, Contemporary, Musical Theatre, Pilates, Tap and much more. Students can take academically recognised exams with the prestigious Royal Academy of Dance, ISTD and Trinity London, they can take part in shows and community events or even study performing as a career and join the long list of successful students from the school. Whatever the reason, the performing arts will give children important life skills as well as being fun and creative. Scholarships are also available. So, if you or your child love to dance or perform and want to be inspired, book a trial at www.inspiringherts.com / 02082073980



St Teresa's Catholic Primary School is looking for new governors to help in driving forward the continuous improvement of the school, could you help? Training and support is provided. If you are interested please contact the school office for more information admin@stteresas.herts.sch.uk or 020 8953 3753



Borehamwood Foodbank are looking for a Part Time Distribution Team Manager; 16 hours per week, Monday 11am - 4pm, Thursday 9am - 2pm and 6 hours at a time and location to suit the nature of the work. Rate of Pay: £ 12.00 per hour. The appointed person will be responsible for coordinating the many activities of the Borehamwood Foodbank, such as distribution of food, communicating with voucher holders, volunteers, and partner agencies. Good communication and computer skills are required. For an application pack, please contact us below. chair@borehamwood.foodbank.org.uk Closing Date: 22nd May 2021, interview Dates: 26th and 27th May 2021