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May is First Holy Communion Month -  
 congratulations to all !

### Sixth Sunday of Easter : 22nd May 2022 (Year C)

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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](http://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 21st May	Vigil: 6th Sunday	6pm (SSJFTM)	Velga & Harry Birrell RIP (Ann)
Sunday 22nd May	6th Sunday of Easter	8.30am (SSJFTM) 10am (St T) Noon (St T)	Charles Alele Adibos RIP Jerry Singh RIP (Ann) All our FHC Children
Monday 23rd May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Reynaldo Cachuela RIP
Tuesday 24th May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Thanksgiving for answered prayers
Wednesday 25th May	No Mass Today		
<b>Thursday 26th May</b>	<b>The Ascension</b>	<b>7am (St T)</b> <b>9.15am (St T)</b> <b>7.30pm (SSJFTM)</b>	<b>Gunther Apsitis RIP</b> <b>Alan Thompson RIP</b> <b>The People of Ukraine</b>
Friday 27th May	St Augustine	9.15am (St T)	Michael Brady RIP
Saturday 28th May	Vigil: 7th Sunday	6pm (SSJFTM)	Kieran Roche (Int)
<b>Confessions Saturday weekly - 11am-11.40am at St Teresa's &amp; 5pm-5.40pm at SSJFTM</b>			

#### Liturgy of the Word

##### Entrance Antiphon:

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;  
 proclaim to the ends of the earth:  
 The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

##### Responsorial Psalm:

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

##### Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus said: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him, and we shall come to him" Alleluia.

##### Next week's Readings:

Acts 7:55-60, Psalm 96:1-2,6-7,9 R vv 1,9, Apocalypse 22;12-14,16-17,20  
 John 17: 20-26

Fr John writes:

"It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves. . ." (Acts 15:28)

The apostles at Pentecost, by the power of the Holy Spirit were transformed into fearless proclaimers of the Gospel. Jesus in his farewell address to his disciples promised that the Holy Spirit would be sent to guide them into all truth (John 16). The Spirit would fulfil Jesus' promise to be with his followers until the end of the world.

In Acts, Peter and the apostles under the direct influence of the Holy Spirit found themselves able to work miracles, to preach powerfully and to convert. As we see in our first reading today, they were so confident that the Spirit was directly at work in them that they considered their decision made on the requirements for gentile converts, had divine authority.

The Spirit continued to sustain the early Church through persecution and the number of believers grew as they saw the powerful witness of martyrdom. The Holy Spirit is always at work in the mission of the Church, guiding the Pope and Bishops, successors of Peter and the apostles. The same Spirit has guided the Councils of the Church down the ages and inspired its great theologians and thinkers from Athanasius and Augustine down to Oscar Romero. The Spirit has inspired holy women and men to bear witness to the Good News by consecrating their lives to works of charity for the poor and vulnerable. The Spirit empowers the Church's mission to promote peace and social justice, to foster good stewardship of the world's resources.

Each one of us baptised by water and the Spirit, sealed by the sacrament of confirmation, are charged with the Church's missionary work.

Come Holy Spirit and like the first apostles, fill our hearts with the fire of your zeal, wisdom and love. Show us what you want us to do and strengthen our commitment to spread the Gospel.

Monthly Standing Orders: £3,106

Last two weekend's Offertory

Envelopes £ 505.17

Loose Plate £ 594.22

Contactless donations £ 772

**Total for weekends 8th & 15th May £ 1,871..39**



Some Planned Giving envelopes are still in St Teresa's awaiting collection. If you would like to regularly donate but don't want that last minute scramble for cash, why not think about donating by Standing Order? All you need to do is pick up a standing order mandate & complete & return to the Parish Office, we'll do the rest for you!



**BAPTISMS:** Our baptisms take place on a Saturday afternoon, at either Noon, 1pm or 2pm, with a Rite of Welcome at your usual Mass the weekend before. They are individual ceremonies. If you would like your child to be baptised, please complete the registration form over the website (under Sacraments) & Sue will get in touch once she receives it. You can have up to four Godparents - no more as we don't have space in the register! - one of whom must be a practising Catholic. We are not currently holding preparation courses but we will send you a link to a short video course.



**Confirmation:** Please don't forget the rehearsals for Candidates & parents (Sponsors optional) is Tuesday 24th May at St Teresa's at 6pm.



**For the past two Covid years, we have been holding our First Holy Communion in a different way** - aside from a usual weekend Mass. This has proved to be very popular and so we are doing the same this year. These will take place at St Teresa's in slots during **the afternoons of 14th & 21st May**. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers as they begin their journey to be fully active members of our community. The services will all be Live Streamed in the usual way.



**Premises Updates:** Thank you for your kind donations to the Building Contingency Fund, it really makes a difference as I'm sure you realise how much upkeep is needed in maintaining the church sites. Ever hopeful, we have left envelopes for the fund in both churches, if you are able, please do pick up an envelope and donate, if you Gift Aid your donation - even better! You can also give by bank transfer (40 05 20 91095714 WRCDT St Teresa). You can also contactless a donation, just let us know if you do, to make sure that we allocate it to the correct pot! We know that times are tough so if you can't help, please don't worry.

**Parish Sunday Lunches are back - the first one in over two years!! Keep the 12th June free - lists will be in the church shortly.**



People go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.' Clearly the currently global food system is not working. But as Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called Fix the Food System. See [www.cafod.org.uk/food](http://www.cafod.org.uk/food) for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our Fix the Food System: a 7-station journey resource.



**Permanent Diaconate - 'Come & See' - 21st May 2022.** The Permanent Deacon is a man who serves the Church through ministry of Word, Altar and Charity, under the direction of the Bishop and Priest. For men who may be interested in learning more about the Permanent Diaconate, they are invited to a 'Come & See' morning, Saturday 21st May, 10am - 12noon at Church of The Guardian Angels, 377 Mile End Road, E3 4QS. For further information please contact Deacon Adrian Cullen [adriancullen@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:adriancullen@rcdow.org.uk) or 07961 594725. See also <https://rcdow.org.uk/vocations/permanent-diaconate/>



**Forthcoming Funeral Masses:** 9.15am Mass will be replaced by the Funeral Masses on these days.  
**Geraldine Twomey** 6th June 10.30am St T  
**Frank Campbell** 7th June 10am St T  
May they rest in peace & rise in glory

## PEACE HOSPICE CARE SUPPORT HUB



Every two weeks on Tuesdays

10.30am - 11.30am

**Your Community Hub**  
5 Leeming Road,  
Borehamwood, WD6 4EB



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**Thursday 2 June**  
Beacon Lighting  
8pm to 9.45pm  
(Beacon Lighting at 9.35pm)

Woodcock Hill Village Green  
Carrington Avenue  
Borehamwood, WD6 2HA  
Entertainment from Borehamwood Brass Band and a specially commissioned piece performed by George McGregor.

**Sunday 5 June**  
Party in the Park  
12pm to 5pm

Meadow Park, Meadow Road  
Borehamwood, Hertfordshire  
WD6 1TL  
Free Live Music, Free Kids Rides, Free Tea, Coffee, and Cold Drinks.  
Bring Your Own Picnic Chairs and Blankets.

Rotary Club of The Station of Epsom and Borehamwood