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21st May 2023: Sixth Sunday of Easter

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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 SS John Fisher & Thomas More. These 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.



Services for the forthcoming week

Saturday 20th May	Vigil: 7th Sunday	6pm (SSJFTM)	Kathleen & George Parsons RIP
Sunday 21st May	7th Sunday of Easter	8.30am (SSJFTM)	Velga & Harry Birrell RIP (Ann)
		10am (St T)	Jerry & Paul Singh RIP
		Noon (St T)	Mary Carter RIP
Monday 22nd May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Anna & Val Kalnins RIP (Bday)
Tuesday 23rd May	Easter Feria	9.15am (St T)	Reynaldo Cachuela RIP
Wednesday 24th May	No Mass		
Thursday 25th May	St Bede	9.15am (St T)	Ann McHale (Int)
Friday 26th May	St Philip Neri	9.15am (St T)	Michael Brady RIP
Saturday 28th May	Vigil: PENTECOST	6pm (SSJFTM)	Guthrie Apsitis & Alan Thompson RIP (Ann)

Mass Intentions now booked through until August 2023
Confessions Saturdays 10am-10.40am St Teresa's & 5pm-5.40pm SSJFTM

Liturgy of the Word - 21st May 2023

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:	I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living.
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 Sunday Readings:	Acts 2:1-11, Psalm 103:1,24,29-31,34, R.cfv30, 1 Corinthians 12;3-7,12-13, John 20: 19-23

Fr Dominic writes: We are called to follow Jesus in the world.

We are called to be in the world not on some ideal, antiseptic island. Over the centuries, some Christians felt that the world was so corrupt that the only solution was to flee into the desert to leave everything behind. That was never a perfect solution because the influence of the world was also inside them. So the spiritual struggle of the soul continued on for them even in the desert.

We are called to follow Jesus not somewhere beyond the stars or only in our heart but in the world, to be faithful in an unfaithful world. We are not to be of the world.

In our world today much of our programming on television and in our culture is morally corrupt. Marriage, pregnancy, religion, sexuality, the elderly, minorities and every virtue is seen as fair game for ridicule. Our moral immune system is being degraded, broken down slowly through ridicule and humour. We are becoming morally desensitised, spiritually neutered, not all at once but bit by bit.

But are called to be in the world, to be light and salt. We exercise our Christian mission when we engage in conversation with fellow workers, when we are concerned about morality in the media, when we work to defend the sanctity of life, when we work to heal divisions in our society, when we stand for what is fair, when we promote the work of the Church in reaching out to the poor. The greatest, most difficult, most loving service we can give to this troubled, anxious and divided world of ours is to be candidly, courageously, and unmistakably Christian.: in the world but not of the world but for the world.

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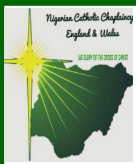
Offertory for the last fortnight

Envelopes £ 546.10

Loose Plate £ 587.52

Contactless donations £ 764.50

Total for weekends of 7th & 14th May £ 1898.12



THE NIGERIAN CATHOLIC CHAPLAINCY (Mill Hill Mass Centre) invites you to join them on the **4TH SUNDAY OF EVERY MONTH @ 2pm. VENUE: Sacred Heart & Mary Immaculate (RC) Church, 2 Flower Lane, Mill Hill, London, NW7 2J**

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Pact (Prison Advice & Care Trust), the national Catholic prisons charity has a vacancy for a part-time Volunteer Coordinator, providing support in the London courts and in the community.

Working Hours = 30 hours, Monday to Friday

Location = Home based (London area)

Contract = Part time / Permanent

Salary = £22,800 per annum (£20,400 basic + £2,400 market supplement)

If you understand working with vulnerable adults in a challenging environment, we would like to hear from you. Find out more here: <https://bit.ly/3LLdttK> Closing date: 30/05/23



Still scrabbling around for cash for the Offertory? Keep forgetting to bring your envelopes?, why not think about donating by Standing Order? All you need to do is pick up a standing order mandate & complete & return to us.



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. You will also need to attend a Baptism Preparation Course - you will be asked to book via the website when you submit your registration. **2023 courses : 27th May, 24th June & 29th July. All 3.30pm-4.30pm at St Teresa's Church**

Can you help? One of elderly parishioners is looking for help with her garden, probably just one hour a fortnight to keep the grass mowed and the garden looking tidy. Please call the parish office if you can help & we will put you in touch to discuss, times and rates.

2025 is our Centenary Year

Meeting 8pm 1st June St Teresa's Parish Centre

Our plan is to have the churches redecorated by then and looking their best. We are looking at improving the lighting and have already made a start with replacing St Teresa's inner doors to make funerals easier. Is there anything that you think we should be doing or do we just concentrate on marking the occasion?

We will also need to set up a Fund Raising Committee and want volunteers. Can you help? What do you think? Come along to the meeting, all welcome.



PEACE HOSPICE CARE SUPPORT HUB



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