

## ST. LAWRENCE OF CANTERBURY R C CHURCH NEWSLETTER

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A : READINGS FOR THE MASS ON SUNDAY ON PAGE 265

<b>Saturday 2nd May</b> 6.30pm	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter Year A</b> Bobby Gray RIP	
<b>Sunday 3rd May</b> 8.30am	<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter Year A</b> People of the Parish	Repository open after Mass
10.00am	Margaret Flahive RIP	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Martin Pender on the First Anniversary of his death, RIP	
<b>Monday 4th May</b> 9.30am	<b>The English Martyrs, Feast</b> Violet Thompson RIP	2.30 pm Parish Prayer Group
<b>Tuesday 5th May</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria</b> Patrick Grant RIP	Divine Mercy Devotion and Rosary after Mass
<b>Wednesday 6th May</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria</b> Alan Armfield RIP	
<b>Thursday 7th May</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria</b> David Grace RIP	
<b>Friday 8th May</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria</b> Rose Metaxas RIP	
<b>Saturday 9th May</b> 9.30am	<b>Feria</b> Selwyn Pereira – In thanksgiving for his 60th birthday Elizabeth Perez RIP	8.45am Morning Prayer
6.30pm	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter Year A</b> Emanuel Anthony Pillai RIP	
<b>Sunday 10th May</b> 8.30am	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter Year A</b> Janet Elise Griffith RIP	
10.00am	Mary Boryczka RIP	Children's Liturgy
11.30am	Menino and Paul Pinto RIP	

Collection	26th April 2026	Second Collection	
Not Gift aided	£493.76	This week	Next week
Gift Aided	£273.10	None	None
Total	£766.86		
Monthly Standing Order	£4125		

The Sacrament of Penance - Saturday mornings 11am-12noon and before Mass on Saturday evening or by arrangement.

## HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

### That everyone might have food

Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

**PRAYER REQUESTS** - If you would like to request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish newsletter, please send an email to: [regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk)

**PLEASE PRAY FOR** - Those who have died recently: Alan Armfield, and those who are in poor health: Ian Collins, Mary Lewis and Michael Loftus, Alfie Cappuccio and Teresa Seath.

**HAIL HOLY QUEEN** Hail, holy Queen, mother of mercy, hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve. To thee do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, O most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy toward us, and after this exile show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.  
**V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.**  
**R. That we may be worthy of the promises of Christ.**

### Regina caeli

V. Regina caeli, laetare, alleluia.  
R. Quia quem meruisti portare, alleluia.  
V. Resurrexit, sicut dixit, alleluia.  
R. Ora pro nobis Deum, alleluia.

**MARIST DAY AT WALSINGHAM** will take place on Saturday, 4 July, with Bishop Tom Burns, sm, the main celebrant. If there is sufficient interest, a mini-bus will be hired, as in previous years. Current total stands at 16. Cost will be in the region of £35-£40. All enquiries to Tom, 07719 338375.

**PARISH FILM NIGHT** - Friday 8th May. All are welcome to join in our next film night. We meet from 7pm for social time and refreshments (provided by us), and the film starts at 7.30. Please see poster at the back of the church for details.

**Greenwich Concert Band** Spring Spectacular, Music Director Amy Hagerty, will take place on Saturday 9 May at 7.30pm at Holy Trinity Church, 59 South End Crescent, Eltham SE9 2SD. Tickets £12/£8 available at [www.ticketsource.co.uk/gcb](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/gcb). In aid of ending homelessness in South East London.

**REFRESHMENTS AND REPOSITORY – ALL WELCOME**  
Join us every Sunday for refreshments in the hall after both the 8:30am and 10:00am Masses. The repository will also be open during this time. Holy Communion and Confirmation cards are now available.

### 100 CLUB

Amount	February	March	April
£75	M. Sharkey	M. Lodwig	J. Martin
£50	S. Martyn	A. Baldwin	M. Kadi
£25	M. Cabral	J. Scott	M. Hawes
£10	G. Grant	E. Armfield	S. Washer

## ROSARY FOR LIFE

Archbishop John Wilson is calling on all of us to join him in praying the Rosary for Life this May (Month of Mary). Together, we will pray through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries, each one offered for the most vulnerable facing growing threats to life: unborn children at risk of abortion, victims of war and persecution, people with disabilities, and the elderly and vulnerable. For video, audio and written versions of the Rosary for Life, visit [rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife](http://rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife). Pray the Rosary. Encounter Christ. Defend life.

## SIDCUP INNER WHEEL ANNUAL QUIZ NIGHT

Join the Sidcup Inner Wheel for their annual quiz night at Sidcup Sports Club on **Friday 8th May**, starting at **7:30pm**. Teams are welcome, with tables of **6-8 people** (maximum 8 per table).

Entry is **£10 per person**. To book a place or for more information, please contact **Chris Head-Rapson** at [chrishheadrapson@gmail.com](mailto:chrishheadrapson@gmail.com)

## CONFIRMATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

**First Holy Communion** - 21 children will receive First Holy Communion at the 11am Mass on Saturday 9th May.

**Confirmation** - Canon Victor Darlington will confirm 10 of our young people on Friday the 22nd May at the 7pm Mass. We keep the children, young people and their families in our prayers. We sincerely thank all our Catechists for their time and efforts in preparing the children and the young people to receive the Sacraments.

## ST PETER CHANEL FEAST DAY

Our Parish school, St Peter Chanel, celebrate their Saint's Feast Day on Tuesday this week. Our Reception children started our day with a wonderful assembly, highlighting the journey St Peter Chanel went on from France to Futuna. We welcomed Fr Christopher, who celebrated a beautiful Mass reminding us of St Peter Chanel's commitment to sharing God's love with as many people as he could. Miss McGrath, our RE leader, also organised a fact hunt about the Saint. We are looking forward to further celebrations for our Golden Jubilee – more updates on this very soon!

## ST LAWRENCE'S WALKING GROUP

If you would be interested in joining us for a variety of walks around the local area and in London, please contact Debbie on 07973 989730 for more details. All are welcome.

**SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY 2026.** Sunday 3 May is Safeguarding Sunday. In line with today's Gospel, we are called to protect, called to care, called to act. Safeguarding is not the work of a few; it is a shared responsibility. You can find out more about Safeguarding Sunday at [rcaos.org.uk/safeguardingsunday](http://rcaos.org.uk/safeguardingsunday) or via the QR code.

