

LET US PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND

Please keep all the sick and housebound in your prayers.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Let us pray for all those who have died recently. We also pray for all those whose Anniversaries occur at this time. May they Rest in Peace. **Please keep their families in your prayers.**

Every life is unique and special, especially at their passing. If you would like a 'paragraph eulogy' included in the bulletin, please contact Father Pat.



ROTAS FOR 9/10 May 2026 **Sixth Sunday of Easter**

READERS: Sat 9 6.30pm Duncan Clark
Sun 10 8.30am Christina Morris
Sun 9 10.00am Michelle Rose, Chris Banks

EUCCHARISTIC Sat 9 6.30pm (C) Jane Cugnet, Rita Aston, Bernadette Collins
MINISTERS: Sun 10 8.30am (C) Barbara Chodkiewicz, Akin Amusu, Christina Morris
Sun 10 10.00am (C) Carlton Rose, Maureen Banks

FLOWERS: Sat 9 Maureen **COUNTERS:** Sun 10 Philip Ogden & Jennie Dolphin

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: Sun 10:(10am Mass) Leader: Aleksandra Helper: Teena

TEA & COFFEE: Sun 10 Liz/Linda **BULLETIN:** Ruth (Office)

DONA CARD READER

Remember to use our contactless card reader for all your donations. Donations can also be made by scanning the QR code so you could donate from home when you are having a cup of coffee or tea. With grateful thanks.



OUR BULLETIN DEADLINE

The deadline for notices to be included in the weekly bulletin is **Tuesday evening** at the latest. All notices should be sent by **email** to: olash.witney@rcaob.org.uk or given to Father Pat.

SAFEGUARDING WEEKLY NOTICE

"The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdiocese's policies & procedures at all times. **Our Parish Safeguarding Representative is Jo Browne.** She can be contacted at: olash.witney@rcaob.org.uk or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240/safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk if you have any concerns."

PLEASE TAKE THIS BULLETIN HOME WITH YOU

The Parish is part of the Archdiocese of Birmingham, Reg. Charity No: 234216

Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 97:1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

First reading Acts 6:1-7

Responsorial Psalm Ps 33(32):1-2. 4-5.
18-19. (R)22

(R) May your merciful love be upon us,
as we hope in you, O Lord.

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting from the upright.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp;
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. (R)

2. The word of the Lord is upright,
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right,
and his merciful love fills the earth. (R)

3. Yes, the Lord's eyes are on those
who fear him,
who hope in his merciful love,
to rescue their soul from death,
to keep them alive in famine. (R)

Second reading 1 Peter 2: 4-9

Gospel Acclamation John 14: 6
Alleluia, alleluia.

I am the way, and the truth, and the life, says
the Lord.

No one comes to the Father except through
me.

Alleluia.

Gospel Reading John 14:1-12

Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 15: 1,5

I am the true vine and you are the branches,
says the Lord.

Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears
fruit in plenty, alleluia.

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SUNDAY 3-10 MAY 2026

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

**SAT 2 Memorial of St. Athanasius, Bishop,
Doctor of the Church
EXPOSITION 10am-11am**

MASS 6.30pm (Bill & Alice Witt RIP)

SUN 3 MASS 8.30am (Marie & Tony Sullivan RIP)
MASS 10.00am (People of the Parish)

**MON 4 Feast of the English Martyrs
NO MASS**

TUE 5 MASS 6.00pm (Isaac Onabajo S.I.)

WED 6 MASS 9.30am (Peter Bee B.I.)

THU 7 MASS 6.00pm (People of the Parish)
6.30pm - Rosary Prayer Group

FRI 8 MASS 9.30am (Paul Fowler RIP)

**SAT 9 Memorial of St. Athanasius, Bishop,
Doctor of the Church
EXPOSITION 10am-11am
MASS 6.30pm** (S.I.)

**SUN 10 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
MASS 8.30am** (Wilfred Bailey RIP)
MASS 10.00am (People of the Parish)

CONFESSIONS & APPOINTMENTS



**Confessions are on Saturdays at
10.30am-11am & 5.30pm-6pm**

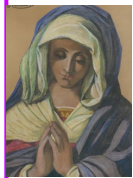
If you would like to see Fr Pat for Confession
or any other reason, please do not hesitate
to make an appointment either by phone or
email.



GOSPEL REFLECTION 5th Sunday of Easter

The Gospel for this Sunday is taken from the final speech of Jesus before His Passion and Death. He is telling His Disciples that soon he will no longer be with them, at least in the manner they have known him up to now. They are confused. He is trying to reassure them. He will be with them but in another way. What is happening is in accordance with God's plan, even if they do not yet understand. Jesus says in response to Philip's question, that he and the Father are one. No matter how things may appear, God is still in control. He knows what he is doing and will draw something more beautiful out of the seeming chaos they will experience, Jesus risen from the dead. He has overcome turmoil and established His Kingdom of hope and truth. However, this kingdom is to be found in the heart through faith. So, at this time, let us remember that Jesus's Kingdom is within us. God is in control even if at times we do not understand what is happening. "Do not let your hearts be troubled, trust in God still and trust in me." We will always have hope because Jesus is risen. We just need to believe. *God Bless, Fr Pat*

MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY



May is Mary's month and we can be sure that our heavenly mother will help us to pray. Pray the Rosary every day if you can; it is a beautiful prayer that we can pray anywhere, alone or in a group. If you have not said the Rosary for a while, now would be a good time to start again. It is a good habit to get into. There is a

Rosary Group who meet after Mass on Thursdays at 6.30pm. They would love to see you. *If you don't own a Rosary, the group have some to borrow.*

ADVANCE NOTICE OF CARLTON'S ORDINATION MASS



My dear Parish family,

As many of you will already know, I am currently in formation for the Permanent Diaconate. This journey began for me in September 2021 and will culminate (please God) in my ordination on **Sunday the 19th of July**

2026 at St. Chad's Cathedral in Birmingham. I would like to invite you to join with me and my family in the celebration of the Eucharist at the cathedral, as we thank God for His call upon my life and to serve His people.

The **parish will be organising a coach** for those who would like to participate in the Ordination Mass, which is scheduled to begin at 3:00pm. There will also be a gathering together after Mass.

I would like to request you to please fill in your name on the signup sheet that will be available in the narthex. This will give us an idea of numbers, which will help in the booking of the coach and the costs associated with this. More details will be shared in the coming weeks.

God bless. Carlton



LUNCH CLUB IN MAY

Please join us for our next Lunch Club, to be held in the Parish Room on **Tuesday, 5th May from 12:30 to 2:00pm.**

It's a great opportunity to chat with friends and make new ones over a two course meal, followed by tea or coffee, and all still at a cost of only £5.

Everyone is welcome.



KNIT AND NATTER FRIENDSHIP GROUP

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 14th May from 1.30pm-3.30pm** in the parish hall. Everyone is very welcome. Bring your knitting or stitch or other small projects and enjoy a cuppa and good company. We have yarn, needles and a few patterns so we can get you started if this is a new experience for you. **We look forward to welcoming you.**



THE 200 CLUB DRAW WINNERS

Congratulations to the winners from the draw of 26th April!



TODDLER GROUP - HELP NEEDED



Our Toddlers Group are looking for more helpers for this essential group. They meet on Tuesdays from 10am until 11.30am.

The Alfred Jewel THE NEW PARISH OF THE ASSUMPTION



Like so many churches, St Teresa's, Charlbury and Holy Trinity, Chipping Norton are now united as one parish of the Assumption with our Parish Priest: Fr Clive Dytor. To celebrate this new parish we are organizing a 5 day pilgrimage and would like to invite parishioners from other local parishes to join us. The new Parish invites you to join them on **Pilgrimage to Winchester** to meet 'The Saints and Kings who made us Christian'. **This will be on September 7th –12th 2026**

Join us as we travel back to the 9 and 10 centuries to the time of King Alfred and his dynasty, and explore the early Church in England. We will visit the churches where they prayed, and the towns and cities they built: Winchester, Bradford upon Avon and Malmesbury. Of the 43 'official' saints from Wessex, we will meet some of those saints who were the most influential in forming faith, for example St Swithun and St Aldhem.

Led by our pilgrim historian Suze Mathews who specialises in Anglo-Saxon history and our pilgrimage chaplain Fr Aldo Tapparo who will offer daily Mass, hear confessions, offer spiritual guidance and lead us in communal prayer of the Divine Office. **To reserve your place or for further details please email Suze Mathews: suzemathews899@btinternet.com**