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# MASSES AND INTENTIONS 17<sup>th</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025

Sat 17th May

6pm Mass: Sean Kerrigan (RIP)

# Sun 18<sup>th</sup> May 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

10:30am Mass: *Joe and Mia Reynolds (RIP)* 5pm Kerala Mass:

## Tue 20th May

6:30pm Liturgy of the Word and Holy Communion

#### Wed 21st May

No Mass:

# Thu 22<sup>nd</sup> May

No Mass:

## Fri 23<sup>rd</sup> May

12 noon Mass:

## Sat 24th May

10am Confessions till 10:45am 6pm Mass:

# Sun 25<sup>th</sup> May 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter

8:30am Latin Mass: *TBA* 10:30am Mass: *TBA* 5pm Kerala Mass:

#### SECOND COLLECTION

This weekend 23<sup>rd</sup> /24<sup>th</sup> May Bishop's Fund

#### SUNDAY'S RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will bless your name for ever, my God and king.

#### **FATHER LIAM & DEACON TONY**

This weekend we welcome Father Liam again to our parish.

Plus our thanks also go to Deacon Tony for weekdays services.

#### **HELP WANTED**

We are looking for help with running the parish repository. If you can help or would like to know more please contact Rosie or Father Richard.

#### MAY VINTAGE AFTERNOON TEA

Our next parish Vintage Afternoon Tea is on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May from 2pm to 4pm. Cost is just on £6 pp. All Welcome.

#### WALSINGHAM PILGRIMAGE

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham will be on Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June. A coach will be running from Bedford costing £19 per person. Pick up times: SS Philip & James & Holy Cross at 7:45am from Holy Cross Church. St Joseph/Our Lady's and Christ the King (bus stand at Midland Rd train station) at 8:15am.

If interested in going, please give your name and fare to Mary Frost. Contact Number: 304014 or 07708 264054 as soon as possible.

# **KNOCK PILGRIMAGE**

Jubilee Tour to Westport, Knock & Co Mayo, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025. Guest Speaker: Marion Carroll, who was cured at Knock. £799.00 pps. Price includes flight, 10kg hold luggage, 4 nights' in 4\* Castlecourt Hotel, Westport with Dinner, Bed & Breakfast. All entertainment, excursions and transport included.

Single supplement on Enquiry. Contact 01268 762 278 or 07740 175557 or email: knockpilgrimages@gmail.com

#### BEDFORD FOODBANK

Many thanks for your continued support which has helped us feed over 1,500 people this month including 508 children. Items we need this month: Jam, Coffee, Biscuits, Tinned veg/fruit, Milk (UHT or powdered), Cereals, Fruit juice (long-life), Laundry Tablets, Tinned meat/fish, Bars of Chocolate.

## PRAYER FOR POPE LEO XIV

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favourably upon your servant, Leo XIV, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

Lord God Creator You created us in a great diversity of genus and species, giving each of your creatures a unique and singular mark.



Thank you for the diversity of our gifts and charisms. We give you thanks for having communicated to us through your Holy Spirit and through your servant Pope Francis (RIP) to commemorate the care of Creation and the commitment to promote the good of all by caring for our common home. In this year of the 10th Anniversary of Laudato Si, united with all creation, and with all the Laudato Si commissions around the world, we pray to you:

Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us, that she may continue to help us protect Earth, our Earth, which is our common good.

Teach us to respect creation, to contemplate its beauty and to see you in every creature. Amen

# THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

Last Week's Collections - £455.24 Standing Orders - £134

## **RETROUVAILLE**

Retrouvaille is a marriage ministry, run by Catholics, to support marriages in trouble.

Alone or bored in your marriage? Considering separation or are already divorced? If you are open to try again – Retrouvaille could be the solution. We have helped thousands of couples get back on track.

Call +44 797 338 0443 to find out more or www.retrouvaille.org.uk

#### PARISH PICNIC – HELP WANTED

A parish picnic is proposed to be held on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> July.



#### WE NEED YOUR HELP.

If you can help us in setting up. Running a BBQ, a bouncy castle or generally being part of the team.

Then please contact Rachel Kirkham on 01234 314093 ASAP. Thank you.





# 2025 is the Jubilee Year We are asked to be Pilgrims of Hope

How can we all be Pilgrims of Hope?



# 1. Live Simply:

Consider the impact of our food choices, abstaining from meat on Fridays and generally eating more plant-based foods.

# 2. Live sustainably:

Recycle and reuse more materials, clothes and electrical goods.

# 3. Live in solidarity with those in poverty:

Support the food bank and the SVP.