| 5th Sunday of EASTER Mass times, intentions + the week ahead |         |                                   |
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| Saturday 17th May  | 6.00pm  | Joe Mitchell                      |
|  |         | Janine Lunt                       |
| Sun 18th May   | 10.30am | Steve Timmings                    |
| EASTER 5   |         | Richard Harrison                  |
|  |         | Frank Green                       |
|  | 12 noon | Baptism                           |
| Monday 19th May  | 9.10am  | Nicola Marie Poyner               |
| St Dunstan   |         |                                   |
| Tuesday 20th May   | 9.10am  | Hilary Conyngham                  |
| St Bernadine of Sienna                                       | 10.00am | May Procession                    |
| Wed 21st May   | 11.30am | Confessions                       |
|  | 12 noon | Dorothy Crayford                  |
| Thursday 22nd May  | 9.10am  | John Stanley                      |
| St Rita  | 11.00am | Funeral Service: Philip Molloy    |
| Friday 23rd May  | 9.10am  | Francis Roberts                   |
| Saturday 24th May  | 6.00pm  | Joseph + Edith Holden             |
|  |         | In thanks to Our Lady for prayers |
|  |         | answered.                         |
| Sun 25th May   | 10.30am | Terry Murray                      |
| EASTER 6   |         | Holy Souls                        |

| Confessions | Wednesday at 11.30am               |  |
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|             | and by appointment with Fr Philip. |  |

PRAYING THE PARISH: WE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO LIVE IN TONBRIDGE DRIVE + DENSTONE AVENUE

**Praying the Sunday Missal:** The readings are on **Page 396** in the new Sunday Missals - and on page 859 In the blue missals.



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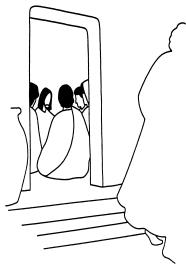


## 5th Sunday of EASTER 18th May 2025 As I have loved you, so should you love

"As I have loved you, so should you love one another." Pope Francis often posed this question: do our Christian lives begin with doctrine and good works or with the realisation that God loves us? How does this realisation help us love each other?

Brothers and sisters, may this message be the core of our own faith and all the ways in which we express it: "... not that we loved God but that he loved us" (1 Jn 4:10). Let us never forget this. Our abilities and our merits are not the central thing, but rather

the unconditional, free and unmerited love of God. Our Christian lives begin not with doctrine and good works, but with the amazement born of realising that we are loved, prior to any response on our part. While the world frequently tries to convince us that we are valued only for what we can produce, the Gospel reminds us of the real truth of life: we are loved. A contemporary spiritual writer put it this way: "Long before any human being saw us, we were seen by God's loving eyes. Long before anyone heard us cry or laugh, we were heard by our God, who is all ears for us. Long before any person spoke to us in this world, we were spoken to by the voice of eternal love" (H Nouwen, *Life of the Beloved*). He loved us first; he waits for us; he keeps loving us. This is our identity: we are God's loved ones. This is our strength: we are loved by God.



**Sunday Missals:** a new batch has been printed - if you wish to own a blue missal please tell Fr Philip. They are £14.00 each. There are 2 left.

**Lourdes Lantern**: At the front of the font you will see the Lourdes Lantern. This will be in each church in the Deanery and then will be taken toi Lourdes on the Diocesan Pilgrimage. If you wish to place a petition/prayer in it please do so by Sun 25th May.

Parish Account Details: You can set up a regular donation to Holy Rosary via Standing Order. This can be done online by mobile banking. Use these account details to make a monthly offering. Holy Rosary Presbytery (183) Sort Code 40-29-12 Account No. 41543849 Or fill out a Standing Order form (in church) and give it into the Parish Office or send it to your bank.

**May Procession**: Our annual May Procession will be on Tuesday 20th May at 10.00am at Holy Rosary School, walking Oriel Drive to church. The theme this year is the Jubilee Year themes. Pilgrims of Hope - walking together to build a better world. Join the procession or stand and watch.

**Holy Rosary School Reception Sept 2025:** There are just 4 places left - if you are interested please contact the school as soon as possible.

**Confirmations in 2025** for all those who registered will be held at St Gregory's on Thursday June 5th at 7.00pm. There will be a preparation meeting for all candidates on Sunday 25th May at the 10.30am Mass. All candidates have been emailed - if you have not please contact the parish office as soon as possible.

**Parish Development Strategy**: If you would like to be part of the parish team working with Jacqui please let her know.

**FoodShare:** There is a need for men's toiletries, shower gel, deodorant, razors, fruit cordial, sauce - tomato and brown.

Missionaries of Charity's May Procession will be on Sat 31st May at 2pm at St Peter's Square. The procession starts at St Peters Square (off Seel Street) and continue via Seel Street, Berry Street, Bold Street, Church Street, Whitechapel to Queens Square finishing at the Shrine.

**Assisi Pilgrimage:** You will need to place toiletries in a plastic bag for Manchester T3. (They do not have the new scanners yet.)

**Parish Garden**: It has been proposed that we do some work on the land at the side of the former Club to make it a nice space for the parish to use. Can you help? Please see Kathy C or Fr P. We will be having a gardening event on Sat 31st May beginning at 10.30am. Please come and help clear the land - bring gardening gloves and a tool.

Parish Council and Finance Committee: met on Tuesday. Thank you to the Parish Council. We reviewed Lent and Easter - and discussed the poor attendance at Stations of the Cross and the lack of volunteers to lead. The main item was the decision about whether or not to move back into the Club lounge. See the minutes for the outcome.

**Tues May 20th** is the day of prayer for victims + survivors of sexual abuse.

**Vocation to priesthood** Last Sunday we celebrated World Day of Prayer for Vocations. If you feel God might be calling you to serve His people and the Church as a priest, please feel free to chat to the Archdiocesan vocation Director Fr Ron Johnson on 0151 727 2493 or email vocations@rcaol.co.uk

From Nugent Care: I am delighted to share with you Nugent's new strategic plan, Imagine Our World. This inspiring document sets out our vision for the future and the key priorities that will guide our work in the coming years. Rooted in our shared values, Imagine Our World reflects our commitment to making a lasting and meaningful difference in the lives of the people and communities we are privileged to support. It is an invitation to think boldly, act justly, and work together for the common good. As we begin to bring this vision to life, we are looking forward to strengthening our connection with parishes across the Archdiocese. In the coming weeks, we will be announcing a series of Nugent Parish Information Evenings, where we will share more about the strategic plan and explore opportunities to work together in service of our shared values. I warmly encourage you to look out for further details. To view the strategic plan and hear a short message from me, please visit: Imagine Our World - Nugent's Strategic Plan 2025 and Beyond. Thank you for your continued support and for all you do to build a more just and compassionate society. I'm especially grateful to Archbishop Malcolm for kindly sharing this message on our behalf. Jo Henney Chief Executive Nugent.