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15th May 2022: 5th Sunday of Easter
Sunday: Year C, Weekdays: Easter Season

Fr Tony writes:

Once again thanks for all your prayers and good wishes. I am now well settled in to 3 Chalky Road. Most of the boxes are unpacked and my book and music collections are once more available to me! There are still a few boxes left, and what will be the guest room is still a storage place for stuff which has yet to find its final location. I am expecting my first guest in late June, so I have a few weeks to sort that out.

While the whole process of moving can be stressful, I am conscious that I am in many ways very fortunate compared to many in our world, especially those whose homes have been destroyed in war in Ukraine and elsewhere.

The early apostles, too, were largely itinerant, having no home of their own as far as we know, but traveling from place to place, lodging with people or renting accommodation for a short period. This Sunday we hear of Paul and Barnabas traveling through seven different towns in Asia Minor* (modern day Turkey), ending up at their 'base' in Antioch in Syria.

Of course, all this reminds us that our earthly home, whether we have lived in it for three weeks or 30 years, is always temporary. Our true home is the heavenly Jerusalem described by St John. In this part of the world we may be disappointed to find out that in this new Jerusalem there is "no longer any sea", but in fact in the symbolic world of the book of revelation, the sea represents the Chaos that abounded at the beginning of creation, to which God brings order.

Anyway, however temporary my new home, I hope to host an 'open day' in the coming weeks so you can all come and have a nose around!

*Including one called Antioch, which confusingly is not the same as the Antioch they finally end up in. There were over 20 towns called Antioch in Asia Minor and its surroundings, two of which are mentioned in the New Testament. They were named after the string of Seleucid emperors named Antiochus, who reigned in Asia Minor in the 2nd century BC. Antiochus IV was the one whose persecution led to the Maccabean Revolt that we read about in the Books of the Maccabees.



**The Queen's
 Platinum Jubilee**

We will be having a parish celebration on Sunday **5th June**, the weekend of the extended bank holiday, which also happens to be Pentecost Sunday. We will celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with one Mass at 12 noon for the whole parish, at St George's.* This will be followed by a 'Bring & Share' buffet lunch. There will be tea, coffee, squash and, possibly even, wine! We will also have a celebration cake with some Prosecco too.

If you can, please bring a plate/dish of cold buffet-type finger food and drop it off in the hall before Mass.

For the younger members of our parish, we would like you to draw/colour a picture of the Queen and bring it with you. We will display them around the hall so please remember to include your name and age.

We are planning some activities that everyone can be involved in: a Jubilee themed Quiz, Pass the Parcel, Decorate a Crown, Pin the tail on the Corgi, Colouring pages, Word search puzzle and a Maze puzzle!

Of course, this is a celebration, so if you wish to 'dress up', please feel free to do so!
 * there will be no 9am Mass at St Theresa's on 5/6. However the vigil Mass, at 5:30pm of 4/6, will remain.

Cleaner Wanted

We are looking for someone to clean St George's Hall on Court Farm Road, Hove. The job would include cleaning of the church hall, kitchen and toilets. Approximately eight hours a week, pay from £10 an hour depending on experience. A full job description is available from the Parish Office. Email: westhove@abdiocese.org.uk for more information.



Please Pray For

All who are sick in the parish, especially Andrew Duncan, Elizabeth Smith and Jean Ryan. Those who have died recently, especially Hattie Baker, June Porritt, Sheila Hooper, Ronald Paine and Maria Grazia Topa. Also remember those whose anniversaries occur around this time.

Special Collections 2022

This weekend's second collection (15th May) will be for: The Missionary Endeavour of the Diocese and can be gift aided in the usual ways.

Music Practice

For singers, choir, musicians
EVERY THURSDAY 19:00 hrs at St Theresa's
All are welcome!
This is for St George's as well as St Theresa's

Support the people of Ukraine

You can give to CAFOD's Appeal at:
cafod.org.uk/Give.

To access Reset's website go to:
www.homesforukraine.org.uk.

Find out more about the Government's Homes for Ukraine initiative:
homesforukraine.campaign.gov.uk.

Find out about the Family Scheme Visa visit:
www.gov.uk/guidance/apply-for-a-ukraine-family-scheme-visa.

CAFOD Campaign: Fix the Food System

Over 800 million people go hungry each day. Yet the world produces over 4 billion tonnes of food, and we only need 3.7 billion tonnes to feed everyone. From all this food produced, a third is wasted. St John Paul II called this 'the paradox of abundance.' Clearly the current global food system is not working. But as Pope Francis said, "Each of us has a role to play in transforming food systems for the benefit of people and the planet." Let's respond to his call! CAFOD's new campaign is called Fix the Food System. See www.cafod.org.uk/food for more information, including an invitation for parish groups to learn about the impact of our food with our *Fix the Food System: a 7-station journey* resource.

Weekly Timetable

Saturday 14th May	4:45- 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	
Sunday 15th May 5th Sunday of Easter	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's	All Parishioners
Tuesday 17th May	10am Mass, St George's	
Wednesday 18th May	7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>Adoration to 21:00</i>	
Thursday 19th May	10am Mass, St George's	
Friday 20th May <i>St Bernadine of Siena</i>	1pm, St Theresa's	Wedding of Laura Marie Sajnog & Andrew Thomas Pickard
Saturday 21st May <i>Sts Magallanes & Companions</i>	10am, St Theresa's 4:45- 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	FHC Session 5
Sunday 22nd May 6th Sunday of Easter	9am Mass, St Theresa's 11am Mass, St George's	In thanksgiving for the beatification of Pauline Jaricot All Parishioners



The Welcome Directory

HELPING FAITH COMMUNITIES WELCOME PEOPLE LEAVING PRISON

Prison Awareness Course

Discover about the needs of prison leavers and how your Faith Community can help unlock their "second prison"

3 sessions via Zoom: 7:30pm on
Thursday 9th, 16, and 23rd June



Cost: Up to 3 free places for faith communities who have or intend to register with The Welcome Directory. £20 all others.

Register now: <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/324764879497>

More details: james@welcomedirectory.org.uk



Invited

2021-2025

Season 2 of **Invited** began on Easter Monday, 18th April. Videos will be released each Monday, and there will be an opportunity to join an online discussion each Thursday. For more information, and to sign up, go to the Invited website: www.abdiocese.org.uk/invited. Even if you missed the earlier videos, they remain available online.