



Parish of Our Lady Star of the Sea

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We continue to pray for the people of Ukraine.

For more information and ways to support them see
cbcew.org.uk/category/cbcew/international/countries/ukraine/

Special Collections: This weekend's second
collection is for the Education of Priests.

**30th April 2023: 4th Sunday of Easter
Good Shepherd Sunday
Weekdays: 4th week of Easter**

Fr Tony Writes

We are coming into a period of celebrations! On Saturday, as a nation, we will be celebrating the coronation of our new King. There will be a Mass to pray for King Charles and our nation, on Friday evening. Then on Sunday we have the first of our First Holy Communion celebrations at St Theresa's, **NB. the Mass is at 11am!** (there will still be an 11am Mass at St Georges). The following Sunday (14th May) we have our second FHC celebration at St George's (also at 11am).

One of the great joys of being a priest is being able to share in these important moments of peoples lives. And indeed we need priests to lead us in these celebrations, as well as to help us celebrate other events and sacraments.

The 4th Sunday of Easter is often called Good Shepherd Sunday, because the Gospel and the Mass texts refer to Jesus as the Good Shepherd. It is a day when we pray in particular for vocations to the priesthood. We pray that we may have good shepherds in our parishes, to lead us and guide us in our own vocations, especially the vocation of all the baptised: to bring the Gospel into our world.

Choir & Music Practice

Weekly music practice for musicians will start on Wednesday 3rd May, 18:30 at St George's; and weekly choir on the 4th May, 19:30 at St Theresa's. Please come along if you play a musical instrument or like to sing!



First Holy Communion

Please pray for Noah F, Iggy, Tala, Laura, Diana, Noah I, Alan, Daniel, Aurelia, Edward, Roland, Leo, Sienna, Dominic, Sören, Millie, Jarlath, Bruno, Summer, Alessandro, Hania, Ala and Jonathan who will be making their First Holy Communion soon.

First Holy Communion Pop-Up Shop

There will be a selection of FHC cards, decorations and gifts available to buy after Mass at St Theresa's on Sunday (30th April).



*First Holy
Communion*

Please Pray For:

All who are sick in the parish, particularly Tom Hulse, Elizabeth Hopkins, Peter Rolph, Cheryl Evans, Julie Laker, and those on our regular prayer list including, Malcolm Allright, Florence Davis, Kathleen Davis, Paddy Dixon and Margaret Gilligan.

A full list of sick parishioners can be found on the parish website, as well as those whose anniversaries occur this month.

Please also pray for those who have died recently especially, Michael Wilkinson, Philip Porritt, Veronica Lloyd and Fr David Russell.



Southwick Churches Together

We meet at 9:30 every Wednesday morning, St Michael's Church, Southwick, for a short service, led by people from the churches in the area. All are welcome. Refreshments afterwards.

Andrew McPherson is our representative, but he needs some support.

The task is not onerous! Please speak to Fr Tony for more information.



This week we are most in need of:

- Cooking oil - 1L bottles,
- Tinned meat (e.g. mince and onions, tinned pies, tinned curry),
- Curry sauce,
- Chocolate,
- Tuna,
- Tinned fruit,
- Shampoo with matching conditioner,
- Deodorant.

Our pasta mountain is continuing to grow, so please don't buy us any more! We also don't need any more porridge oats.

Donations may be brought to the hall on Wednesdays 10:30—11:45am, or dropped into the boxes at the back of either church.

Thank you for your continued support.

Weekly Timetable

Saturday 29th April <i>St Catherine of Siena</i>	4:30— 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	<i>Recovery of Elizabeth Hopkins</i>
Sunday 30th April <i>4th Sunday of Easter</i> <i>Good Shepherd</i> <i>World Day of Prayer for Vocations</i>	9am Mass, St Theresa's <i>School Mass</i> 11am Mass, St George's	<i>All parishioners</i> <i>Michael Redmile Dixon RIP (5th anniversary)</i>
Tuesday 2nd May <i>St Athanasius</i>	10am Mass, St George's	
Wed 3rd May <i>Sts Philip & James</i>	7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's <i>Adoration to 8:30pm</i>	
Thursday 4th May <i>The English Martyrs</i>	10am Mass, St George's	
Friday 5th May	7:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	<i>King Charles III</i>
Saturday 6th May	4:30— 5:15pm Confessions 5:30pm Mass, St Theresa's	<i>Mary 'May' Nuttall RIP</i>
Sunday 7th May <i>5th Sunday of Easter</i>	11am FHC Mass, St Theresa's (Note time!) 11am Mass, St George's	<i>FHC children and families</i> <i>All parishioners</i>

The Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes



Applications from pilgrims requiring assistance to journey with the Diocese Pilgrimage to Lourdes this summer are back to pre-Covid numbers – which is wonderful news, but it does mean we now need lots of helpers, nurses and HCA's to apply to make sure we have

enough people to care for them in Lourdes.

"Being a helper is an act of service that many of us do not get to offer during our day to day lives. Giving our time and care for a week in Lourdes can make such a positive impact on the life and wellbeing of the people we help, and ourselves. There are many ways that you can help someone, the first step is to apply!". Further information and a link to the application is available on the [Lourdes Pilgrimage \(abdiocese.org.uk\)](http://abdiocese.org.uk) website.

The diocesan pilgrimage to Lourdes takes place 28th July to 3rd August for those travelling by air, or 27th July to 4th August for those travelling by coach or jumbulance. The cost for Helpers and Clinicians is £680 (subsidised) or £850 full price. There are further subsidies which may be available. Thank you, The Pilgrimage Office.

The parish may be able to offer a contribution towards the helpers cost also. Please speak to Fr Tony. Deadline to apply is by the end of April.