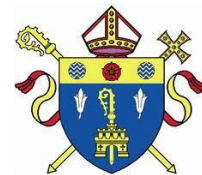




# Sixth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

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<b>Key:</b> SM = St Mary, SG = St Gregory, OLSM = Our Lady & St Michael,		
<b>Sat 4 May Vigil: 6th Sunday of Easter</b>		
17.45	SM	Confessions
18.00	SM	Mass (Patrick Burns)
<b>Sun 5 May 24 6th Sunday of Easter</b>		
09.15	SG	Confessions
09.30	SG	Mass (Cantley Family Living & Deceased)
10.30	OLSM	Mass (Elizabeth & John Trainor)
18.00	OLSM	Mass (People of the Parish)
<b>Mon 6 May Monday of 6th week of Easter</b>		
10.00	OLSM	Mass (Tom, Eunice & Michael Baggle)
18.00	OLSM	Evening Prayer
<b>Tues 7 May Tuesday of 6th week of Easter</b>		
09.15	SM	Mass (The Taggart Family)
18.00	OLSM	Evening Prayer
<b>Wed 8 May Wednesday of 6th week of Easter</b>		
11.30	SG	Lectio Divina
12.00	SG	Mass (Stephen Burns)
<b>Wed 8 May Vigil: Ascension of the Lord</b>		
18.00	OLSM	Evening Prayer
18.30	OLSM	Mass (Margaret & James Carr)
<b>Thur 9 May Ascension of the Lord</b>		
09.30	OLSM	Mass (Kathleen Carruthers)
10.00	SM	Mass (Bill Eilbeck)
12.00	SG	Mass (Mary Graham)
14.30	SP	Ascension Mass in St Patrick's School
18.00	OLSM	Evening Prayer
<b>Fri 10 May St John De Avila</b>		
11.30	SG	Adoration
12.00	SG	Mass (John McAllister Jnr)
18.00	OLSM	Evening Prayer
19.00	OLSM	Latin Mass
<b>Sat 11 May Saturday of 6th week of Easter</b>		
10.00	OLSM	Mass (Dorothy & William Brown)
10.30	OLSM	Confession
<b>Sat 11 May Vigil: 7th Sunday of Easter</b>		
17.45	SM	Confessions
18.00	SM	Mass (Donal O'Sullivan)
<b>Sun 12 May 24 7th Sunday of Easter</b>		
09.15	SG	Confessions
09.30	SG	Mass (Margaret Pattinson)
10.30	OLSM	Mass (People of the Parish)
12.00	OLSM	Baptism - Ivy Mary Craig
18.00	OLSM	Mass (Joan Dumigan)

### Sanctuary Lamps (week beginning 05.05.24)

**SG:** Loving Memories John McAllister Jnr  
**OLSM:** None **Lady Altar:** None  
**Sacred Heart:** None **SM:** None

Please remember in your prayers those who died recently. **Michael Henry Rafferty**, received into Our Lady & St Michael's church 7.15pm, Sunday 2 June, Funeral Service Monday 3 June, 11.15am. **The sick & housebound:** Catherine Wilson, Mabel Tognarelli, Doreen Doran, Fletcher Ditchburn, Anne Braniff, Dennis Castleton, Jack Gullen, Veronica Tubman, Joan Rodgers, Margaret McAleavey, Ibrahim Tobya Shsha, Maureen Dolan, Brendan McManus, Donald Pettitt, Mary Cronolly, Gilbert Carruthers, Marie Blair, Mary Murphy, Jim Cunningham, Geoff Williamson, Helen Bailey, Joan Ainsworth and Frank Youngusband. **And those whose anniversaries occur around this time:** Nora Rooney, John Winder, Hilary Torney, Margaret Carr, Lawrence Brown, Sybil Briers, Margaret Gilmour, Bill Eilbeck, Stella Williamson, Gladys O'Connor, Julie Blackburn, Adolfo Pardini, George Brennan, Eddie Hawley & Joan Dumigan  
**Finance. Offertory income for March:** Offertory £6830.76; Online banking: Account - LRC DTR Christ the Good Shepherd. Sort Code: 40-27-02. A/c No. 91752146

**May is the Month of Mary** and those who draw close to Our Lady will always experience a new springtime of the soul for Mary always draws us closer to her Son. Pope Francis is calling the whole world to unite in a daily praying of the Rosary for the intention of peace.

**Ascension Day this Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation**, one of the great feast days of the year in which we celebrate the ascension of the Risen Lord and His enthronement on the right hand side of His Father. It brings to an end the forty days of Eastertide (during which Jesus appeared on numerous occasions and places to His disciples), and opens up to us the nine days of prayer where we join Our Lady and the Disciples in the Upper Room in a Novena of Prayer, awaiting the gift of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. There are photocopies of a Novena to the Holy Spirit at the back of each church. Let us pray together for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit, Wind and Fire, to pick us up, to embolden us, and to give us fresh heart to share the Good News. **Please take careful note of the Ascension Mass times this week.** There will be a Vigil Mass, Our Lady & St Michael's church, 6.30pm on Wednesday. On Thursday the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady & St Michael's church will be with St Joseph's school, the 10am Mass at St Mary's church will be with St Mary's school and the 12 noon Mass at St Gregory's church will be with St Gregory's school. The 2.30pm Mass will be in St Patrick's school and parishioners are welcome to attend.

**The Alpha Course is back**, beginning this Wednesday 8 May at 7pm in the Stella Maris Room. The mission of the Church is to proclaim the Good News and Alpha does exactly that in an accessible and friendly way. Maybe you have friends, family or colleagues from work who are curious about the faith or who need some Good News in their lives, or maybe you don't feel as if you are really connecting with your faith: Alpha is a safe and welcoming place where everyone is welcome. The format is simple: gather together, enjoy a home-cooked light meal, watch a video and discuss questions that arise. Please pray for Alpha's success and think about who you might invite. To register, please email or phone the parish office.

**Important Safeguarding notice for volunteers.** We have received notification from the Catholic Safeguarding Standards Agency that all volunteers who are in a role that is **NOT** eligible for DBS clearance, e.g. Readers, Eucharistic Ministers in church, Welcomers, Choir members, Cleaners and more, now require Level 1 Safeguarding training. Level 1 training is simply a two-page leaflet, which contains important information. The training is essential if you are performing your role on a regular or occasional basis. The Safeguarding Representatives will be giving out the leaflets in the coming weeks. You will need to sign that you have received the leaflet along with your contact details. This information will be held securely. Once you have read the leaflet your training will be complete.

**Welcome to Fr Augustine Mary Conner CFR**, Fr Philip's brother who is here for this weekend on his home visit from the missions in Honduras. Fr Augustine, Fr Philip and his other brothers and sister are setting off later this week on a pilgrimage, following part of the ancient pilgrimage route from Canterbury to Rome. The week-long pilgrimage coincides with Fr Philip's 50th Birthday. If anyone would like to sponsor him, he is fundraising for **Mary's Meals** and any donations can be put in an envelope and handed in at the Priory or in next week's collection. Anyone who would like to follow the pilgrimage day by day can see photos on Instagram, walk\_in\_the\_light\_pilgrimage

**Open Door** has now finished for the Summer at our Lady & St Michael's (Stella Maris Room, Fridays), but will carry on as usual at St Gregory's, Mondays 9am and St Mary's Harrington, Thursdays 10.30am.

**Thank you.** Jack McDougall and family would like to thank everyone for their messages of condolence, sympathy cards, mass cards and contributions to the Parish regarding the passing of Stella.

**Red Box 2023 Thank you.** In 2023 Christ the Good Shepherd Parish raised £2442.49 through Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. The missionary community in our parish is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries overseas. Your support enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of people in various communities. Visit mission.org.uk to find out more.

**Malaysian Night.** Saturday 6 July, 6.30pm, Stella Maris Room, Banklands. Tickets £17.50 from Ann Diamond 07759 341295 or the parish office.

### Other News and Events

**Men's Breakfast** at the Carnegie at 9.30am on Saturday 11 May.

**Fire and Light** Night of prayer and praise, Adoration and Prayer Ministry with the Cor et Lumen Christi community, 8pm, on Wednesday 8 May the Old Convent, Wigton.

*Come, Holy Spirit!  
Give us the grace today to rise up,  
to open wide the doors,  
to go out of ourselves so as to  
draw others to Christ,  
to be disciples and to make  
disciples, that we may walk in your  
ways joyfully and build up Your  
Church across West Cumbria.  
We make this prayer through  
Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.*