



CATHOLIC CHURCH OF OUR LADY & ST. KENELM

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LITURGY FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING SUNDAY 2nd MAY 2021 FIFTH SUNDAY of EASTER

TIMES OF MASS & MASS INTENTIONS

Sat 1st May	Vigil of the Fifth Sunday of Easter	4.30pm	Pro Populo (public Mass)
Sun 2nd May	Fifth Sunday of Easter	10.00am	Ray Davies (RIP) (public Mass)
Mon 3rd May	Ss. Philip and James (feast)	no Mass	—————
Tues 4th May	English Martyrs (feast)	10.00am	Private Intention (public Mass)
Wed 5th May	Easter Feria	12 noon	Private Intention
Thu 6th May	Easter Feria	12 noon	Madeline (RIP)
Fri 7th May	Easter Feria	12 noon	Colin Williams (public Mass)
Sat 8th May	Easter Feria Vigil of the Sixth Sunday of Easter	10.00am 4.30pm	Private Intention Carolyn Kearney (public Mass)
Sun 9th May	Sixth Sunday of Easter	10.00am	Glennis Cutler (RIP) (public Mass)



IF YOU
ABIDE IN ME
YOU WILL BEAR
MUCH FRUIT —

Whoever
remains in me,
with me in him,
bears fruit in
plenty ...

Confessions

Confessions, at this time, are by appointment only due to the procedures for COVID.

MASS INTENTIONS to Father Stefan please

Masses this week will be open to the public on:
Tuesday 10am; Friday 12 noon; Saturday 4.30pm; Sunday 10am.

Live stream on YouTube

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCWKQ3_Ft_zoDHsTqSXz4uiA

will be available all day should people want to watch it at a later time.

If you have a problem finding the past live streams, please follow the link off the live stream option on the parish website.

Making a Spiritual Communion

- * Make the sign of the cross
- * Read the Gospel of the day
- * Then share prayer intentions
- * Say the Lord's Prayer
- * Make an act of spiritual communion
- * Close with the sign of the cross.

My Jesus, I believe You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I long for You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You have already come, I embrace You and unite myself entirely to You; never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

May Anniversaries

Remember in your prayers those deceased members of our parish whose anniversaries occur during May:

Hugh Williams, Margaret Clarke, Edward Gill, James Ryan, Ivy Williams, Kenneth Short, Yvonne Lindsey, Jim Dempster, Jim Price, Bridie McAndrew, Lyn Welch, Michael Hubbard, George Barr, Peggy Harris, Leslie James, Winifred Price.

May they rest in peace.

Christian Aid Week May 2021

Christian Aid Week is the UK's longest-running fundraising week and attempts to alleviate suffering for ordinary people around the world, no matter what their faith. The money collected by all local churches in CA Week is their main annual fundraiser and donations this year will, in particular, help to tackle the climate crisis that threatens the lives and livelihoods of communities living in Kenya.

There will be a 'retiring' collection box for people to enter cash donations should they wish to do so as they leave after the Masses of 8th/9th May. All donations gratefully accepted. For those who can not attend Mass, or prefer to donate online, donations can be made at our OLSK Christian Aid Week link - envelope.christianaid.org.uk/envelope/olsk-halesowen



Parish Phone Line Unfortunately, since I have been here, there has regularly been scam phone calls coming into the parish: even at times past midnight or early in the morning (before 7am) as well as regularly throughout the day.

The telephones in the house were also dying due to age, so I have had to replace the system with a scam protection telephone system. What does this mean?

When you ring the presbytery, then you will hear an announcement that the phone line "is being screened by a BT Call blocking phone". It then asks you to say your name and press hash (#).

If I am in, then I will answer the phone or it will automatically go to the answering machine.

I do look forward to all your phone calls, and I am sorry that I have had to take this step.

Message from Father Stefan.

My apologies that I haven't been too much with it this week, I went down during the week with a dratted cold. I am dosed up on lemsips, so please bear with me.

Fifth Sunday of Easter Reflection

Readings: Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 22; 1John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8

Christian life is a profound communion with Christ, the true vine, and with his body the Church. Anyone who is not united to him through faith and love (Second Reading) is no longer alive with the divine life, nor serves any purpose (Gospel). Those who remain united to Christ learn to reproduce his way of life in themselves and are fruitful, thus building up the Church.

Stefan, Fr Stefan

Lately Dead Please keep in your prayers the repose of the souls of Patricia Watkins and Gwyneth (Gwen) Neilly.

May they rest in peace.

OLSK SVP Parish Conference Latest Annual Report

Annual report for the year ended 31st March 2021, is available on the Parish website in the SVP section.

<https://www.ourladyandstkenelm.org.uk/conference-annual-report-2020-2021.html>

Pope's Prayer Marathon Pope Francis urges us to pray the Rosary in May for end to Covid-19 pandemic. It starts on the 1st May at the Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham, and then will be taken up by different shrines around the world on each day in May. Visit the church website for more details.