

**ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH (served by the Missionary Society of St Paul)
PARISH NEWSLETTER FOR THE WEEK BEGINNING 25th MAY 2024**

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Welcome!

Mass  for the Intentions  for the Week

First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	Matt Bowden, Maura Dee & family <i>(live streamed)</i>
Sun 26 May MOST HOLY TRINITY (B)	8.30am	Sherin Paul, Dan & Margaret O'Kane & family, Baby Anna Grace Hedley RIP
<i>(St Mary's Denton)</i>	9.30am	Tommy Lydon RIP (Anniv)
	10.30am	Birthdays & Anniversaries during May, Onilenla family int, <i>(live streamed)</i>
	6.00pm	Sylwestra Jasiak RIP (2nd Anniv), Rodney Matthews, Danuta, Waldemaz & Mariusz Zaborski RIP
Mon 27 May St Augustine	9.15am	Nicholas Bello Onilenla (birthday)
Tues 28 May Feria	9.15am	Leonard Wooding RIP <i>(live streamed)</i>
Wed 29 May St Paul VI	<u>Adoration 10.00am-12noon</u>	
	12 noon	Joseph Perrin RIP
Thurs 30 May Feria	9.15am	<i>(St John's Church)</i> Foundation Masses
Fri 31 May Visitation BVM	9.15am	Sherin Paul RIP (Birthday), Daniel & Darlene Sannell (1st Wedding Anniv)
Sat 1 June St Justin	<u>Adoration after 10am Mass until 12.30pm (Reconciliation 11.30-12.30pm)</u>	
	10.00am	Agnes Mizzen RIP
	11.00am	<i>(St Katherine's, Shorne)</i>
First Mass of Sunday, (Saturday)	6.00pm	Sheila Papworth & Deborah Mancini (ill) <i>(live streamed)</i>
Sun 2 June CORPUS CHRISTI (B)	8.30am	Sherin Paul, Bridget Head RIP Anniv
<i>(St Mary's Denton)</i>	9.30am	Joseph Perrin RIP
	10.30am	Pauline Juma (wellbeing), Roland (special intention) <i>(live streamed)</i>
	6.00pm	Maria Zdzislaw Bogusz RIP



Please pray for the souls of all deceased parishioners, family and friends



Joseph Perrin - Requiem at St Johns Wednesday 29th May at 12 noon

Veronica Mary Connolly - Requiem at St John's Mon 3 June @11am

Marina Alexandra Knell - Requiem at St John's Tues 4 June @11.30am

Peter Marcantonio - Reception into St John's Wed 5 June & Requiem 6 June @11am

May God console their families. May the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace;

Please pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time including.... *May they rest in peace...*

26: Antony Peter Gibson, Mary Catherine Phillips, Sr. Paschal Sheehy, Marie Ellen Dougal, Clive Stanley Robinson

27: Paul Joseph McCabe, Pat Dillow, Kathy Dillow, Maria Magdelane Leeman, Michael Nyzalowskiy, Eric Marrant, Roger Stevenson

28: John Somerville Scott, Kathleen Moriarty

29: Elizabeth Horan, Sister M. Berchmans Byrne, Iris Hilda McDonnell, Eileen Hunt, Thomas Francis Lydon, Edward Delaney

30: David William Deadman, Francis Lloyd, Patricia Flynn, James Joseph Keane

31: Florence Grace Martin, James John Madden, James O'Connell, Winifred Jenner, Agnes O'Brien, Ben Fletcher, Kathleen Duff, Peter John Harmon, Patrick Arthur Dillon Dignam, James Joseph Keane

1: Francis Taplin, Fr. Patrick McNulty, Margaret Mitchell, Bridget Dolan, William Charles Tutton, Doris Donovan, Martin John Quinn

2: Grace Jordan, William Mullan, Elizabeth Lane, Bridget Kelly, Mark Anthony Gaskill, Pauline Doris Lott, Sherin Paul



Sick/housebound Please contact the parish office and let us know of neighbours/family members who are unable to come to Church and would like to receive Communion or call 07405803862. We remember in our prayers those who are sick, housebound or in hospital & those who care for them and their families. **Please, when on admission in the hospital or care home, volunteer the information of your faith as you won't be asked ordinarily.**

This Week: MSP Mission Appeal Once a year the archdiocese gives the parish opportunity to support the work of the MSP. As a parish we can sponsor the training of a priest and the education of a girl or boy. Please help us with our appeal this weekend 25/26th May in aid of our missionary work. Envelopes are available at the back of the Church for your donations and may be returned next week.

Rome The first World Children's Day will take place in Rome on 26/27th May. Please remember in your prayers Fr Stephen and 26 children and parents who will be attending this event with children from all over the world with Pope Francis.

May Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary During May the Rosary will be recited 30 minutes before all Masses, especially for peace, joy, love in all our parishioners.

First Holy Communion for Children at Non Catholic Schools Please remember in your prayers the 42 children who will be making their First Holy Communion this weekend and next weekend. We thank the dedication of those who have prepared them for this big day.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Christ is really present in the Blessed Sacrament; come and talk heart to heart with Him, either on Wed (10am-12noon) or Sat after 10am Mass until 12.30pm; or 1st Friday 24 hour Adoration

First Saturday Devotions to the Immaculate Heart of Mary On the first Saturday of each month a service will be held 11.30-12.30pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome to join us in prayer next Saturday 1st June.

Lowry Family The Lowry family would like to say thank you to Fr Joe and Fr Moses and to their friends and parishioners for the flowers, mass cards, sympathy (cards and comforting messages) that they received following the Michael Lowry's death.

Building a Better Marriage If any married couples missed the recent Building a Better Marriage day at St John's, you'll be delighted to learn that another day is being held on the 29th June in the Carmel Hall at the Sacred Heart of Jesus church Sittingbourne from 9.30am to 4.30pm.

Fr Jude's Induction You are invited to celebrate the Induction of Fr Jude as Parish Priest in Meopham on 14th June at 7pm.

Last weeks collections £1362.47. **This week:** MSP Appeal. Thank you for your continued generosity and also to those people who pay by standing order and contactless. Gift aid, standing order, bank details are available at the back of the Church or contact the parish office.

Baptism We welcome into our parish family Sade Lawal and Nazli Dunova who were baptized this weekend. Application forms for Baptism are available from the back of the Church or the parish office. Families need to attend a talk before the baptism. Please phone/email the office if you wish to attend (Next session is Monday 10th June).

Stewardship Drive We are each uniquely gifted, and called to serve the community with our talents; Please remember to return your commitment cards to one of the Priests, a steward or the Presbytery.

Church Garden Thank you to our team of gardeners. The Church garden is looking lovely and a lot of work has gone into maintaining it.

KSC Dinner Dance 3 August 5.30-9.30pm Dear Parishioner, We are delighted to invite you to KSC Dinner/Dance and Fund Raising event. Please see flyer for full details. We wish to raise funds for St John's & Our Lady of the Assumption, Northfleet, particularly youth competitions. Tickets are £25 per person available from a member of the Knights. On the night there will be a grand raffle draw with great hampers and prizes. Please buy a ticket and enjoy a great evening with music, dance, relaxation and interaction.

Booking Mass Intentions: Envelopes for Masses are available at the back of the Church, write the intention and put the stipend in the envelope. Please do not use the Dona Machine for Mass stipends.

Wednesday Tea/Coffee Refreshments are served in the Coffee bar after 12 noon Mass. All welcome.

Come and Rest in Me is a contemplative group that meets around the Word of God on Wednesdays 8-9pm. Check our website for the zoom link.

Catholic Charismatic Group meetings resuming Fridays at 7pm in the Church. You're all welcome to come and listen, pray and share your faith.

Mustard Seed Bible study every day @ 8.30pm; Lectio Divina on Fridays @ 7.30pm. Please go to the parish website www.stjohnsgravesend.co.uk and click on the link.

Padre Pio Prayer Group each Tuesday straight after 9.15am Mass in the Cry Chapel. All welcome to join us in prayer. We especially remember our sick friends and family. *Please see the parish website for prayer groups.*

Date for your diary We welcome back the popular Summer Concert featuring the Medway Singers along with the Meopham Brass Band on Saturday 13th July at 7.30pm. This fundraising event is for the Church Renovation project. Tickets are £5 and will soon be available.