

## Our Lady Help of Christians



3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026

*Fifth Sunday of Easter*

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*Baptism minimum 2 months notice required;*  
*Marriage minimum 12 months notice required*

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**FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND.** This weekend we welcome Edmund Adamus, of Friends of the Holy Land, to speak about their work and the difference it makes to the small Christian population in Israel, the West Bank, Gaza (Palestine) and Jordan. There will be a retiring collection and there are some leaflets/newsletters about the work of FHL. For more information, please visit the website: [www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk](http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk).

**RUTH MAGALY BRIGHT R.I.P.** Please pray for Ruth (known as Maggy) and her family and friends. The Requiem Mass will be at Our Lady's on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May at 12.30pm.

## Mass Times and Intentions

**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> May**

**Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Sat. 6pm Mass – Greta Sunderland RIP**

**9.15 Mass – Blake Johnston,**  
Thanksgiving

**11am Mass – Parishioners**  
*With Baptisms*

**Week 4<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> May**

**Monday – The English Martyrs**

**N.B. 11am Mass Alice & Jack O'Reilly RIP**

**Tuesday**

12.30pm Requiem Mass for  
Ruth Magaly Bright (Maggy) R.I.P.

**Wednesday**

**10am Mass Madeleine Ruddy RIP**

*followed by Exposition until 10pm*

**Thursday**

*10am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament*

**Friday**

**10am Mass War Dead VE Day**

**Saturday**

**10am Mass Thanksgiving for the Polish**  
School - 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

***Reconciliation (Confession):***

*Saturday 5.30pm or by appointment*

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May**

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Sat. 6pm Mass – Maureen Smyth RIP**

**9.15 Mass – Parishioners**  
*with Baptisms and Receptions*

**N.B. 11.15 am Mass – Jane Healy RIP**

*12.30pm Baptism*

**3.30pm Syro Malabar Mass**

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE UNWELL:** Chad Van Duyn, Ronald and Veronica Cooper, Patricia O'Shea, Jenny Pearce, John Machen, Gloria Bray, Mary Joyce, Rob Vallance, Alan O'Brien, Judy Phillips, Gabriel Mariano, Ashley Wolsey, Tina Elliot, Angela Widdup, Kristina Gonzalez, Lucy Orchard, Sophie Milton, Wilfrido Zabarte, Mike Povey, Pat Lynch, Jenny Emrys-Roberts, Barney Barker, Lorraine Elworthy, Howard Hopper, Gwen Bruno, Clive Stanbrook, Hugh McManus, Bridie McManus, Carmela Tomkins, Kerrie Mitchell, Suzanne Kassir, Tim Buckell, Valli Alimon, Christopher Brown, Kevin Luddington, Victor McGrath, William Simmons, Marie McMahan, Patricia Bygrave, Amy Macanlalay, Thomas Hazell, Mark Fitzpatrick and Cathy Fahy.

*Please let the Parish Office know if anyone would like to be added to / taken off the list.*

**DONALD FARINO R.I.P.** Please pray for Donald (known as Don) and his family and friends. The Requiem Mass is at Our Lady's on Monday 18 May at 11am.

**SIOBHAN WATERMAN R.I.P.** Please pray for Siobhan and her family and friends. The Requiem Mass will be at 12.30pm on Wednesday 20 May in the church.

**PLEASE NOTE** the Mass on Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> May will begin at 11.15am instead of 11am.

**PLEASE REMEMBER** in your prayers all our students who are taking exams during the coming months.

**RETIRING CASH COLLECTION** last weekend raised £514.80 for the education of future priests. Many thanks.

**THIS WEEK** the parish office will be open on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> May instead of Tuesday the 5<sup>th</sup>.

**MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY.** This month is a special time for us to pay homage to our Blessed Mother Mary. (Contrary to misconceptions, we do not worship her). As Catholics, we honour Mary and ask her to intercede for us.

Mary urges us to pray the Rosary daily – a central message of her apparitions, most famously at [Fatima](#) in 1917, where she appeared as "Our Lady of the Rosary". Our Lady continues to invite us to renewed hope, to deeper conversion of our hearts to Christ, and to remind us of her loving intercession before her Son for all our needs and prayers. There are some 'How to Pray the Rosary' cards in the church porch, please take one home.

**THE CRAFT CLUB** is meeting on Wednesday 6 May in the St Thomas More room from 10.30am. Newcomers are welcome and drinks will be available. For any queries, please contact Janet on 07917346287.

**WEST BYFLEET CATENIAN CIRCLE** meeting is on Thursday 7 May at 7.30pm in the hall. Going forward, please note that we are now meeting on the first Thursday of the month. Drinks and nibbles will follow the meeting around 8.30. The Catenians are a Catholic association for practising Catholic men if you would like to attend with no obligation and learn more about the Association contact Vernon DeCruz [v.decruz@btinternet.com](mailto:v.decruz@btinternet.com).

**QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT:** St Dunstan's Church on Sat. 6 June 7pm (prompt 7.30pm start) to raise money for the overseas sustainable farming project in Ikutha, Kenya. Price £12pp (can be paid [online](#)), includes lamb or vegetarian biryani and raita. Drinks available at the bar (in return for donations, please). Booking forms in the narthex or on the LiveSimply Woking [website](#), return by 27 May.

**For Parish Centre Enquiries or Hall Bookings** - contact Chris Geary [ourladyshallbookings@outlook.com](mailto:ourladyshallbookings@outlook.com)

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**For St Thomas More Preschool Enquiries**

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**MASS INTENTIONS.** Envelopes are in the porch. Please complete with contact details if you wish to know the date / be notified of any change and return the envelope with a donation to the parish office. Donations can be made via the DONA machine in the church porch. Please note, intentions may have to be rebooked if another service is arranged i.e. a funeral.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MEETING** for children Saturday 9 May in the church. Group 1 at 3pm and Group 2 at 4.15pm.

**MARY, THE MOTHER WHO CARED FOR JESUS**, now cares with maternal affection and pain for this wounded world. Just as her pierced heart mourned the death of Jesus, so now she grieves for the sufferings of the crucified poor and for the creatures of this world laid waste by human power. Completely transfigured, she now lives with Jesus, and all creatures sing of her fairness. She is the Woman, "clothed in the sun, with the moon under her feet, and on her head a crown of twelve stars" (Rev. 12:1).

Carried up into heaven, she is the Mother and Queen of all creation. In her glorified body, together with the Risen Christ, part of creation has reached the fullness of its beauty. She treasures the entire life of Jesus in her heart (cf. Lk 2:19,51), and now understands the meaning of all things. Hence, we can ask her to enable us to look at this world with eyes of wisdom.  
(Laudato Si', 241)

## WOKING FOODBANK COLLECTION

next weekend. Please donate tins, dried food/toiletries but NO perishable foods! All donations must be within 'use by' & 'sell by' dates. The [Foodbank website](#) lists the items most needed and includes washing up liquid, hot chocolate and mayonnaise.

**OFFERTORY.** The monthly s/orders plus the weekly cash collections averaged £2,340 per week over the last fortnight. If you haven't done so, please consider setting up a standing order. The forms are in the narthex or [online](#). Giving can be made via the DONA machine in the porch or online. Full details of the ways you can give to the parish are on the website. This is the QR code for online payments:



**THE MARIST** school starter session. Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> July 13:35 – 15:00. Free play in the role play town, meet other children starting school and a relaxed chance for parents to chat. Parents and carers can book onto the event by calling the Little Street West Byfleet venue on 01932 976894 or on their [website](#) to book online. £9.95 for 1 adult and 1 child. Please see the poster in the porch for further details.

### PRAYER FOR PROTECTION

Holy Michael, Archangel, defend us in the day of battle; be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God thrust down to hell Satan, and all wicked spirits who wander through the world for the ruin of souls. Amen.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

6 <sup>th</sup> May	Craft Club, St Thomas More room, 10.30am
7 <sup>th</sup> May	Catenian Meeting, Hall, 7.30pm
9 <sup>th</sup> May	FHC Children's Meeting, Church, from 3pm
9-10 May	Woking Foodbank Collection
11 <sup>th</sup> May	Ecumenical Morning Prayer, St John's Church, 9.30am
15 <sup>th</sup> May	FHC rehearsals for 16 <sup>th</sup> May Masses, Church, from 6pm
16 <sup>th</sup> May	Parish First Holy Communion Day
18 <sup>th</sup> May	SVP meeting, St Thomas More room, 7.30pm
20 <sup>th</sup> May	Hope Café, St Thomas More room, 10.30am
22 <sup>nd</sup> May	FHC rehearsals for 23 <sup>rd</sup> May Masses, Church, from 6pm
23 <sup>rd</sup> May	Parish First Holy Communion Day
<b>28<sup>th</sup> May</b>	<b>Parish Walk, meet outside the Church, 10am</b>
6 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Confirmation Away Day
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Jun</b>	<b>Seniors' Lunch, Hall, 12.30pm</b>
8 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Ecumenical Morning Prayer, Church, 9.30am
13 <sup>th</sup> Jun	Confirmation Meeting for Candidates, Hall, 4pm