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**8th MAY 2022 – YEAR C**

 **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

**VOCATIONS SUNDAY**

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**MYSTERY OF FAITH:** When we eat this Bread…

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Fedele Girardi

**Sun:** 10:00am - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Tue:** 9:30am - Private Intention

**Wed:** 7:30pm - Private Intention

**Thu:** 9:30am - Private Intention

 11:00am - Funeral Mass for Oksana Marie Procyk (Ukrainian rite)

**Fri:** 1:45pm - Funeral Prayers forKevin Patrick Skerry

 7:30pm - Private Intention

**Sat:** 6:30pm - Private Intention

**Sun:** 10:00am - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 11am - 11:30am

Sunday School: 11:15 -12 noon in the Parish Hall Lounge

Rosary: Wednesday 7:10pm

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** Gordon Verity, John Whittaker, Antonina Carpenter, Gerard Kelly, William (Paddy) Spring, Margaret Stevens, S. McCabe, Peter Gavin, Pauline Martin, Bridget Doheny, Margaret Kinch, Beatrice Measures, Mary Houlihan, Richard Connelly, John Preston, Philip Hart, Patrick Bermingham, Mary Parker, Teresa McKenzie, Mycaelo Kniazewycz and Bridget Buckingham.

**Please remember in Prayer**

Mark Dowling, June Dowling, Mary Haggerwood, Kevin B, Susan V, Andrew, Patricia (Pat) S, Janet O’L and Mike.

**OFFERTORY:** Last week’s collection amounted to £442.35. Thank you very much.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** This weekend is for the Priests’ Training Fund.

**FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK:**

Friday - Our Lady of Fatima

Saturday - St Matthias, Apostle

**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

With the lifting of all legally required Coronavirus restrictions by the government, Fr Joe and Deacon Peter ask that you continue to wear face coverings when coming to Mass and in all our church buildings please, unless for medical reasons you are unable to do so. The measures that are now in place within the church will remain in place for now, so please continue to act carefully and exercise personal judgement to manage your own risk and be sensitive to the concerns of others.

**TIME TOGETHER GROUP:** Meets next Saturday, May 14th, at 2:30pm for a Remembrance Service in Church, followed by tea in the Parish Hall. All are welcome.

**OUR CONDOLENCES:** To the bereaved family of Margaret Calver who died recently and whose Funeral Mass will be on Wednesday May 25th at 1pm.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS:** There is a comprehensive list of requested items at the back of church for example tinned meat & fish, peas and carrots, jam, coffee, shampoo please see list. **No other items** please are at present required. Thank you for your kind donations.

**FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH:** We are looking for volunteers to do flowers for the church on a weekly basis, depending on the weather. During the cooler months, flowers last longer; however, when the hot weather sets in, the flowers need to be replaced more frequently.

At the moment we have three people doing the flowers and it would be good if we could have one or two more people who would be prepared to do flower arrangements for the church, with assistance from those already doing flowers. If you are interested, please speak to either Juliana Rensburg or Valerie Brierley. Donations towards the Flower Fund would also be appreciated.

GIFT AID ENVELOPES: Existing donors, please pick up your new box of envelopes from the back of church. Any new donors (tax payers) are always welcome. You can donate any amount whenever you like and it is all in complete confidence. If you are interested, please call in to the Parish Office.

**SPUC:** (Society for the Protection of Unborn Children) are looking for Church representatives. This would involve being the main point of contact for the parish. If you would like more information or are interested in this role please contact the Parish Office.

**DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM:** Is on Saturday June 4th 2022. If you are interested, please contact [deaconmichael.fleming@northamptondiocese.org](file:///C%3A%5CJoe%5CDocuments%5CWeekly%20Newsletters%5C2022%5Cdeaconmichael.fleming%40northamptondiocese.org)

**DIOCESAN HEALING GARDEN OPEN DAY:** Is on May 15th. The event commences at 3pm and will start with a service which the Bishop will be part of. The remaining time (likely to be until 5pm) will include refreshments, time for gathering and sharing and provide an opportunity for 8 charities and organisations to promote the good work that they do in supporting those who have been harmed by abuse, both related to the church and external. See
 <https://northamptondiocese.org/healing-garden/>

**Seeing Your Life through the Lens of the Gospel**

1. Jesus tells us that we can rely on his relationship with us. *Think of the relationships you have in which you feel safe and secure because there is a mutual understanding, and the relationship has stood the test of time.*

2. Jesus says that the disciple is one who listens. *What is your experience of listening to the word of God in the Scriptures? To what other voices have you listened and found guidance?*

3. The faithful disciple is also one who follows the path of love that Jesus preached and practiced. Although it may be difficult at times, it is in following it we find life. *Where have you had the experience of listening, responding, loving, and finding life?*