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**5th May 2024 - YEAR B**

**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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

**Sat:** 6:30pm - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

Special intention for the deliverance from evil and blessing of the home

**Sun:** 10:00am - Fr Derek McGuire intention

**Tue:** 10:00am - Ada Sacco RIP

**Wed:** 7:00pm - People of St Peter’s living & deceased

**Thu:** **Feast of the Ascension - Holy Day of Obligation**

 10:00am - Faye Samples RIP

 7:00pm - Special intention for the deliverance from evil and blessing of the home

**Fri:** 12 noon - Anna Saba RIP

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

**Sun:** 10:00am - Charles Campbell intention

Rosary: Wednesday 6:30pm

Holy Hour, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and

Confession: Friday 11am

**Please pray for those whose anniversaries occur at this time:** James Fursey, Andrew McMorrow, Janet O’Leary, Robert Moffit, Dennis Magee, John Stringer, Mary Buckman, John Hogan, Fedele Girardi, Gordon Verity, John Whittaker, Antonina Carpenter, Gerard Kelly, William (Paddy) Spring, Margaret Stevens, S. McCabe, Peter Gavin and Pauline Martin.

**Please remember in Prayer**

Abigail, Frances, Winnie, Bernadette and the O’Donnell family, Felicieu, Maureen, Ellen, Inge, Igerl family, Schiff and Abels family, the Collett family, Teresa & family, the Rios family, Susan, Samantha, Martin, Dave, Jo, Marcus, Joyals, Neil, Sophie & the Stilton family, Steven, Hajni, Lena, Ann, George, Kevin, Charles Campbell, Peter Gunn, Ana, David and Maricia, the Powell family, Natalie, Andrew, Kieron, Mark K, Frank, Anna, Eileen Bishop, Maria, Lynn, Leanne, Timothy and Victor.

**OFFERTORY:** Last week’s collection amounted to £410.48. Thank you very much.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Last weekend raised £479.70 for the CAFOD Sudan appeal. Thank you very much.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** Next weekend is for World Communications Day.

**FEAST OF THE ASCENSION:** Is next Thursday and is a Holyday of Obligation. Masses will be at 10am and 7pm.

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY:** Is available to all children age 5-9 years old at the 10am Mass. We invite the children to come out to the hall/lounge after the entrance hymn and we return them at the Offertory.

**TIME TOGETHER GROUP:** Meets next Saturday, May 11th at 2:30pm in the Parish Hall for a *Singalong* with James Thorne - all are welcome.

**EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:** The new rota will commence on Sunday May 26th and run until the end of August. Please let Mike know if there are any dates during that period for which you are unavailable.

**SVP PILGRIMAGE TO WALSINGHAM:** Is on Sunday, July 7th, leaving Rushden at 8:45am and returning around 7pm. If you would like to join us please take one of the envelopes from the back of Church and bring it back with your contact details and the payment of £25 per person to cover the coach cost. If you need additional information ring the SVP on 07749 433000.

**UNION OF CATHOLIC MOTHERS:** Tuesday May 7th Daily Mass scheme. Tuesday May 21st Mass followed by the Rosary. UCM meeting and lunch.

**FOODBANK DONATIONS:** There is a comprehensive list of requested items at the back of Church (including tinned foods & household goods). Please keep the donations coming, as stocks are running low and demand is increasing more and more. Thanks to everyone for all the donations, both of goods and money!

**RED BOX 2023: THANK YOU!** In 2023, you raised £702.90 through our Red Boxes and donations to Missio and the Mill Hill Missionaries. Thank you! Our missionary community here at St Peter’s is part of a worldwide network of people supporting missionaries through prayer and financial assistance. Your support of Missionary Priests like Fr Ignatius MNM working with a rural community in Uganda, enables people to come together to celebrate the Eucharist and to work together to improve the lives of the whole community. To find out more, visit <https://missio.org.uk/> .

**THE POPE’S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY:** We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

**VACANCIES:** The Diocese is currently recruiting for a Financial Accountant and an Accounts Assistant to join their central team based in Northampton. Full information for both positions, including how to apply, can be found by visiting <https://northamptondiocese.org/jobs/>. The closing date for applications is Friday May 17th, however we reserve the right to close the vacancy earlier if a sufficient number of applications have been received. Interview dates to be confirmed. All candidates should complete a Diocesan application form and email it to: [hr.admin@northamptondiocese.org](hr.admin%40northamptondiocese.org), together with a covering letter detailing their qualifications, experience, and why they are interested in the position.

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

 A commandment of love is something of a contradiction in terms. Love is a free choice. That is what gives the thrill to the experience of being loved. Recall times when you received gestures of love from another:

• a spontaneous embrace from a husband or wife;

• a wave from a friend;

• words of comfort and affirmation

not because the other person felt obliged to reach out to you but because they wanted to let you know that you were loved. *What effect did that have on you? Did it bring you joy? Perhaps you have had a glimpse of the truth of what Jesus said, that it is in loving that our joy is complete.*