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Third Sunday of Easter [C]

1st May 2022

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St. Peter in Chains: Saturday
between 4.45pm-5.15pm.

St. Bride's: Friday
between 11am-12noon
And by request.

**St. Peter in Chains,
and St. Bride's,
are Parishes
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Mustard Seeds

✠ Mary and the Month of May

The month of May is the "month which the People of God has especially dedicated to Our Blessed Lady," and it is the occasion for a "moving tribute of faith and love which Catholics in every part of the world [pay] to the Queen of Heaven. During this month Christians, both in church and in the privacy of the home, offer up to Mary from their hearts an especially fervent and loving homage of prayer and veneration. In this month, too, the benefits of God's mercy come down to us from her throne in greater abundance" (Paul VI: Encyclical on the Month of May, no. 1). This special custom of dedicating the month of May to the Blessed Virgin arose at the end of the 13th century. The Blessed Virgin Mary is the Mother of the Church and therefore the example, as well as the guide and inspiration, of everyone who, in and through the Church, seeks to be a servant of God. The Holy Spirit, as Pope Leo XIII reminded us, is the soul of the Church: All the activity and service of the members of the Church, beginning with the supreme participation of the Blessed Mother in the work of the Church, is vivified by the Holy Spirit as the body, in all its activities, is vivified by its soul. The Holy Spirit is the Paraclete, Advocate, and Comforter which Christ Himself sent to be our consolation in the sorrowful mysteries of life, our source of moderation in the joyful mysteries of life, our added principle of exaltation in the glorious mysteries of life. So He was for the Blessed Mother; so also He is for the least of us; so also He is for the rest of the Church, even for those who are its unconscious but conscientious members. Wherever there is faith there is the example of Mary, because she lived by faith as the Scriptures remind us.

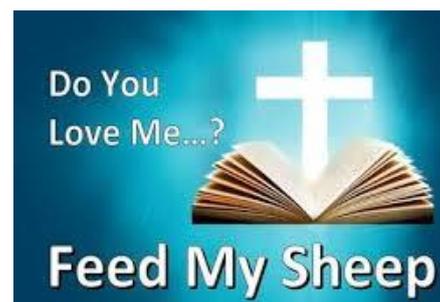
Hail Mary, Mother of the Church and Queen of the Family. We honour you and come before your statue in our Parish Church to place upon it this precious Crown. We crown you in thanksgiving for everything that you have given to us in your motherly care and protection. Accept the Crown, which God has prepared for you from all eternity. Accept the Crown, as a sign of our love. Accept the Crown and give us many graces for the renewal of our Church and society. Accept the Crown and make every family a sanctuary of peace and love. Accept the Crown and call the youth of today to follow your Son. Accept the Crown, Mother and Queen, and teach us to love and serve our Saviour, Jesus Christ, in all things. Accept the Crown from our Parish Families of St Bride's and St Peter in Chains and pray for us in all our needs and petitions. Amen.



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IT ON TO SOMEONE ELSE. THANKS!**

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Please note all Masses in St. Peter's are Live Streamed Masses may be subject to change		St Bride's	St. John's	St. Mary's	
Saturday 30 th April	3rd Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy) Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for William Savage (A), Eddie Body (SI)</i>			Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)	
Sunday 1 st May	3rd Sunday of Easter Mass at 10.30am <i>Offered for our Parishes</i>	Mass at 12.15pm	Mass at 11.30am (L)	Mass at 10am (L)	
Monday 2 nd May	Memorial of St Athanasius, Bishop Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Joanne Collins & Family,</i> <i>Agnes Lennon (RD), Margaret Swiercz (SI)</i>				
Tuesday 3 rd May	Feast of Ss Philip and James, Apostles Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Kevin & Linda Donohoe (SI),</i> <i>Mary Chalmers (RD), F. & A. Upton & Family</i>	Adoration 9.30am Mass at 10am		Mass at 10am (L)	
Wednesday 4 th May	3rd Week in Eastertide Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Mary O'Connor (SI),</i> <i>Billy McCulloch (RD), Geralyn McGarvey</i>		Eucharistic Service at 10am	Funeral Mass at 10am (L) Sam Taylor	
Thursday 5 th May	3rd Week in Eastertide Mass at 10am <i>Offered for B. & L. Nicholson & Family,</i> <i>L. & R. Moakersweird, Elizabeth Burns (RD)</i>			Mass at 10am (L)	
Friday 6 th May	3rd Week in Eastertide Mass at 10am <i>Offered for Anne McLaren (RD),</i> <i>Bryan McGuire (RD), C., M. & D. Sherrit</i>	Adoration 11.30am Mass 12 noon	Mass at 10am (L)		
Saturday 7 th May	4th Sunday of Easter Vigil Mass at 5.30pm <i>Offered for Ian McCormick (A),</i> <i>M. McGarvey, Helen McGee (A)</i>			10am & 12 noon First Holy Communion Masses Vigil Mass at 4.30pm (L)	



PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THIS WEEK

Janet Brown, Jim Boyle, Harry Sammons, Shaun Galloway.

✚ Those who have died recently:

Agnes Lennon, Mary Chalmers, Anne McLaren,
Sarah Anne McCluskie, Billy McCulloch, Elizabeth Burns, Bryan McGuire,

✚ Those who died at this time of Year:

Simon Charles Cawley 2004, Mary Crossan 1981, Iain Currie 2018, Elizabeth Hendry 1998, Mary McCaul 2014,
Joe Arkison 2005, Sheila Folan 2010, Jean Nesbit 1999, Nettie Retzbach 2010, Ian Clarke 2005, Agnes Grogan 1954,
Anne Howieson 2011, Sadie Leslie 2013, John Ross 2020, Pat Breen senior 2018, Bobby Macnamara 1961,
Steve McKinnon 2004, Greta Sudlow 2014, James Timmons 1982, Charlie Townsley 2014, Mary Barclay 2009,
Kathleen Findlay 1996, William Hilferty 1943, Harry Hissey 1976, Robert Hunter 1956,
John, Irene and Patrick McKelvey, James McEvoy 1964, Helen McGee, Patrick McGuire, Robbie McKeachan 2014,
Patricia McPadden 2004, Robert Stewart 2002, Jean Agostini 1978, Josephine Brady 1953,
Josephine Cunningham 2000, Margaret Long 1999, Margaret O'Neill 2009, Margaret Stevens 2007.

St. Bride's & St. Peter's Notices

- ▶ **CONGRATULATIONS FOR SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION** Matthew Macrae and Taylor-Mae Murphy will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this Sunday at St Peter's. We wish them and their families a day of grace and blessing.
- ▶ **SYCAMORE SESSIONS** These will take place on the first 4 Tuesdays of May in main hall from 7.15pm. the sessions will be as follows: Finding True Faith, Holy Eucharist, Social Teaching of The Church, Mary & The Hope of Heaven. It will be the same format as before & we invite everyone to come along even if they didn't manage to the last sessions. Once again it will be very formal & lead by lay people of the Parish. Each session will end with tea or coffee.
- ▶ **3 TOWNS YOUNG VOICES CHOIR** For young people aged 8-12 years (P4-P7), Wednesdays 6.30pm -7.30pm in St. Peter's Parish Centre. For further information: threetownsyouthvoices@outlook.com or call: 07813 343440
- ▶ **ECCLESIASTICAL STUDENTS' FUND** The annual collection for the Ecclesiastical Students' Fund will be taken up next weekend the 7th & 8th May 2022. Many thanks for your support and generosity

Crowning of Our Lady for May

On this first Sunday of May, we will crown our Blessed Lady and honour her in a special way. The crowned statue will remain throughout the month of May in the Sanctuary of our Parish Churches. We ask our Lady to intercede for us and for our families in a special way during this month.

A Teacher's Prayer

It is a blessing to be a teacher
I give thanks each time I see
a precious little child who comes
ready to learn - from me!
Let me share knowledge with everyone
entrusted to my care,
and help me prepare them for life ahead
this is my daily prayer.
The responsibilities are very great
the rewards are greater still
I have hopes and dreams for all my students
and I know I always will.
The world may never know my name
wouldn't even recognise my face,
but in my heart I'm confident
I fill an important place...
I am a teacher.

Catholic Trivia - Did you know?

"Good Luck and Horseshoes" - One day when St Dunstan was engaged in his smithy at Mayfield, the Devil made one of his regular visits, asking to have his horse shod, but Dunstan recognised him, and set about him. So severely did the Archbishop beat him that the Devil begged for mercy. Dunstan made him promise not to enter any house where a horseshoe was hung. Hence good luck is associated with horseshoes.

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Offertory Cash Collection 24th April 2022: £615.76
Second Collection (Building Fund): £292.78
Standing Orders for March 2022: £3998.00

ST. BRIDE'S PARISH STEWARDSHIP

Offertory Cash Collection 24th April 2022: £117.00
Standing Orders for March 2022: £1097.00

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Nicene Creed (for Eastertide)

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,
Maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
Through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
All bow: and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
He suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
Who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen

Just for a Laugh... A woman arrived at the Gates of Heaven. While she was waiting for Saint Peter to greet her, she peeked through the gates. She saw a beautiful banquet table. Sitting all around were her parents and all the other people she had loved and who had died before her. They saw her and began calling greetings to her. "Hello - How are you! We've been waiting for you! Good to see you." When Saint Peter came by, the woman said to him, "This is such a wonderful place! How do I get in?" "You have to spell a word," Saint Peter told her. "Which word?" the woman asked. "Love." The woman correctly spelled 'Love', and Saint Peter welcomed her into Heaven. About a year later, Saint Peter came to the woman and asked her to watch the Gates of Heaven for him that day. While the woman was guarding the Gates of Heaven, her husband arrived. "I'm surprised to see you," the woman said. "How have you been?" "Oh, I've been doing pretty well since you died," her husband told her. "I married the beautiful young nurse who took care of you while you were ill. And then I won the national lottery. I sold the little house you and I lived in and bought a huge mansion, and my wife and I travelled all around the world. We were on holiday in Cancun and I went water skiing today. I fell and hit my head, and here I am. How do I get in?" "You have to spell a word," the woman told him. "Which word?" her husband asked. "Czechoslovakia ...

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