

Seventh Sunday of Easter - 12 May 2024

Thought for the Week

In this week's Gospel we have part of Jesus's prayer at the Last Supper. Here he prays for his disciples whom he is leaving behind to carry on his work. Just as Jesus was sent into the world by the Father, so the disciples were being sent into the world by Jesus. They are to bring his word to others. During the Last Supper, knowing that he was soon to leave, Jesus prayed to his Heavenly Father for them. In praying for them, he also prayed for us. What kind of things did he pray for?

He prayed that they would remain faithful. He prayed for unity among them. He prayed that they be presented in the truth and that they might be victorious over evil.

He foresaw that life would be difficult for them, he did not pray that they might be spared trials and suffering, but that they might remain faithful in spite of them. He did not offer a release from problems but the strength to cope with them.

It is wrong to blame our troubles on God. God is with us in our trials. It is to him we turn in our troubles for comfort, strength, patience and hope.

This is how Jesus prayed for his disciples, and how we too should pray. We pray not to be spared trials, but that God will help us to cope with whatever trials life sends us.

Deacon George

The Prayer of Examen

1. Recall things for which you are grateful, and give thanks.
2. Review the day looking for signs of God's presence.
3. Call to mind things for which you are sorry.
4. Ask for forgiveness.
5. Ask for the grace to see God the following day.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament takes place each Friday from 10:00 - 16:00. All welcome.

The Rosary

The Rosary is prayed after the 12:00 Mass each Friday, please join us.

Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available at St Edward's:

Saturdays: 11:00 - 11:30 and 17:30 - 18:00

Tuesdays: 18:00 - 18:30

Mass Times & Intentions 11 - 19 May

Sat 11	18:00	Ernestina Coutinho - RIP
Sun 12	09:30	People of the Parish - St Mark's
	11:00	Esperanza Matute - RIP
Mon 13	10:00	Eucharistic Service
Tue 14	18:30	Isobel Young - RIP
Wed 15	10:00	Elisa Riccoboni - RIP - Funeral
Thur 16	10:00	Andrew McCarthy - RIP - Funeral
Fri 17	12:00	Frank Holland - RIP
Sat 18	18:00	Pat Brook - RIP
Sun 19	09:30	Jock Cooper - RIP - St Mark's
	11:00	People of the Parish

Parish Diary 11 - 19 May

Sat 11	10:30	First Holy Communion Mass - plus refreshments in P/C
	15:30	Confirmation Preparation - P/C
Sun 12	12:00	Tea & Coffee - P/C
	15:00	Bereavement Service & refreshments - P/C
Mon 13	18:30	Catenian Meeting - P/C
Tue 14	11:00	UCM - Offsite meeting, Savill Gardens
	19:15	RCIA Meeting - St Brigid's Room
Wed 15	13:30	SHC Committee Meeting - St Brigid's Room
Thur 16	18:30	Mass Readings Explained - St Brigid's Room
	19:00	Ascot Pastoral Council Meeting - Ascot
Fri 17	19:00	HCPT Reunion - P/C
Sat 18	10:30	First Holy Communion Mass - plus refreshments in P/C
Sun 19	11:00	Baptism - Joseph Panzarino
	12:15	Baptism - Hallie Quinn
	12:00	Tea & Coffee - P/C

Morning & Evening Prayer

Tue 14	18:00	Evening Prayer - Lady Chapel, St Edward's
Wed 15	09:30	Morning Prayer - Lady Chapel, St Edward's

Both of these prayer times will be open to people from other Christian Churches in Windsor to attend as an ecumenical activity during the "**Thy Kingdom Come**" week where we pray together as a sign of Christian unity, so please do come along.

Offertory

S/O-D/D £1,848.08 - Envelopes £262.90 - Loose £588.48

Fr David's Diary

Tue 14	Sandhurst
Thur 16	19:00 Pastoral Council Meeting - Ascot

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Remembrance Service

The Bereavement Group will host the next Remembrance service at 15:00 on Sunday 12 May at St Edward's. Please come along to remember loved ones (however long ago they have died) - feel free to bring a photograph of them if you would like. The short service will be followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

World Communications Day 12 May 2024

The Second Collection for World Communications Day assists the Church to support this theme and to share the Good News of Jesus Christ with people throughout the world.

<https://donate.giveasyoulive.com/campaign/world-communications-day-second-collection-2024>

Churches Together in Windsor joint service for

Pentecost

There will be an Ecumenical Service at 17:00 on Sunday 19 May at Windsor Methodist Church - please support this event to demonstrate our unity as Christians. All welcome.

UCM Meeting

Members should make their way to Savill Gardens to meet at the entrance to the gift shop, at 11:00 for an offsite meeting on Tuesday 14 May 2024

Week of Accompanied Prayer for Windsor and Ascot - Sunday 19 May - Friday 24 May 2024

A **Week of Accompanied Prayer** may be the special retreat time just for you! Do you find yourself wanting a deeper personal relationship with Jesus? Would you like to know more about different ways of praying? Do you sometimes find it difficult to pray?

Who is this week for?

For YOU. It is like a "mini retreat in daily life" just 5 days, led by professionally trained Retreat Guides.

The week at a glance:

- Sunday 19 May at 17:00 a Welcome opening liturgy/meeting.
- Daily one-to-one meeting with your Prayer Guide, for 30 minutes only, at a convenient time for you.
- Friday 24 May at 18:30 a Closing liturgy/session at which you and all other pilgrims and guides meet and reflect on the week's experience.

St Edward's, Windsor Organist

Part time, self-employed.

St Edward's, RC Parish Windsor - a vibrant and busy faith community - seeks an organist to play at the Parish Church and to build and support music in the churches of the Parish and across the new Pastoral Area (which includes the church of St Francis at Ascot). The parish has a long standing and enthusiastic group of singers with a wide range of talent and is keen to expand their skills and musical repertoire at Mass each weekend, and celebrations throughout the liturgical year. Reporting will be to the Parish Priest.

Application forms and full details are available from spatterson@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk Closing date for applications is 7 June 2024.

Pastoral Area

St Francis of Assisi - Ascot

You can log on to their website for a copy of the newsletter:

www.stfrancisascot.co.uk

Heavenly Father,

We come before you with hearts full of faith and hope as we pray for the successful joining of our two parishes in this pastoral area.

Lord, we seek your guidance and blessings for this journey as we strengthen our faith community and fulfil your mission to evangelise and bring people closer to Jesus Christ.

May your wisdom enlighten our journey as we join together in faith, love, and unity.

In the name of your Son, Jesus Christ, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, we offer this prayer.

Amen.

Summer Party June 9 2024, 12:00 - 15:00

Parishioners OLD and NEW are all invited to the Parish Summer Party.

Volunteers are needed in the areas below, all ages can sign up, there are jobs for everyone.

Collecting tables, setting up, clearing away, helping with activities on the day, car park organisers, welcomers, and many other roles to cover.

Please consider offering some of your time to support the event and help make it a great success. If you have any talents to offer or suggestions for the day these will be greatly received as this is an inclusive parish event so please make contact via email or after each Mass.

YouthCoordinator@catholicwindsor.org

St Edwards 18:00 & St Marks 9:30 Mass - Welcomers

St Edwards 11:00 Mass – Please see Triona.

Donations Needed

From this weekend we will be **collecting donations** for the parish party raffle, Tombola, bottles for our wine or water game and anything that you feel might be suitable. Thank you in advance for your support and generosity.

Save the Date - Youth Event - Sat 14 September

There will be an event for young people aged 13 - 30! Led by, [One Hope Project](#). It will be a day of worship/workshops and fun finding your faith. Starting **11:30 until 17:00 at St Edward's**.

Check out the One Hope Project here:

<https://lorettouk.charitysuite.com/events/tzdtabr>

More information and bookings will follow shortly.

Deceased

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Elisa Riccoboni - Her funeral will take place at 10:00 at St Edward's on Wednesday 15 May.

Andrew McCarthy - His funeral will take place at 10:00 at St Edward's on Thursday 16 May.

Mary Knibbs - Funeral details to follow