



**OUR LADY IMMACULATE AND ST. ETHELBERT'S PARISH,
WELLINGTON STREET SLOUGH, SL1 1XU - REGISTERED CHARITY NO. 234091**

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PENTECOST SUNDAY (B)

We welcome all to today's Mass, especially visitors and friends who are celebrating with us.

SUN 19/05/2024 8.30am: Rosary MASS: 9:00am Elsie Intentions 10.30am: Rosary MASS: 11am: Winnie Nyamangara RIP, For the Children who are sexually abused, Clara Chipuriro Birthday 6.00pm Rosary MASS: 6:30pm: Rita Antao RIP, Joseph & Theresa Almeida RIP, Agapito & Laura De Aranjó RIP
MON: MASS: 9.15am: Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass: 10.00am Mary Bothello RIP
TUES: MASS: 9.15am: Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass 10.00am: Iris Julie Correia RIP
WED MASS: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament, Rosary: 4pm – 6.30pm 6:30pm MASS: Michael & Anthony O'Connell RIP, Jessie De Aravjo Intentions, Shearl Almeida Intentions
THURSDAY: 9:15am Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass 10.00am: Jose Da Silva Good Health Exposition of the Holy Sacrament: 10.30am - 1 pm
FRIDAY: Exposition of the Holy Sacrament, Rosary: 10 am - 12.30pm MASS: 12:30pm
SATURDAY: 9.15am: Morning Prayer 9.30am: Rosary Mass 10.00am: Anthony Carvalho RIP, Oscar Fernandes Birthday
SUN 26/05/2024 8.30am: Rosary MASS: 9:00am Ruby Fernandes RIP 10.30am: Rosary MASS: 11am: Jenny Joyce RIP, Norman Nyamangara RIP 6.00pm Rosary MASS: 6:30pm: Darren Intentions
CONFESSIONS: Available this week on, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday during the Exposition of the Holy Sacrament. Please contact Father at the Presbytery if you would like him to hear your confession during this period if he is not already in the confessional.
OFFICE HOURS: THURSDAY 1pm until 7pm – Please come to the Presbytery with your enquiries.

MINISTRIES:

Readers for Sunday, 19th May

9am Mass: Kathleen S, Sr. Pauline, Daryl M.
11am Mass: Alegrina F, Cecilia JP, A. Ismail
6.30pm Mass: Olivia G, Edward Agbaje

Readers for Next Sunday, 26th May

9am Mass: Alina R, Jim B, Angel D.
11am Mass: Constance N, Marij K, Leanne K.
6.30pm Mass: Sr. Susan, John Jude

Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 19th May

9am Mass: Sr. Caroline, Jim B, Alice S.
11am Mass: Rosemary M, Agness N, Clara C.
6.30pm Mass:

Next Sunday Eucharistic Ministers, 26th May

9am Mass: Millie A, Natalina S, Chris L.
11am Mass: Mathew T, Jessicah M, Cecilia JP.
6.30pm Mass:

OFFERTORY PROCESSION

Sunday: 9am: Millie & Lourdes
11am: Clara C.
Next Sunday: 11am: Veronica & James Ojo

Thank you for your generous giving, May God bless you.

St Ethelbert's Bank Details for Bank Transfers:

R.C.D.N. ST. ETHELBERT CATHOLIC CHURCH
SLOUGH
A/C 46714642
NatWest SORT CODE : 60 06 11

Notices:

Praise & Worship: We will have our monthly praise & worship service on Friday, 31st May at the slightly earlier time of 6.30pm – 9pm, all are welcome. We will begin with the rosary & have a procession to close the month of May when we honour Our Lady, this will be followed by praise & worship.

Parish Registration: We continue to encourage those of you who have not already done so to register as a parishioner of our parish. This can now be done online by typing the link into your browser. www.caspar.church/me?ID=56086 and completing the registration form. During the registration you will also have the opportunity to sign up for the parish newsletter to keep up-to-date with the latest parish news. Please do sign up for this. If you don't have an email address, please speak to the parish who can complete the form on your behalf.

Church Gardens: Can you help by spending some time looking after our gardens? Please put your contact details on the form on the table at the back of the church. Your assistance would be greatly appreciated.

Preparation for Marriage: There are now some strict deadlines for paperwork etc. to be prepared for those who are preparing to get married in this country or overseas. If this applies to you, please get in touch with Fr. Pius ASAP to avoid disappointment as there is a minimum time frame of 6 months required to process various items and he will not be able to help if you do not meet this guideline. The fees have also changed and Fr. Pius will advise you accordingly.

Missio Red Boxes & thank you: We received a lovely thank you from Fr. Noah who visited us on Sunday 5th May to appeal on behalf of Missio. We collected £1156.80 for Missio and they thank you for your generosity. Empty red boxes that were brought in for the money to be banked are now available for your collection on the table at the back of the church.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham: On 8th June there will be a Pilgrimage to Walsingham organised by the Diocese. St Ethelbert's & Our Lady of Peace are organising a coach to this event, tickets are £30. The coach leaves St Ethelbert's at 7:00am and Walsingham at 5:30pm. If you are interested, please call Natty on 07397149269 or Edward on 07802753575

New Lectionary: In preparation for the publication of the new translation of the Roman Lectionary a day course for Catechists, Readers and Cantors will be held at Holy Ghost Centre in Luton on Tuesday, 11th June, 10am – 2.30pm. The cost for the day is £65 which includes refreshments and lunch. Please contact Fr. Pius for further details.

Healing Mass – A healing mass will take place on Saturday, 1st June at 2pm. Please bring along anyone who you feel would benefit from this very special service. There will be no morning prayer or 10am mass on this day.

Summer Outreach BBQ: We are looking for volunteers to help organise and run this year's summer outreach BBQ. If you are able to help and would like to join in, please put your name and contact details down on the list at the back of the church.

Divine Will - An introduction: Derek Williams will give a talk on Divine Will at St Ethelbert's RC Church, Slough, Thursday 23rd May from 7pm -9pm. All welcome. See poster on the notice board.

Pope Prayer Intention for May: Let us pray that men and women religious, and seminarians, grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses of the Gospel:

Message of the Holy Father: Every vocation is a “diamond in the rough” that needs to be polished, worked, and shaped on every side. A good priest, sister or nun, must above all else be a man, a woman who is formed, shaped by the Lord's grace, people who are aware of their own limitations, and willing to lead a life of prayer, of dedicated witness to the Gospel. Beginning in the seminary and the novitiate, their preparation must be developed integrally, in direct contact with the lives of other people. This is essential. Formation does not end at a certain moment, but continues throughout life, integrating the person intellectually, humanly, effectively, spiritually.

There's also preparation to live in community - life in community is so enriching, even though it can be difficult at times. Living together is not the same as living in community.

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Faith Schools: Bishop Marcus Stock, chair of the Bishop's Conference department for education has welcomed the governments decision to lift the admissions cap on faith-based schools. Our Diocesan Education Service would like to encourage as many school and parish communities to respond to a consultation on this announcement before the deadline of 20th June. More information: <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/government-to-lift-cap-on-faith-school-places>
Consultation: <https://consult.education.gov.uk/faith-schools-policy-team/faith-school-designation-reforms/>
Statement from Bishop Marcus Stock: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/bishop-stock-welcomes-government-decision-to-lift-cap-on-faith-school-places/>