

Parish	Collections for last Sunday				
	Gift Aid	Loose	Levy	Total	At Mass
Immaculate Conception	£241.00	£55.81	£104.46	£401.27	129
All Saints	£212.00	£114.35	£143.89	£470.24	99
St. John's	£155.00	£15.80	£21.80	<u>£192.60</u>	<u>40</u>
			Total	<u>£1064.11</u>	<u>268</u>

Parish Developments: Grateful thanks to God for your good responses so far for your contributions to the parish developments. God bless you all.

Parish Notices

* Today we celebrate **World Communications Day** Please support the retiring collection which provides funding for the Catholic Communications Network. The theme is **Communicating the Family: A Privileged Place of Encounter with the Gift of Love**. Today we are encouraged to pray for communications professionals, especially those who work in the media. Please support the CCN through your prayers and generosity in the retiring collection. Commemorative prayer cards are available.

* **Archdiocesan Retreat for Priests** will be at Buckfast Abbey from Monday 18th till Friday 22nd May. There will be no Weekday Mass this week as Fr. Edmund will be away for the retreat. Please pray for all your priests for a fruitful retreat.

* **Lay Ministers of Communion:** On Pentecost Sunday, there will be the commissioning of two new Extra-Ordinary Ministers of the Eucharist – **Joan Carroll** and **Michelle Penny** - after their training last weekend. There will also be the renewal of commitment for all other Eucharistic Ministers.

* All Saints are holding a "**Chinese Auction**" on Friday 29th May at 6:30/ 7pm. They are looking for any NEW items for this fundraising event, to be brought to the Church between Sunday 24th and Wednesday 27th May. Your help and support would be much appreciated.

* **All Saints Hall** Many thanks to the volunteer for Hall cleaning on a Tuesday evening; it is much appreciated. We are still in need of someone to help on a Wednesday morning – just once a month.



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Ascension of The Lord Year B (Mass Book p280/290) Missal: Year1

Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Fred & Mary Gerish RIP Daniel Scannell Family RIP
Ascension of The Lord	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Billy & Margaret Zeraschi Dillwyn Herbert
	10:30am	All Saints	Rosemary Glasson RIP
	5:30pm	St John's	Catherine & James Donovan
Monday 18 th May		St John's	No Masses this week. Father is on Archdiocesan retreat
Tuesday 19 th		Immaculate Conception	
Wednesday 20 th		All Saints	
Thursday 21 st		School	
Friday 22 nd		All Saints	
Saturday 23 rd	10:00am	All Saints	Thanksgiving Merrill & Ann Withanage Cliggett Family
Vigil	5:30pm	Immaculate Conception	Joan Yandle RIP; Roy Morgan; Teresa Madge & Debra Richards
Pentecost	9:00am	Immaculate Conception	Ann & Merrill Wedding Anniv. John Murwane RIP
	10:30am	All Saints	
	5:30pm	St John's	For the people

Vigil Lamps

All Saints: Our Lady Margaret Lawrence Wellbeing
 Immaculate Conception Our Lady Veronica Yandle
 Immaculate Conception Sacred Heart Michael Cooney RIP

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

All Saints: Every day from 10:00am until 6:00pm
Immaculate Conception: Friday 12 noon until 3:00pm
St John's: Monday 10:30am until 11:00am

Confessions

St John's: Sunday 5:00pm
Immaculate Conception: Saturday 5:00pm
All Saints: Saturday after Mass

From the CATECHISM of the CATHOLIC CHURCH

“So then the Lord Jesus, after he has spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God.’ Christ’s body was glorified at the moment of his resurrection, as proved by the new and supernatural properties it subsequently and permanently enjoys. But during the forty days when he eats and drinks familiarly with his disciples and teaches them about the kingdom, his glory remains veiled under the appearance of ordinary humanity. Jesus’ final apparition ends with the irreversible entry of his humanity into divine glory, symbolized by the cloud and by heaven, where he is seated from that time forward at God’s right hand. Only in a wholly exceptional and unique way would Jesus show himself to Paul ‘as to one untimely born’, in a last apparition that established him as an apostle.” (CCC, 659)

Beloved, the Ascension of Christ Jesus fills us with hope that we will follow him, and one day be with him in heaven to the praise and glory of God the Father. For us Christians, it is our hope of the great inheritance that awaits those who believe in the power of the Risen Christ. He calls us to proclaim the Good News to all creation, and through the Holy Spirit gives us many gifts to enable us to fulfil the great commission. God Love you!

Gospel Reflection *from a Parishioner*

THE HOLY GOSPEL OF MARK 16: 15 - 20

Jesus has assured us that there will be signs that will accompany "believers: in my name they will cast out devils; they will have the gift of tongues; they will pick up snakes in their hands, and be unharmed should they drink deadly poison; they will lay their hands on the sick, who will recover".

Let us take Jesus at His word and let us live the life we are called to at the service of society, and not the one proposed by society as an end in itself.

Let us celebrate the Eucharist of the Ascension asking the Lord to reveal the gift He has given us, also ask the Holy Spirit for the courage to carry out the mission He has for us.

Please pray for parishioners of our Pastoral Area, especially:

✠ ***the sick and housebound:***

Jeanette Badham, Michael Buckley, Elise Burgess, Denise Burrows, Yvonne Brown, Grant Caniff, Doris Chappell, Molly Cini, Jim Clarke, James Cullen, Maria Davies, Maria Death, Hilda Dollin, Brian Garrett, John Godfrey, Michael Gough, Margaret Griffiths, Margaret Hancock, Sally Harris, Kate Hooper, Keyon Hughes, Peggy Hutton, Nicola James, Gary Jones, Celia Jones, Leslie Jones, Mandy Jones, Yvonne Jones, Steve Joyce, Nina Kokkali, Mabel Kelly, Maria Kerwin, Margaret Lawrence, Colin Lee, Pat & Tom Markey, Eileen Michael, Louis Moorhead, Damian Morgan, Maureen Morgan, Mary Morris, Kieran Moseley, Mary Moseley, Des Murphy, Shirley Murphy, Adam Newbury, Brian Norman, Audrey Norris, Cathy O’Leary, Ruth Phillips, Jean Plummer, Bill Pritchard, Owen Pritchard, Christopher Rich, Eileen Richards, Paul Riley, Samuel Roach, Maureen Roberts, Norman Roberts, Ivor Rolfe, Paul Roper, Millie Sullivan, Mary Thomas, Nell Turner, Alison Utting, Josephine Vaughan, Grant Walshe, Rachel Watkins, Neville Whitcombe, Joan Williams, Kathleen Williams, Pam Williams, Nora Worthington, Helen Yabsley, Veronica Yandle, Tony Zeraschi, Charles Sheehy.

✠ ***Eternal Rest***

**Please pray for the happy repose of the soul of Doris Marian Lloyd who died on 8th May at the age of 101. Our sympathies and prayers go to the family.
Her funeral will take place at All Saints on Wednesday 27th May at 11:00am**

✠ ***those whose anniversary occurs at this time:***

Johnny O’Leary, Charles Williams, Emily Lowry, Andreas Eul, Lawrence Worthington, Patrick McNulty RIP

Parish Developments

We would like to apologise for any inconvenience caused by the major works for the Physical developments of the Parish. This week, the masons have cleaned and repointed the front of the church. The builders have removed the old porch and laid the foundations for the meeting room and lastly, people have commented on the church radiators being much warmer.

Could you be encouraged to contribute to these developments with your prayers, gifts and talents, and also to support materially and financially for the glory of God and the good of the Parish. Please, know that whatever contribution you will give from a generous heart will be very well appreciated and rewarded accordingly by the Lord.