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SUNDAY 05 MAY 2024 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY MESSAGE FROM FR. SHYJU	WEEKEND & WEEKDAYS HOLY MASS TIMES			
As we hear this weekend through the Gospel of John, Jesus commands us "love one another, as I have loved you". There's only one commandment God asks us to do: <i>Love God and Love People</i> . But many times, we fail to practice it. Love begins only when we like someone and know him or her more. As it becomes a part of life, we know that we have started loving that person. Same with God as with people. <i>Let us Love</i>	Datchet	Sat 04	06.00pm	Holy Souls
	Eton	Sun 05	09.30am	People of the Parish
	Datchet	Sun 05	11.00am	Michael & Sara RIP
	Datchet	Mon 06	09.30am	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Tue 07	09.30pm	Caroline Ansell RIP
	Eton	Wed 08	06.30pm	Holy Souls
	Datchet	Thu 09	09.30am	Ada Carroll RIP
	Datchet	Fri 10	09.30am	Holy Souls
Rosary: Twenty minutes prior to Holy Mass	Confession: Any Weekday after the Mass or by appointment			
Benediction: Every Thursday after 9.30am Mass	Eucharistic Adoration: Weekdays before Mass from 8.30am			

TEA & COFFEE will be served after the 9.30am Sunday Mass at Our Lady of Sorrows. Please come along.

OFFERTORY: 27/28 April: Cash £220 / SOs £230

SECOND COLLECTION will be taken this weekend for the Sick and Retired Clergy. There will be a second collection next weekend for Catholic Communications.

FEAST OF ASCENSION: This is a day of obligation. There will be a Vigil Mass at 6.30pm on Wednesday 8 May in Our Lady of Sorrows, Eton, and a Mass during the day at 9.30am on Thursday 9 May in St. Augustine's, Datchet.

SICK OF THE PARISH: Please pray for the sick in the Parish, especially James Ansell, Maria Cordosa, Maggie and Peter Darbin, Fred Flaherty, Sheila Jones, Terri Nicoll, Nino Puma, Eithne Reynolds and Roger Stewart. If anyone would like to have a priest visit them or others who are sick, kindly speak to Fr. Shyju.

PARISH COUNCIL will meet on the evening of Wednesday 8 May.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION will take place this year at the 11am Mass on Sunday 16 June in St. Augustine's Church. Please remember in your prayers, Noah and Isla, who are preparing for their First Holy Communion.

ADOREMUS: THE NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS will take place at St Mary's College, Oscott, Birmingham on Saturday 14 September 2024. The Eucharistic Procession will lead the Church in preparing for the Jubilee Year and it is hoped the day will renew and deepen our devotion to the Eucharist. Each Diocese has been allocated 44 places for this event and each Pastoral Area (we are part of the Pastoral Area of St. Peter, Slough) is invited to send 6 pilgrims. If you would like to be OUR PILGRIM please speak to Fr. Shyju.

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGES: Bookings for the pilgrimage being led by Bishop David and Canon John Udris to Northern France from 6 to 11 October have now closed. Bishop David is also leading a pilgrimage to **Rome and Assisi** from **27 March to 3 April 2025**. Further information can be found on the Church Notice Boards and online at: <https://northamptondiocese.org/rome-and-assis>

UPDATE ON PLANS FOR DATCHET CENTENARY CELEBRATIONS

Sunday 8 September 2024.

We should like as many parishioners as possible to attend the Centenary celebrations on Sunday 8 September. Therefore, there will not be a morning Mass that day in Our Lady of Sorrows, Eton and we hope everyone will attend the 11.00am Mass in St Augustine's, celebrated by Bishop David. There will be an evening Mass in Our Lady of Sorrows the day before (Saturday 7 September).

The Sunday 8 September Mass will be followed by lunch, provided by outside caterers and will include a welcome drink, and wine and soft drinks on the table. To offset the cost of this, we are going to make a small charge of £10 for a ticket (£5 for children). Those wishing to sign up to attend can do so as of late June.

We wish to make the Mass as beautiful as possible with music and would like volunteers to come forward, who would like to lead the singing in a small group and / or sing an anthem, for example Panis Angelicus after Communion. Please do not hesitate to come forward if you would like to help with this. Contact Ros Nockles on 07814 470 814.

The Parish Pilgrimage will be on **Saturday 28 September**. Further details will follow, but please note the date in your diary.

WANTED FOR OUR CENTENARY LUNCH TABLES: If you have any unwanted artificial flowers in a small/ medium size and which are white or yellow in colour and / or any lengths of light or dark green ribbon, please donate them to Maureen Byerley who will be making table decorations for our Centenary Lunch. Please place your flower and ribbon donations in the box by St. Joseph's statue in St. Augustine's Church.

CATHOLIC CERTIFICATE IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES: Would you like to learn more about your faith? This course is open to all... Consider joining online to follow the Catholic Certificate in Religious Studies (CCRS) or the Diocesan Certificate in Religious Studies (DCRS). Both courses offer the same eight modules in Scripture and Catholic Theology with the CCRS leading to a nationally recognised qualification. Those who follow the CCRS / DCRS say they gain a great deal from the course, deepening their knowledge and understanding of their faith. The link to find out more about the course: <https://northamptondioceseschools.org/ccrs/>

WOMEN IN MINISTRY: The Diocesan Women in Ministry group has been active for a number of years and want to invite the women of our Parish to their next gathering on June 8 at St Mary's Woburn Sands, 10am until 4pm. This is an opportunity to reflect on women in the catholic church, their calling and vocation, their gifts and ministries, their voice in the synod and a chance to listen, pray, share, and reflect. For more information please email helen.burgess@northamptondiocese.org.

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SUPPORT THE FOODBANK

The need for donations of food and toiletries for the Slough Foodbank remains great. Please try and donate items to the Foodbank on a regular basis. Boxes for donations can be found in each Church.

The items on their April Shopping List are:

Food Urgent: long life fruit juice, tinned fruit, tinned tuna, tinned vegetables, long life custard, cooking sauces, coffee, tinned spaghetti, long-life milk, instant mash, soup, long-life rice pudding

Always required: tea, long life sponge puddings, tinned tomatoes, tinned meat

Please note they have a 12 month supply of PASTA. It is NOT NEEDED

Toiletries & Basic Items Urgent: washing up liquid, shampoo, deodorant, shaving foam/gel, toothpaste, child toothbrushes, nappies size 6+, 7 & 8

Always required: soap, toilet rolls, strong carrier bags