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# Fr Albert Ofere

# 6th Sunday of Easter 22nd May 2022

"We are the Easter People and Alleluía is our Song"



**Pope Francis Prayer Intention for May:** For faith-filled young people - We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

Sun 22nd	(Sat) 6 p.m. 9.00 a.m. 11.00 a.m. 6 p.m.	A J Borges & M C Coutinho R.I.P. The Coyne Family R.I.P. C Fernandes Birthday P Feury R.I.P.; W P Johns R.I.P. People of the Parish	
Mon 23rd	Easter Feria	B Moran R.I.P.	
Tues 24th	Easter Feria	S O'Reilly R.I.P.	Confirmation 7 p.m.
Wed 25th	St Bede the Venerable	O'Connor Family Thanks	
Thurs 26th	Ascension of the Lord	9.30 a.m. St Margaret's Int; 7 p.m. People of the Parish	Exposition until 11 a.m.
Fri 27th	St Augustine of Canterbury	P D Dias R.I.P. F R Anaman R.I.P.	
Sat 28th	Easter Feria	Sick & Housebound of Parish	Reconciliation 10.40 a.m. & 5.15 p.m.

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## **God's Home**

**M**aking a home is a big opportunity of love for a husband, a wife and a family. They try to make it their own: pictures and memorabilia here and there make a home out a house. It doesn't have to be perfect. They want others to be able to feel at home in their home also.

It is the same with Jesus. In our hearts and the depths of our personality he makes a home for himself and the father. He asks for a loving and welcoming heart, not a place that is perfect. tidy and clean. To make a home is a work of love. Jesus' making of a home in us comes through our growth in development and love. The loving marriage and family, the loving friendship, the heart that cares for others, these are what make Jesus feel at home.

Is this a strange way of looking on God? We think of God in the power of nature and almost the maker of history. God seems to reject all this all powerful view of himself and makes himself accessible in the home of our hearts.

Home is a place of help. We look out for each other and the contented home is where each cares for the other. St Ignatius used say each day, 'Who can I help today?' Maybe we can make that part of the music of our homes. This is God helping through you, and it is God finding us and each other in love.

Lord, open my heart to prayer and care this day.

Open my eyes to the beauty and problems of others.

Open my heart to your love for me.



• The Ascension of the Lord is on Thursday. It is a Holyday Day of Obligation there will be Mass at 9.30 a.m. & 7 p.m.

- **Fr Albert** will be available on Mondays from **6.00 p.m. 7.30 p.m.** to see parishioners regarding non urgent matters, including the signing of passports and other forms.
- Today we welcome to the Lord's Table Eva, Ashley, Kimberley, Tiana, Natalie, Layla, Leah Ashika, Ayanna, Jonathan, Edward, Jackress, Patrick, Alex, Jay, Nico, Nishane, Jeremiah and M'leiya Skye Please remember them in your prayers.





- Confirmation 2022: Bishop John Sherrington will be with us on Tuesday at the 7 p.m. to confirm 20 of our young people. Please remember Marie Ann, Martyna C, Mara, Dachlan, Ava, Jones, Alan, Minsadi, Tenuja, Jemima, Adrian, Martyna K, Jakub, Sherna, Aldiz, Jacek, Emilia, Oshane, Veroshka and Natalia. Please remember them and their families in your prayers.
- Thank you to the catechists who have helped prepare the candidates over the past few months.
- Confirmation Certificates will be presented to the candidates on Pentecost Sunday 5th June at the 11 a.m. Mass.

## Act of Spiritual Communion:

My Jesus,

I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar.

I love you above all things

and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.

Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally,

come spiritually into my soul

so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and

forever. Amen

- **Final session for First Communion** children will be on Thursday, June 9 at 6 p.m.
- Final parents meeting on Thursday, 16th at 7 p.m. Photographs will be available on that evening. Photos can be viewed and ordered on <a href="http://www.emwp-photography.blogspot.com/">http://www.emwp-photography.blogspot.com/</a>
- Children will be presented with the certificates on Sunday 19th June at 11 a.m. Mass.
- Novena to the Holy Spirit begins on Friday. Prayers on our website <a href="http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleypark">http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/wembleypark</a>
- <u>Pentecost Sunday</u> is on 5th June. Let's celebrate our unity and diversity. If you would like to be involved or can help with food for the shared lunch after 11 a.m. Mass. Please email <u>wembley2@rcdow.org.uk</u> or text 07484680296
- St Margaret Clitherow Food Bank: Donations can be dropped at the school or the church. Thank you for your generosity.
- Foodbank is open Monday Friday 12 1 p.m.
- **Sponsored Walk:** Mary Boyle will be taking part in St Luke's Hospice annual long distance walk "St Oswald's Way Kirkwhelpington Bamburgh" at the end of the month. Sponsorship forms will be available in the porch for anyone wishing to sponsor Mary. <a href="www.just-giving.com/fundraising/mary-boyle4">www.just-giving.com/fundraising/mary-boyle4</a> Thank you.

**Church Offerings by Card,** using the **contactless terminal** at the back of the church. A big thank you to everyone who continues to support our church financially.



Last Week's Collection: Envelope: £763 Loose Plate: £978

Contactless: £50
Building Fund: £45

## **REGINA COELI**

V: O Queen of heaven, rejoice,

#### R: alleluia

V: For he, whom you were worthy to bear,

## R: alleluia!

V: Has risen, as he said,

#### R: alleluia!

V: Pray for us to God,

#### R: alleluia!

V: Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia!

#### R: For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia!

Let us pray: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son our Lord Jesus Christ; grant that we may obtain, through his Virgin Mother, Mary, the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen