



# The Parishes of Our Lady of the Assumption, Maryvale and Christ the King, Kingstanding



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Hymns: OLAM: E: 67; O: 268; C: 65; R: 285

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32(33):1-2,4-5,18-19

**R: May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.**

## MASSES THIS WEEK

## SUNDAY OBLIGATION HAS BEEN REINSTATED BY THE BISHOPS

Sat	06/05/23	Easter Feria	10:00 Mon	Maria TL Pham & Joseph VT Nguyen
		<b>Fifth Sunday of Easter</b>	12:30 CTK	Kellan Whitehouse (RIP)
18:00 OLAM†	Eileen Zegiestowski (RIP Ann)			
Sun 07/05/23	10:00 CTK		James Fisher (Ann)	
	11:30 OLAM		Fr. Matthew O.S.B. Tylor	
Mon	08/05/23	Easter Feria	08:00 Con.†	Peter Ng V. Khang (RIP)
			09:30 Mon.	John Roche (RIP)
Tue	09/05/23	Easter Feria	09:30 Mon.	Special Intentions
Wed	10/05/23	Easter Feria	08:00 Con.†	Special Intentions
			09:30 Mon.	Shaun Avery (Pain)
Thu	11/05/23	Easter Feria	09:30 Mon.†	Janina & Krystyna
			10:30 MPS	PEOPLE OF THE PARISHES
			12:00 CTK	Special Intention
Fri	12/05/23	Easter Feria	09:30 Mon.†	Mark & Tom
Sat	13/05/23	Easter Feria	10:00 Mon	Private Intentions
			12:00 CTK	<b>Wedding:</b> Daniel McNeill & Jordan Morris
			12:30 OLAM	Alf Broth (Ann)
			18:00 OLAM	Kitty Heaney
Sun	14/05/23	<b>Sixth Sunday of Easter</b>	10:00 CTK	Mary Levell (RIP)
			11:30 OLAM†	Joan & Eric Fielding (RIP)

**Bible Study** with Deacon Dominic Fahey in the Guild Room at Christ The King **every Tuesday** at 7:00pm.

**Rosary Group:** meeting **every Wednesday** in Christ the King Church at 1:30pm.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:** Ron & Monique Hunt, Jean McCabe, Luke Byrne, Muriel Cowan, Paul Cowan, John & Sandra Mageean, Gerald, Sarah McCallion, Audrey Vickers, John, Sadie Pulido, Mary McGee, Claire & Mark, Jo Teece, Mary Ann Gniadkowski, Niamh O' Reilly, Carole Smith, Alan Rowan, Kyle Billing, Nicola Jones, Daniel Kelly, Patricia Nash, Alberto Bolongaro, Arjun Paul, Teresa Webb, Mary Hickey, Sr Marie, Carol Timmis, Angela Madigan, Elizabeth Teague, Joanne Fields and David Cotton. **Please pray for them and their families.**

**RIP:** Pray for Michelle Green, Margaret Gannon, Pauline Brittle, John Connaire, Francis Renders and Kathleen Healy who all passed away recently & for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they rest in peace.

**Funerals:** Michelle Green: OLAM, Mon 15/05/23, 11:00; Margaret Gannon: CTK, Wed 17/05/23, 11:30; Pauline Brittle: CTK, Wed 31/05/23, 12:00; Kathleen Healy: CTK, Fri 02/06/23, 11:30.

**THE SANCTUARY LAMP**, which burns to indicate the presence of the Blessed Sacrament on the Altar, is **dedicated throughout May, for members of the Ollerenshaw family circle**, both living and deceased.

**Baptism Preparation Meeting:** There is a meeting at Christ the King Church this Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 3:00pm.

**Choir Camp 2023 With Dana:** A singing weekend for all ages and abilities takes place at Dunfield House, Herefordshire from 2<sup>nd</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> June with Eurovision legend Dana. For more information, call 01922 915 230.

**Last Weeks' Collection CTK**

Loose:	£	277.78
Envelopes:	£	111.00
Standing Orders:	£	265.84
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>909.89</b>

**Last Weeks' Collection OLAM**

Loose:	£	135.71
Envelopes:	£	156.10
Standing Orders:	£	250.38
<b>Total:</b>	<b>£</b>	<b>542.19</b>

**Last Week's 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection for Clergy Training Fund: £439.82 (Both Parishes Combined)**

Christ the King		6 <sup>th</sup> /7 <sup>th</sup> May	13 <sup>th</sup> /14 <sup>th</sup> May
Sat 12:30	Minister of the Word	Kathleen Foxall	Kathleen Foxall
	Minister of Holy Communion	Ordinary Minister	Sue Nugent
Sun 10.00	Minister of the Word	Patience/Maggi	Theresa
	Minister of Holy Communion	Marianne	Sr Michele

**Banns of Marriage between Daniel McNeill and Jordan Morris of the Parish of Christ the King.** If anybody knows any cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in Holy Matrimony, please declare it. This is for the second publication of the required Banns.

**Our Celebration of Father Thé's Silver Jubilee** 12 days ago will not be the only opportunity to give thanks for his priestly service, and especially for his ministry within our twin parishes. There will be a Mass of Thanksgiving at 3 pm on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June at CTK, followed by a reception in the Kingstanding Inn. All are welcome.

**An Irish Variety Concert** featuring Little Jimmy, John Murphy, Peter Collins, Michael Kelly & "The Boys In Green" will be held at Maryvale Community Centre on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 p.m. This is a great chance for members of both Parishes to get together, especially with the evenings being brighter. Tickets £6 (including light refreshments – bring your own drinks) can be obtained from Michael Collins at Maryvale (Tel: 07941 250362).

**Message from Alex Richards (Altar Server at Maryvale)** "Thanks to everyone who has helped my twin brother and I in our fundraising efforts to support us in our 1<sup>st</sup> ever trip to Lourdes, where we will be volunteering to help less abled pilgrims participate fully in this wonderful experience. If anyone would like us to take their private intentions to the Shrine or bring back small bottles of Holy Water, please let us know through Fr. The or one of the Deacons".

**Bethsaida** is a free training course for over 18s, covering 6 subjects: **1)** Called to a definite service; **2)** Creating an engaging youth programme; **3)** Sharing our faith; **4)** Group work and leadership (for young people and leaders); **5)** Creating a safe environment (GDPR, Safeguarding); **6)** Digital ministry. The above sessions take place over Zoom between 7pm – 9 pm on the following Wed evenings: 26<sup>th</sup> Apr, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> May. This course is totally free, has been really popular, and will be provided by experienced professionals in the field of parish ministry. If you (or someone you know) would like to talk part, please email me [freya.scott@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk](mailto:freya.scott@kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk) and I can send you a sign-up form and the Zoom link.

**Don't Forget To Continue To Vote For Maryvale When Shopping At Tesco's:** It won't cost you a penny – just do your shopping as normal, pick up some blue tokens at the till and place them in the Perspex container on your way out. The Maryvale Community Project, which runs activities for the elderly/people with disabilities, are still in 2<sup>nd</sup> place, so your vote might just make all the difference and gain them a financial grant.

**Parish Council Meeting**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Wed 24<sup>th</sup> May 2023 at 7 pm in Maryvale Community Centre. The Agenda always has a place reserved for any comments/suggestions from the congregation, so if there is anything you would like the Council to consider, please speak to any of the Parish Council Members after Mass.

**Gospel Commentary - Fr Donagh O'Shea**

"I go to prepare a place for you," Jesus said. We should not think of it as a physical space, but inevitably we do: that is how our imaginations work. But we can free up the image a little, as St Teresa does with the 'interior castle'. Eternal life does not mean being fixed as in amber; we will be *alive* in God, not dead in God. God is a God of the living, as Jesus said (Matthew 22:32).

"I am the Way," Jesus said. Not a physical path, nor a programme, but a person whom we know. We have seen him on his way: it is a way of forgiveness, love, hope, justice. No-one can come to God by force or violence, by tricks or shortcuts....

"I am the Truth," he said. Truth is not abstract. It is living in the eyes and mind and heart of this Friend. We cannot reach it simply by thinking, nor even by agonising about it; it is not a formula or a theory; it is word made flesh. "I am the Life," he said. Not just survival, nor half-life, but life to the full. Not a question endlessly deferred, but life here, now, within our grasp.

"Lord, show us the Father," said Philip. His request echoed that of Moses, who said to God, "Show me your glory" (Exodus 33:18). He believed that Jesus was capable of organising an experience for them such as that of Moses or Isaiah. There was daring in the question: God had replied to Moses' request, "You cannot see my face; for no-one shall see me and live" (Exodus 33:20). His reply to Philip has shaped Christian awareness of Jesus' identity, "Whoever has seen me, has seen the Father.... I am in the Father and the Father is in me" (see also John 10:38). He does not simply *represent* the Father, he *presents* him. His words and actions have the Father as their source. "The one who believes in me will also do the works that I do". His works have the Father as their source; so a disciple's works too have the Father as their source. Our actions are to be born, like Jesus himself, "not of blood or of the will of the flesh or of the will of man, but of God." (John 1:13).