

NEWS AND VIEWS

Youth Jubilee Year 2025 this begins from 28th July till 3rd August 2025 in Rome. This opportunity is for Young adults 18 years and above. On that note we shall be collecting second collection every second Sunday of the month for this month it is this weekend **(10th/11th May)** to support the young people going for this trip. So far individual parishioners have been so generous with their donations. God bless all of us for supporting our young people on their journey of faith.

Priest Training Fund Collection: This collection will be taken on the **17th/18th** May weekend. Please take an envelope today and give your support.

Parish Pentecost Feast Sunday 8th June: Pentecost marks the coming of the Holy Spirit to empower and also bring harmony in the increasing diversity of the early Church. On Pentecost Sunday **(8th June)** beginning with the 11.30am mass, we shall celebrate the richness of our cultural diversity in the parish. As much as possible, we aim to incorporate some bits of every culture in the parish into the celebrations. More details to follow soon.

Prayer & Life workshops: A prayer and life workshop for adults continues to hold every Thursday going forward. We encourage more parishioners to take part. For more information Contact **Mary: 07828455333 or Thelma: 07404026955.**

Confirmation Classes 6.30pm: Wed, May 21st, June 4th, 18th, July 2nd, Sat. 5th (Rehearsals). Bishop Hudson will celebrate the **Confirmation Mass on 6th July at 11.30am.**

MAY DIARY

Weekend 10th/11th: **Young Adults Pilgrims of Hope Rome trip collection**

Monday 12th @ 6pm: **PAT meeting in the meeting room**

Weekend 17th/18th: **Priest Training Fund collection**

Every Last Saturday of the month: **Baptism (always confirm in the parish office)**

Every Saturday at 10.30am: **Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions in the main Sacristy**

Every Saturday evening after Mass: **Bingo in the meeting room**

Every Tuesday after the noon Mass: **Parish social forum in the Meeting Room**

Every 1st Friday 12 noon: **Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction followed by 100 Club in the Meeting Room 7.45pm**
Parish Quiz in the Meeting Room.

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FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"Surround yourself with people who will lift you higher."

"No one is perfect that's why pencils have erasers."



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4th Sunday of Easter/ Year C

11th May 2025



We welcome all to today's mass especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

Today is Good Shepherd Sunday; a day that Christians are invited to reflect on the meaning of God's call and to pray for vocations to the various ministries in the Church especially to that of priesthood and the religious life. Right from the Old Testament, God established the priesthood as a means to facilitate His relationship with His people. But the priesthood became defective; priests became too self-absorbed and their routine work of making burnt offerings to atone for people's sins could not lead to a change of heart in people which God desires. God therefore re-established a new priesthood in the model of the Good Shepherd who lives totally for his sheep. This is the priesthood which Christ models. It is the ministerial priesthood to which priests are called. We pray that our priests shall have the courage, strength and humility to give themselves in service to the flock of God in the footsteps of the Good Shepherd who generously gives himself to his flock even unto death. In a general way however, sharing in the priesthood of Christ through baptism, every Christian is called to share in the work of caring for God's flock. Indeed, the important message of today is that every single person here has a vocation, every single person here has been and is being called by God through the Holy Spirit to offer their special gifts to the rest of the community. So, what is your vocation? What is your special gift? What contributions are you making to the life of this parish and to the life of your community? Today we are asked to "pray" for vocations. There is a danger that, although many will fervently do so, they are praying for other people's vocations and not their own. To say this prayer with sincerity involves my reflecting on how God is asking me to make a meaningful contribution of myself to the building up of my community, my parish.

Mass Times & Intentions 11th – 17th May 2025

Sat 10th 6:30pm: Housebound Parishioners

Sun 11th 9:00am: Stefania Ambanelli née Medioli **(RIP)**, Private intentions, Mary Conway, Maura Eivers **(INT)**

11:30am: Jerry Reilly (posthumous birthday), Mary Lynch, Teodoro Mario **(RIP)**, Deceased members of the Lehan family **(ANN)**, Anastasia Nervais **(INT)**

6:30pm: Priests and People of the Parish

Mon 12th 12 noon: Bill Grimes, Marcus Perdiguero, Anna Marie Lydon, Joe Sheeran, Anthony Conmy **(RIP)**, Maria Elena Miguel, Josie Ferris **(INT)**

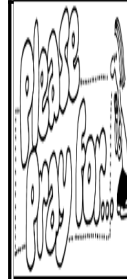
Tue 13th Our Lady of Fatima 12 noon: Anna Marie Lydon, Gerald McDonald, O'Connell family, Martin Fallon **(RIP)**, Augustine Jn Baptiste, Nora Connell (13th) **(ANN)**, Gabby & family, Bertie Fitzpatrick, Bingo Club members **(INT)**

Wed 14th St Matthias 12 noon: Mary Rudden **(RIP)**, Joan McDonald (Birthday) **(INT)**

Thurs 15th 12 noon: Mary Brennan & family **(INT)**

Fri 16th: Martin O'Dea (9th) **(ANN)**, Betty McDonald & family **(INT)**

Sat 17th 12 noon: Anna Marie Lydon (Month's Mind), John Foley, Duffy family **(RIP)**



Rebecca Campbell, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Jarlet Fallon, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Mary Dunne, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Madeleine Hourihan, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Gloria Munian, Teresa O'Dea, Percy Shackell, Eddy Renwick, Gino Avanzi, Nicholas Stephens, Anastasia Nervais, Margaret Foley, Prince Henshaw, John Alan, Rashmi, Joan Fitzgerald, Savindra de Alwis, Padra Williams, Winston Fernando, Lourdes Bastardo, Norman Wills, Cronin Hehir, Maura O'Leary, Artoro Davila, Margaret Nelson, Mary Brady, Teresa McDonagh, Dee-Arn Sewell, Christine Cheah, Valentine Olayemi, Mary Mullee, Elizabeth Ortega, Gomes family, John Mackay

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

Parish Priests: Fr. Moses Enchizena CSSp, Fr Augustine Isah Katuka CSSp, Fr Martin Goba CSSp

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Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, before Masses **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary:** Sun. 10.30am

Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays 12noon **Prayer/Faith Group:** Sat. 10am

Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY’S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

OPENING PRAYER

Almighty ever-living God, lead us to a share in the joys of heaven, so that the humble flock may reach where the brave Shepherd has gone before. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

Acts 13:14.43-52

In those days: Paul and Barnabas went on from Perga and came to Antioch in Pisidia. And on the Sabbath day they went into the synagogue and sat down. Many Jews and devout converts to Judaism followed Paul and Barnabas, who, as they spoke with them, urged them to continue in the grace of God. The next Sabbath almost the whole city gathered to hear the word of the Lord. But when the Jews saw the crowds, they were filled with jealousy and began to contradict what was spoken by Paul, reviling him. And Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly, saying, ‘It was necessary that the word of God be spoken first to you. Since you thrust it aside and judge yourselves unworthy of eternal life, behold, we are turning to the Gentiles. For so the Lord has commanded us, saying, “I have made you a light for the Gentiles, that you may bring salvation to the ends of the earth.”’ And when the Gentiles heard this, they began rejoicing and glorifying the word of the Lord, and as many as were appointed to eternal life believed. And the word of the Lord was spreading throughout the whole region. But the Jews incited the devout women of high standing and the leading men of the city, stirred up persecution against Paul and Barnabas, and drove them out of their district. But they shook off the dust from their feet against them and went to Iconium. And the disciples were filled with joy and with the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Psalm 99)

R. **We are his people, the sheep of his flock**

Cry out with joy to the LORD, all the earth.
Serve the LORD with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R.**

Know that he, the LORD, is God.
He made us; we belong to him.
We are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R.**

Indeed, how good is the LORD,
eternal his merciful love. **R.**
He is faithful from age to age.

SECOND READING **Revelation 7:9. 14-17**

I, John, looked, and behold, a great multitude that no one could number, from every nation, from all tribes and peoples and languages, standing before the throne and before the Lamb, clothed in white robes, with palm branches in their hands. Then one of the elders addressed me, saying, ‘These are the ones coming out of the great tribulation. They have washed their robes and made them white in the blood of the Lamb. Therefore, they are before the throne of God, and serve him day and night in his temple; and he who sits on the throne will shelter them with his presence. They shall hunger no more, neither thirst anymore; the sun shall not strike them, nor any scorching heat. For the Lamb in the midst of the throne will be their shepherd, and he will guide them to springs of living water, and God will wipe away every tear from their eyes.’

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord.
I know my sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia.

GOSPEL **John 10:27-30**

At that time: Jesus said, ‘My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me. I give them eternal life, and they will never perish, and no one will snatch them out of my hand. My Father, who has given them to me, is greater than all, and no one is able to snatch them out of the Father’s hand. I and the Father are one.’

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries, so that the renewal constantly at work within us may be the cause of our unending joy. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd, and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures the sheep you have redeemed by the Precious Blood of your Son. Who lives and reigns for ever **and ever.**

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER (For Online Mass)

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Mass

Sat. 6.30pm
Sun. 9.00am
Sun. 11.30am
Sun. 6.30pm

Readers

Bridget O’Dea
Paula Zanne
Tracey Mullett
Maureen Tayler

Eucharist Minister

Debra
Innocent
June G & Roxanne
Michelle Carr

Stewards

Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers
Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Bernie Shevlin/Joseph Baffoe
Joseph Ogbonna

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.
We praise You, We bless You,
We adore you, We glorify You,
We give You thanks for Your great glory.
Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father.
Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son.
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer.
You are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.
For you alone are the Holy One,
You alone are the Lord.
You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God; begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, (*all bow*) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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- ☐ Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- ☐ There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children’s Liturgy & Catechism
- ☐ Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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