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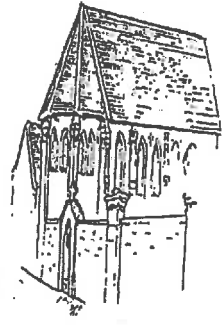
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5th Sunday of Easter (Year A) 14 May 2017

Services for the week beginning 14 May

*Morning Prayer of the Church is prayed
Monday - Friday at 9.00am in the Lady Chapel.*

Sat 13	6.00pm	Hannah Taylor (intentions)
Sun 14	9.00am 11.00am	People of the Parish Kole Nika RIP
Mon 15	9.15am	Josie Farrell RIP (A)
Tues 16	9.15am 10.30am	Charles & Rosanna Graves (RIP) Infant Prayer Services (School)
Wed 17	9.15am	Eucharistic Service
Thurs 18	9.15am 12.00pm	Patrick & Mary Connaghan RIP (phase 3 School) Convalidation
Fri 19	9.15am 10.00am	Podge Dinneen RIP School Assembly
Sat 20	5.15pm 6.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation Maureen Hulse RIP
Sun 21	9.00am 11.00am	Deceased Sisters of the Sacred Heart of Mary Len Graves RIP (A)

From Fr. Sean,

Amidst all the turbulences and sadnesses of recent times you may have missed something of great significance: Leyton Orient were relegated from the Football League for the first time in 112 years. As the game has become bloated on the millions pouring into it over the past couple of decades and community ties have been severed, I have lost interest, save for the current little local matter of the weekly trials of West Ham United, and my own very local team growing up in Walthamstow, the Os. Aside from a memorable F.A. Cup semi against Arsenal and occasional movement between divisions, Orient never blazed a trail but were always a decent lower league side who in quite recent times had pretensions of getting into the Championship, the level they did well at in my childhood. I understand that there was huge anger from the diehard fans when the club was sold to an overseas owner and then essentially mismanaged into near extinction. Like so much of what goes on around us everyday on our doorstep, it seems that people with money have the power to come into our communities and do what they want to regardless of the consequences for those who have to live here; so I understand the anger and the mourning. It feels like a part of my childhood has died. But, as we members of the Church should be only too aware, no institution has the right to exist just because it does. We all have the obligation passed on from previous generations to build a more faithful Church for those who will come after us. Comfortingly, my ultra local, and fine amateur team, Walthamstow Avenue, were resurrected with others as Dagenham and Redbridge some years ago, and have just missed out on a place in the Football League. Who knows? Maybe, keeping our hopes alive, next year they and Leyton Orient will be back.

Parish Diary

Mon	Finance Committee	6.30pm	No. 146
Tues	Prayer Group	9.45am	Community Room
Wed	Senior Citizens	2 - 4 pm	Community Room
Sat	Migrants' Mass	11.00am	St. Antony's Church

Please pray for those who are sick:

Norah Crow, Masaldo Merry, Clare O'Toole,
Denzil Lang, John Oruche, Patrick Berton,
Alvina Telles, Jude Telles, Christine Jones,
& Christine Kristen

Rotas for weekend 20/21 May

	Readers	Eucharist	Children's Liturgy
6.00pm	Sarah Brant, Lydia David	Comfort Obi, Christine Malone	
9.00am	Anusha, Tunde Awolesi	Mary Jane Ememe, Maria Emillion, Earnest Peter, Hazel Ringrow, Peter Da Costa	
11.00am	Sr. Ugochi, Lucy Achola	Imelda Sotto, Joseph Duke, Hilda Ridoyouth, Rowland Okereke, Stella Porritt	

First Holy Communion. The first groups of children will be making their first communion at all masses this weekend, and the last group at 11.00am mass on 21 May. All families are invited to return on 28 May at 11.00am mass to receive their certificates, and children are invited to dress up for that occasion if they so wish.

Senior Citizens. Our next gathering takes place on Wednesday 17 May at 2.00pm - 4.00pm in the Community Room. A warm welcome to old hands and newcomers alike, plenty of lively conversation and delightful home made refreshments will be available, so come and join us as guest or helper.

Parish Pastoral Council. A reminder to all Councillors that we meet again on Monday 22 May in the Community Room. Refreshments and the opportunity to get to know others better available from 7.15pm for a prompt start at 7.30pm.

Finance Committee.

A reminder that we will be meeting on Monday 15 May at 6.30pm in No. 146.

Vacancy – Bookkeeper/Administrative Assistant required to support the Finance Office and parishes at Cathedral House, Brentwood. The role is part-time, working four days a week (28 hours). If you – or any of your family or friends – are interested in this role, please first send an e-mail to finance-recruitment@dioceseofbrentwood.org to ask for a copy of the job description and person specification. You should then send in your CV, with a covering letter demonstrating how your experience and skills match the essential requirements and attributes of the role as per the job description and person specification. Please only apply if you can provide evidence of your bookkeeping experience. Closing date for CVs/applications is Friday 19th May 2017; interviews and tests to take place Thursday 25th May 2017

Migrants' Mass Saturday 20 May.

The 12th Migrants' Mass is being hosted this year by our diocese for the first time at St Anthony of Padua, Forest Gate. In honour of St. Joseph the Worker the Dioceses of Westminster, Southwark & Brentwood come together to celebrate the international nature of our churches, the work migrants contribute to our society, our concern for their welfare, welcome and human dignity. Banners assemble at 10.30am on the Priory Lawn, mass begins at 11.00am. Bishop Alan will be the principle celebrant. In a climate that has got significantly chillier towards the stranger in our midst, I would encourage you come and take part in what is always a fantastic spectacle and representation of our churches.

Easter memorial Mass.

You are invited to join with all those who have been bereaved in the past year for our Easter Memorial Mass on Saturday 27 May at 12.15pm, when we will remember all our loved ones who have died, especially those who have died in the past year. If you would like someone who has died in the last twelve months to be remembered please write their name down marked memorial mass and hand it in by Sunday 21 May.

Lourdes Pilgrimage 29 May - 2 June. By air with Westcliff Parish. Staying at 4star hotel on full board basis. £545 per adult based, upon two adults sharing a room. If you are interested in joining you will be made most welcome. Single supplement applies. Further details please ring 07979 746707 or Church office 01702 342324. We have pilgrims joining from many different parishes. Full spiritual programme.

*Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 5.15pm-5.45pm and by appointment.
Weddings (minimum 6 months notice) and Baptisms (minimum 2 months notice) are by appointment.
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