

Mass Times for the Week

10-16 May 2009		Cricklade	Reconciliation	9-9.20am	
Fifth Sunday	of Easter		Mass	9.30am	
		Fairford	Mass	11.00am	<i>Graziella Medina RIP</i>
Monday 11	<i>Weekday of Easter</i>	Fairford	No Mass		
Tuesday 12	<i>Weekday of Easter</i>	Cricklade	Mass	7.00pm	
Wednesday 13	<i>Weekday of Easter</i>	Fairford	Rosary	6.00pm	
			Mass	6.30pm	
Thursday 14	<i>St Mathias</i>	Fairford	Mass	9.00am	
Friday 15	<i>Weekday of Easter</i>	Cricklade		10.00am	
Saturday 16	<i>Weekday of Easter</i>	Fairford	Reconciliation	9-9.30am	
			Mass	10.00am	
Sixth Sunday	of Easter	Fairford	Vigil Mass	6.00pm	

Sunday Readings: Year B

Prayer of the Church: Pss 1 & Proper of Season.

Please pray for the sick and housebound:

Gwen Crampsie, Anna Herman, Adona & Sev Gander, Fr Antony Fejer, Iona McVean, Sarah Brophy, June Howell, Gerry Drumm, Margaret Stephenson, Jonathan, son of Rev. Christopher & Chantal Bryan (Lechlade).

Please pray for those who anniversaries occur at this time: Herbert Hunt, Elizabeth Lydan, Peggy Etherington, Cathleen Crellin, Jim Barrett.

Vouchers

Tesco and Sainsbury Supermarkets are giving vouchers for Schools (and Clubs). If you have any and would like to donate them for our local schools please place them in the plastic sleeve on the notice board.

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St Thomas of Canterbury, Fairford, and St Mary's, Cricklade

Newsletter

10 May 2009

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Liturgy Notes

Some of those who took part in recent sessions on the Liturgy have suggested that brief notes on some of the key points raised should be shared with the whole parish. The first instalment is enclosed. You may like to keep the series.

Our Lady's statue

After the 11.00am Mass at St Thomas' on Sunday 17 May there will be a procession and crowning of Our Lady's statue in the garden.

Sister Marie Dominique

There will be a Memorial Mass for Sr Marie Dominique, former Headmistress of St Clotilde's School, in Lechlade Parish Church, on Saturday 20 June at 2.00pm. Further details will be announced soon.

Readers

During Masses on 30/31 May, Pentecost Sunday, Readers will be recommissioned. We are grateful to all those who carry out this ministry. New Readers are always welcome. If you are interested, please speak to father Philip.

Calling all CHRISTIAN AID & CAFOD COLLECTORS & WORKERS!!!!

You are invited to call in for LUNCH between 11.30 and 14.30 on Saturday 23 May at 2 Fray's Garden, Bath Road, Cricklade. Food & non-alcoholic drinks provided – bring wine!

Know Him more clearly

The next meeting (both groups) is on Wednesday 13 May at 7.15pm in the Presbytery.

Consumed by Love

To help prepare for the visit of the relics of St Therese of Lisieux to our diocese this September, a special event is taking place in Taunton. Expert on the life of the saint, Canon John Udris will tell the story of the Little Flower. All are welcome at St Theresa of Lisieux, Eastwick Road, Taunton, TA2 7HF on Monday 18 May at 7.30pm. Further details from the diocesan website.

Vacancy

Holy Rood Catholic Infant School has a vacancy for a Reception Class Teacher, a one year fixed term contract starting in September. The Governors are seeking an enthusiastic and caring teacher to work as part of a highly committed team within the Catholic ethos of the school. Practicing Catholic preferred. Application forms and further details are available from the school. Tel: 01793 523802 or email admin@holyrood-inf.swindon.sch.uk. Visits welcome. Closing date for applications Wednesday 13 May.

RCIA and the Parish Community

A day is being held on Tuesday 30 June (11am – 4pm) led by the National RCIA Team. It aims to show how the RCIA process of bringing people into the Church should involve the whole parish community and not just a few people. The day will be at Newman Hall, Grange Court Road, Westbury-on-Trym, Bristol BS9 4DR. Coffee from 10.30am. Bring packed lunch. More details from Ronnie Mitchinson on 0117 9025595 (ronnie.mitchinson@cliftondiocese.com).

Displaced Persons Camp

This year is 50 years since the camp in Fairford closed. It housed many Polish families displaced during the Second World War. There is to be a commemoration marking the occasion, and a plaque is to be erected on 30 May at 11am. This will be by the gate where the chapel used to stand, by Pitham Path. All members of the parish are welcome to attend, and are also invited to a reception afterwards at the Fairford Community Centre. There will be a related display and refreshments provided by the History Society.

WAGS

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 13 May in the Presbytery, Fairford. Contact Sue Coakley 01367 253306.

Collections for 3 May

Fairford: £110.20 Cricklade £203.51
Candles:£16.15 RTU: £6.62 Plant Sale: £42.62
Donations: £105 from Lent Lunches (Churches Together, Fairford).

To contribute via Gift Aid contact: James Midwood 01367 252107. Gift Aid standing orders (net) for April: - to Parish £2187 to Children's Society £27.

'155' Club

If you wish to join, we have quite a few numbers spare, please contact Gerry Dudley (Cricklade) 01793 750107 or Pat Egerton (Fairford) 01285 712734.

Donations

There are plants outside the church at St Thomas'. Please place suitable donations for these items in the box provided. If we price items we are liable for tax.

There is also a new wooden child's table and 2 chairs, offers in the region of £20 ono. Please ask Fr Philip to view.

MASS TEXT

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Sing to the Lord a new song, for he has done marvelous deeds; he has revealed to the nations his saving power, alleluia.

FIRST READING (Acts 6:1-7)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

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

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. ®

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. ®

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.®

SECOND READING (St Peter 2:4-9)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.' Alleluia!

GOSPEL (John 14:1-12)

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I am the vine and you are the branches, says the Lord: he who lives in me, and I in him, will bear much fruit, alleluia.