

Westhill Catholic Parish Bulletin



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5th Sunday of Easter 15th May 2022

The readings for Mass can be found on: <https://universalis.com/20220515/mass.htm>

MASS TIMES

Monday 16th May

No 5:30 pm Mass this week.

The Legion of Mary group will meet at 6 pm.

Thursday 19th May

No 10 am Mass this week.

Adoration from 9 am. Rosary from 9:35 am. The Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group and Mothers Prayers Group will meet as normal.

Saturday 21st May

No Vigil Mass at 5 pm.

Sunday 22nd May

Mass at 9 am.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available before Saturday Vigil Mass or by appointment with Fr Emmet.

Please note that the Church will be unavailable for Vigil Mass on Saturday 21st May 2022.

HELPING TO SET UP FOR MASS

If you think you might be able to help with setting up the Church before Mass, do let us know by speaking to Fr Emmet.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Congratulations to all the children who made their First Holy Communion last weekend.

Thank you to everyone who helped out on Saturday, your time and help was really appreciated.

Special thanks to Moyra and Mya Stephen for helping to prepare the children for this special day.

Thank you to Father Emmet and Father Raymond for celebrating the Mass.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Adoration on Tuesday 17th May, 2 pm to 3 pm, in the Small Chapel

Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet prayers. All are welcome.

Youth Mission on Friday 20th May, 5 pm to 9 pm, at St Mary's Cathedral Hall

There will be a Youth Mission with NET Ministries, for P7 to S6. Please sign up on the St Mary's Cathedral website [here](#).

Spring Orpheus Choir Concert on Friday 20th May, 7:30 pm at Skene Church

Tickets are on Sale for £10 from the Church of Scotland office.

Pluscarden Pentecost Lectures (livestreamed from USA), 7th June to 9th June

Each year the Abbot and Community of Pluscarden Abbey sponsor a series of four lectures by an invited Theologian on an aspect of Catholic Theology. This year the lectures are titled "*It ain't no sin to be glad you're alive*": Praise in an Age of Agitation" and will be given by Dr Christopher Ruddy, from the Catholic University of America. More information can be found [here](#).

Catholic Men of Aberdeen, Pluscarden Abbey Retreat, Friday 10th June to Sunday 12th June.

Attendance is open to all practicing Catholic men over the age of 18 from all walks of life in Christ (single, married, lay or religious). More information can be found [here](#).

Retreat for the Feast of Corpus Christi on, Friday 17th June to Sunday 19th June, at Pluscarden Abbey.

YouCAN invites young Catholics aged between 18-35 to a retreat for the Feast of Corpus Christi. For more information, please email rina@youngcatholicadultnetwork.uk

'THE EUCHARIST' - A Series of Talks by Bishop Hugh Gilbert

Bishop Hugh will be giving a series of talks at St Mary's Cathedral. Each of them will look at a different aspect of the Eucharist: "The source and summit of our faith". The talks will all be live-streamed.

The previous talks can be listened to on the links below:

1. [The Eucharist in the Christian world-view](#)
2. [The Origins of the Eucharist in the Last Supper and Paschal Mystery](#)
3. [The Introductory Rites of the Mass](#)
4. [The Liturgy of the Word](#)

The next talk will be held on Thursday 19th May at 7 pm, here is the link:

[The Eucharistic Prayer](#)

The other talks in the series are as follows:

- 26th May – [Holy Communion](#)
- 2nd June – [Living the Mystery](#)

COLLECTIONS

The total given by standing order and online payment for April was £1722.

The collection for the 4th Sunday of Easter on the 8th May was £190.

Thank you for your generosity.

SUPPORTING OUR PARISH

You can support the work of our parish financially either in the **Offertory Collection Basket** at the door, using our **Offertory Envelopes**, or by setting up a **Standing Order** so that money will be donated to the parish every week or month.

If you use the envelopes or set up a standing order and you pay tax, we can claim **Gift Aid** for every donation that you make. This means that we receive a further 25p for every £1 you donate, at no extra cost to you.

To register for **Gift Aid**, to get offertory envelopes, or to set up a Standing Order, please speak to Fr Emmet either directly before or after Mass or by phone/email and he will give you the details. **Thank you to all of you.**

HOLY SPIRIT NOVENA

To celebrate Pentecost, the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Church, we encourage you to pray the [Holy Spirit Novena](#)! It is a powerful and moving novena that is meant to help us open ourselves up to the third person of the Holy Trinity. Even though we pray this novena as a preparation for the feast of Pentecost, you can also pray a novena to the Holy Spirit any time that you want. So, let us pray with great confidence and trust in our God who is all Good and Loving.

Novena Starts: Friday 27th May

Feast Day: Pentecost Sunday (5th June)

PARISH GROUPS

The Legion of Mary, weekly meetings in the Small Chapel, on Monday evenings at 6 pm. Contact: Eugene Ogosi (Tel: 07983125904)

The Legion of Mary is a lay apostolic association of Catholics, who under the leadership of Mary, serve the Church and the community on a voluntary basis. The Legion aims to glorify God by developing her members spiritually through prayers and active cooperation in apostolic work. Meetings consist of prayers (including the rosary), a sermon, reports and discussions.

The Rosary Cenacle Prayer Group, weekly meetings on Thursdays after 10 am Mass

All are very welcome. We pray especially for our priests, the Pope and for our families. For more information: <https://mmp-usa.net/>

Mothers Prayers Group, weekly meetings on Thursdays after 10 am Mass

The 'Mothers Prayers' prayer group was begun by mothers in England in 1995. These mothers felt that they should bring all the pain and the worries they had for their children to Christ and to trust in His words 'Ask and you will receive.' Since then, it has spread rapidly, and Mothers Prayers is now in over 100 countries around the world. Our Mothers Prayers Group meets weekly for about 20-30 minutes. For more information: [Mothers Prayers Website](#)

SCOTTISH CATHOLIC INTERNATIONAL AID FUND (SCIAF)

If you would like to make a donation to SCIAF and help **Ukraine Emergency Appeal** here is the link: <https://www.sciaf.org.uk/get-involved/appeals/741-ukraine-appeal>