



Pray for INDIA

Join us to pray for the people of India seeking God's help to save the country from the pandemic outbreak

Saturday 1st May 2021
UK: 3.00pm
India: 7.30pm
Zoom link
ID: 836 7871 0960 Passcode: 253618
 For further information
India: Bishop P. K Samantaroy, Bishop of Amritsar Church of North India
 Tel: +91 98154 62121 Email: bunu13@gmail.com
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Adoration
 Suspended

Confessions
 Suspended

Tea/Coffee
 Suspended

Priest's Mass Intentions
 Please complete one of the special envelopes and arrange with the office

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ROMAN CATHOLIC PARISH OF ST JOHN BOSCO, WOODLEY

Sunday 2nd May 2021

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
 YEAR B

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Many congratulations to our candidates who were enrolled into their preparation journey yesterday. They are:

Andrea, Gloria, Kacper, Mairim, Gabriel, Marcel, Eliana, Eduardo, Daniel, Abigail, Henry and Sania.

CONFIRMATION 2021: Many congratulations to our candidates who began their preparation last week. They are:

Emma, Kelvin, Ksenia and Morena.



They will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday 22nd May, and Eucharist on 10th July. Please keep them, their families, and their catechists in your prayers.



They will receive the Sacrament on Sunday 23rd May. Please pray for them, their families, and their catechists.

GOING INTO HOSPITAL

On admission, all Catholics must inform staff if they wish to receive Holy Communion or see a priest.

Royal Berkshire Hospital Switchboard:

0118 3225111

ST. DOMINIC SAVIO CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL

Western Avenue,
 Woodley RG5 3BH
 Tel. 0118 969 3893

Interim Head Teacher:
 Mrs. Juanita Dunlop
Website:

www.stdominicsavio.co.uk

St John Bosco Parish is a vibrant worshipping community in the heart of Woodley. We are committed to serve, to grow, to connect and to give.

Today's Psalm Response: You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

LITURGICAL CALENDAR

SUNDAY AND WEDNESDAY MASSES ARE PUBLIC AND LIVE-STREAMED
BOOKING VIA PARISH WEBSITE REQUIRED FOR SUNDAYS

TODAY	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B	10.00AM	Larry Keenan +
Mon 3	Ss. Philip and James		No Mass
Tues 4	The English Martyrs		Homer Tubig +
Wed 5	Of Easter Week 5	10.00am	Rosario Hidalgo +
Thurs 6	Of Easter Week 5		People of the Parish
Fri 7	Of Easter Week 5		No intention
Sat 8	Of Easter Week 5		Maura + & Frank + Crawshaw
MAY 9	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B	10.00AM	Peter Hill +

BAPTISMS: Are now permitted subject to a limit on attendees. If you have a little one who is overdue for Baptism, please book in now via the parish office.

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE? – Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, disillusioned, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness. Others experience conflict in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This programme has helped 6,000 couples who were experiencing difficulties in their marriage in the past year. There is no group therapy or group work. For confidential information about Retrouvaille or to register for the programme commencing with a virtual weekend, 1st – 4th July 2021, call or text +44 788 7296983 or + 44 797 3380443, or email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

MASS REMINDER: It is great that COVID-19 restrictions have been loosened in certain parts of our lives. However, places of worship are still required to stick to the rules previously in place for now. That is regardless of how many of us have received vaccination. So a reminder of the main points:

- ⇒ Please arrive in good time: main doors have to be locked once Mass begins
- ⇒ 2 metre rule applies at all times, including in carpark and upon exit
- ⇒ Apply mask before you enter foyer and keep it on until immediately before receiving Holy Communion (exemption permitted for medical reasons: perhaps try a visor instead)
- ⇒ Use NHS app if you wish, but make sure you have it ready **before entering foyer**
- ⇒ Sanitise hands thoroughly
- ⇒ Take an attendance slip if you have not booked/used app
- ⇒ Follow guidance of the stewards and sit where you are asked to, **not**

where you would prefer (except for medical reasons)

- ⇒ remove mask before receiving Holy Communion. Replace it afterwards
- ⇒ Stay to the end if you wish to receive Holy Communion on the tongue
- ⇒ Place slip in box if you have used one
- ⇒ Do not congregate outside of the church

Hopefully, these rules will be relaxed for us in part soon, but we must follow them until authorised otherwise. Thank you for your assistance in this. The alternative is that we might be required to close down altogether yet again, and none of us wants that.

PARISH WEBSITE DONATE BUTTON:

Please consider using this method if you normally give cash at the weekly offering. Go to stjohnbosco.co.uk. If you are a UK taxpayer, then please consider signing up to our gift aid scheme. The form can be downloaded from our website - Donations page - and sent to our email address once completed. The church will then receive an extra 25p for every £1 donated. Thank you.

**LOCAL ELECTIONS:
THIS THURSDAY.
USING OUR VOTE.
The Catechism states: it is
"morally obligatory...to
exercise the right to vote".**



PLANTS WANTED: Donations of any bedding plants suitable for baskets and tubs to brighten up the church grounds would be gratefully received. If you are able to help, please leave your plants by the office front door. Thanks.

PRAYER CORNER

Please pray for members of the parish who are sick or housebound, especially: Ellen Morganti, June Bremner-Tse, Gerry Houlton, Sr. Joseph, Patsy Gill, Chris Fido, Thelma McCarthy, Mimi Peat, Mary Knox, Anne Evans, and Ken Murphy.

Also, for all the faithful departed, especially those in our *Book of Remembrance* for this month: Patricia Martin, Ronald Lawrence, Marian Lawrence, Emilio Albanese, Jenny Dowse, Gertrude Cloet, Bryan Cunningham, Lorelie Indopia, Elizabeth Ellen Zolobajluk, Patricia Williamson, and Dennis Harman. May they rest in peace.