



# St Joseph's Catholic Church

SHOOTERS HILL

## The Pope's Monthly Intentions for May

We pray for all young people, called to live life to the fullest; may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service.

### Confessions:

Fr Seba is available to hear confessions. Please call the Parish office (020 3105 8577) to book your appointment.



Lectionary Cycle - Sunday - Year C - Weekday - Cycle II		
Saturday 7th	6:30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 8th	10:15am	World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life
	12.00 noon	Mass
Monday 9th	10.00am	Mass
Tuesday 10th	10.00am	Mass – St John de Ávila
Wednesday 11th	10.00am	Mass
Thursday 12th	10.00am	Mass – St Pancras
Friday 13th	10.00am	Mass - Our Lady of Fatima
Saturday 14th	6.30pm	Vigil Mass
Sunday 15th	10:15am	Mass - Dorothy (Dot) Ellis RIP
	12 noon	Mass

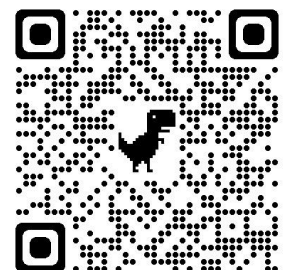
1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Acts 2:14a, 36-41	God made him both Lord and Christ
Psalm	Ps 99:1-3, 5 r. 3	<b><i>We are his people, the sheep of his flock</i></b>
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Apoc 7:9, 14b-17	The Lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water
Gospel Acclamation	John 10:14	<b><i>I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me</i></b>
Gospel	John 10:27-30	I give eternal life to the sheep that belong to me

## Priest Training Fund Second Collection 8<sup>th</sup> May

The priesthood has always been essential to the life of the Church, from the time of Jesus until today. Good Shepherd Sunday is the day we pray for vocations, for our priests, and take up the Priest Training Fund second collection. This fund pays for the formation of men to become priests in our Archdiocese. After their ordination, our priests dedicate their lives to serving Christ and His people in our parishes, hospitals, schools, chaplaincies, prisons and in service to the needy, throughout South London, Kent and Surrey. We are blessed to have 6 men in formation to the Priesthood for our Archdiocese. However, it costs £30,000 a year to sponsor each seminarian. They study for 6 years before being ordained a Catholic priest.

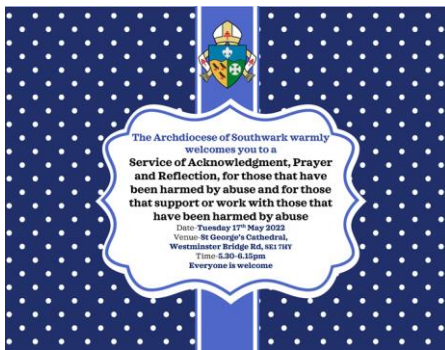
We therefore rely on your generous support and prayers. Please support our priests of the future with a gift today. Thank you!

- Donate Online: [www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF](http://www.rcaos.org.uk/donate/PTF)
- Or Scan QR Code using telephone camera (right)
- Telephone weekdays 9 am – 5 pm: **020 7960 2504**
- Cash / Cheque – please use the Priest Training Fund envelopes at the back of Church



We wish everyone a Blessed Easter Season

## Service of Acknowledgment, Prayer and Reflection



The Archdiocese of Southwark will be holding an inaugural Service of Acknowledgment, Prayer and Reflection, for those that have been harmed by abuse and for those that support or work with those that have been harmed by abuse

All are invited to attend this special service on 17th May 2022 between 5.30 pm - 6.15 pm in St George's Cathedral, Southwark.

The service will be led by Bishop Paul Hendricks with the intention to pray for those that have suffered abuse as well as those that support or work with those that have been harmed.

Please join the Archdiocese of Southwark in prayer.

## Our Lady of Lugansk pray for all in Ukraine

Loving God, We pray for the people of Ukraine, for all those suffering or afraid, that you will be close to them and protect them.

We pray for world leaders, for compassion, strength and wisdom to guide their choices.

We pray for the world that in this moment of crisis, we may reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters in need.

May we walk in your ways so that peace and justice become a reality for the people of Ukraine and for all the world. Amen.



## Mass for new Catholics [Neophytes' Mass]

All those received into the Church at Easter 2022, 2021 and 2020 are very warmly invited to this special Mass, celebrated by Archbishop John Wilson at St George's Cathedral **Saturday, 21 May 2022 at 12:30pm**

This event is especially important as it enables all those who have received the Sacraments of Initiation to gather again, but this time for Mass, to receive Our Lord in the Most Holy Eucharist together.

Godparents, sponsors, relatives, clergy, catechists, parishioners and friends are also invited to attend.

**The Passage**, a Catholic charity working with homeless people is raising funds through the Big Give a matched giving scheme until 12.00 noon on Monday 9 May. Every £1 donated online before 12.00 noon on Monday 9 May makes £2 and £2.25 if you are a taxpayer through Gift Aid. Please visit: <https://bit.ly/BigGiveAprilMay22> to support the campaign. The campaign 'It takes more than a house to make a home' focuses on the services we provide to people who have been homeless in their journey to being happily settled in a new home. The Passage would be very grateful for your support. For questions about the campaign or assistance making a donation please ring 020 7592 1856.



## Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage July 9th at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please apply as soon as possible, and no later than May 31. Get in touch with us at [mflse@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:mflse@rcaos.org.uk) so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop. Spaces are limited. As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Shooters Hill and give us the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating. We look forward to seeing you in July - **Marriage and Family Life South East**

## Chaplain – St Thomas More Catholic Comprehensive – Eltham SE9

This popular Catholic comprehensive school are looking to recruit a committed and inspiring chaplain to support the faith lives of our students and staff and to ensure that the Catholic faith of St Thomas More is at the centre of school life.

The purpose of the school is the all-inclusive development of each individual within a loving community which is welcoming, safe, forgiving, and positive; challenging each to follow Christ in serving others

The successful candidate will be a practising Catholic with a deep sense of faith commitment with an approachable demeanour and friendly way of relating to young people. Please see the schools website to apply;

[www.stmcomprehensive.org/Support-Staff-Vacancies](http://www.stmcomprehensive.org/Support-Staff-Vacancies)

**Councillor Ivis Williams** who represents Shooters Hill Ward will be holding her surgeries in our parish hall on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the month between 10-11am starting Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> May

**Fr. Seba is going to be away** from 19<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup> of June so there will not be any week day Masses during that period but Father John O'Donoghue has kindly agreed to cover weekend Masses. We are very grateful to him.

Father John is celebrating his 60<sup>th</sup> anniversary of priesthood at St Thomas More, Bostall Park, Bexleyheath on **4<sup>th</sup> June at 12 noon**, all our parishioners who wish to join him are very welcome. We will get him a card for us all to sign

## Contactless Machine

Please remember our contact machine in the porch and many thanks go Julie Donnelly for all the hard work setting this up. You can now use your debit/credit card to make your donations. Select where you want your money to go (offertory, hall fund, or repository). Just select the amount you want to give on the contactless terminal. Present your card to the card reader. Select whether you want your **donation** to be gift aided and complete the details. You only need to do this the first time you donate as the terminal will remember your card next time you donate. Full instructions are on the wall next to the machine

## Our Repository

Could anyone please help to run our Repository? Again if a few people volunteer, and create a team, it makes life easier and does not rest with one person. Times could be negotiated but it would be ideal to have the Repository opened before and after each Sunday Mass. This would also include stock taking and ordering. Many thanks to Ann and Justine Zuhlke for all their hard work for many years running the Repository

## Parish Sacramental Programmes

### CONFIRMATION 2022

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> May – Session 9 – 7.00pm Hall

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2022

Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> May 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion 12.00 noon

**We wish our children every blessing for their First Holy Communion Day. We pray for them, their families, friends and Catechists on this special day, may be a day to remember by all and be the continuation of their faith journey supported by their parish and loved ones**

### Prayer to St Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary. To you God entrusted his only Son; In you Mary placed her trust; with you Christ became man. Blessed Joseph, to us too, show yourself a father and guide us in the path of life. Obtain for us grace, mercy and courage, and defend us from every evil. Amen



### Synod Prayer

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name  
With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.  
We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder. Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path not partiality influence our actions.  
Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right  
All this we ask of you, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son forever and ever,  
Amen



### Prayer to Saint Michael the Archangel



St Michael the Archangel. Defend us in the day of our battle. Be our safeguard against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray, and do thou, O Prince of Heavenly Hosts, by the power of God, cast into hell satan, and all the evil spirits who wander around the world seeking the ruins of souls.

## Information

### Sick and Housebound

Please continue to keep the sick of our parish family in your daily prayers and let Fr Seba know if they would like a home visit and to receive Holy Communion

### Anniversaries

We continue to remember those who have died and those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

*May they rest in peace and rise in glory*

### Mass Intentions

If you would like to have a Mass offered for a particular intention, please write your intention down with all the details, together with the Mass stipend, and put it through the Presbytery door. Alternatively, you can contact the parish office on 020 3105 8577 or email [shootershill@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:shootershill@rcaos.org.uk) – Mass intention envelopes are available at the back of the church.

### Home blessings

If you would like Fr Seba to visit your home to bless it, please email [shootershill@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:shootershill@rcaos.org.uk)

### Collections

April 30 <sup>th</sup> /May 1 <sup>st</sup>	
1 <sup>st</sup> collection	£385.44
2 <sup>nd</sup> collection	£157.15
Vietnamese Divine Mercy Mass	£200.00
Poor Box - Missio	£36.81
Flowers	£11.00
Papers	£8.00
Candles	£59.73

**This week's second collection is for the Priest Training Fund**

If you cannot attend Mass, please visit our website and click the Donate button

If you are a taxpayer, please remember to 'Gift Aid' your donation – please contact [shootershill@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:shootershill@rcaos.org.uk)

If you would like to hire our hall on Paget Rise, SE18 3QQ please contact Maggie Rea:  
Tel: 07885 353105  
Email: [shootershill@rcaos.org.uk](mailto:shootershill@rcaos.org.uk)



**Many thanks to Maggie for all her hard work managing the hiring of our hall**

## Parish School

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