

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **AN INTRODUCTION TO THE BIBLE LED BY FATHER MICHAEL**

EACH WEDNESDAY IN JUNE AT 7PM IN THE HALL  
Sign up sheets now available at the back of Church

### **NEXT PPC MEETINGS JUNE 11TH AND JULY 9TH AT 7PM**

If you have any suggestions on the life of the parish please leave them in the silver box at the back of church or email the office: stmichaels.rc@hotmail.co.uk

**FIRST COMMUNION MASS - SUNDAY 16TH JUNE AT 10.30AM**

**CONFIRMATION MASS - SUNDAY 30TH JUNE AT 12.00PM**

**INTERNATIONAL MASS JULY 19TH 2024 date to be confirmed**

### **YOUTH MASS**

EVERY 3RD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**ECUMENICAL SAFARI SUPPER Saturday, 6th July, 6.30pm.**

This is a free event and a sign up sheet for catering numbers is now available at the back of Church.

**SEPTEMBER date to be confirmed**

Special Mass for those having a significant Marriage Jubilee this year e.g. 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 years

**OCTOBER date tbc MASSES FOR THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK**

## **Thought for the week**

**26th May, 2024**

**Trinity Sunday**

Over the last two Sundays, our parish hall has been a busy place with parishioners like me browsing books and plants thanks to the sales organised by the Thoughtful Living Group. It was lovely to hear the gentle buzz around me on Sunday as people discussed problems with slugs and weeds, and recommended books they'd enjoyed. The very human business of encouragement, listening to advice, and undertaking new projects, is what this next part of the Church's year is about so it was a great way to mark Pentecost and the time just ahead of us.

After Easter, the disciples felt very confused and lost. Anyone who has been bereaved knows how it feels. What do I do now? How do I move on? Where do I need to go? It's not surprising if, despite the resurrection and all God's assurances, we feel a little daunted after Easter and before Pentecost.

And now we move on. God's son – his presence among us in the person of Christ - promises that he is with us, always. And God sends the Holy Spirit to help us and fill us up – as Fr Michael said so evocatively. God burns up our rubbish to prepare our way, gives us the fuel we need to move on, and fills our sails.

And now, Trinity Sunday reminds us of the revelation of God – Father, Son and Holy Spirit – and promises us yet again of support as we continue along our different roads back to Him. We are always being told not to be afraid. With the Trinity to help us, we know we need not worry. Even if we don't fully understand what we have been told by God, we must be confident that all will be well.

Katie Livesey



**We ask you please, to pray for the following people who need your prayers:**

Please pray for Mary Edwards who has had hip surgery, after a fall at home, and is now recovering in The RBH.

Thank you for your continued prayers for Robert Brooks who is now undergoing chemotherapy.

Rosemary continues to need our prayers having undergone major surgery, as the recovery will be long and slow.

Please pray for Kim, Paul and Joe Bunton (Joe has severe learning difficulties). Please pray that they get the help they need.

Please continue to pray for Father Paul Rowan. Both cancer surgery and corneal graft are at last showing positive outcomes.

Please pray for Peter Halter's sister Jean who has macular degeneration and for her great grandson Rogan who continues to need our prayers following his bone marrow transplant,

Please Pray for Maria McNamara's niece who is undergoing chemotherapy. Her name is Alison Flynn née McNamara.

Please pray for Reuben Muston aged 17 (Theresa and Mike Muston's grandson) who had Aplastic Anaemia. He still needs our prayers that he will continue to improve.

Please pray for Savanna Clark (aged 2 with eye trouble).

Please pray for Shirley Trollop.

Please pray for Isobel Messenger (Vera Bird's great granddaughter) she has now had her operation to improve her hearing.

Please pray for Simon Keen who is recovering from an operation.

Please pray for Mary Hagger.

Please pray for Vivien Kear (Krissie's friend) who has cancer.

Vera Bird has asked for our prayers for her Great, Great Grandson Harry.

Prayers please for Antonita's nephew Peppin who has long covid.

Please pray for the children and staff at St Martin's school

Please pray for our parishioners in St Luke's and Abbeycrest Nursing Homes



**Please also remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur at this time including;**  
Raymond Hughes, Nancy Keogh, Joan Selway,  
Rita Worklex, Laddie Perl, Peggy Dodd,  
Patrick Keogh, Eugene Lavalette, Claudina Rodrigues,  
Andy Tait, Mary "Jo" Clay, Maurice de Silva,  
Basil Iwasyki, Brenda Pearce, Arthur Burns,  
Ruth Coyne, Margaret Hamilton Jones, Olive Ryan.