

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO HER MAJESTY
QUEEN ELIZABETH II.**

We offer our greetings and the assurance of our prayers to Her Majesty who celebrated her 94th birthday on Tuesday 21st April. Her official birthday is celebrated in the summer when her Guards Troop Regimental Colours. None of the usual ceremonial is possible within present conditions, but we can still express our affection and appreciation for Her Majesty's outstanding service to the Nation and the Commonwealth, a dedication which has been exercised since her accession to the throne on the 6th February 1952.

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO CAPTAIN
THOMAS MOORE.**

We also offer our greetings and congratulations to Captain Thomas Moore who celebrated his 100th birthday on Thursday 30th April. His valiant sponsored walk has thus far raised over £32,000,000! In recognition of his immense contribution in the midst of the present crisis, he was honoured with an R.A.F. Fly-Pass. He has also been promoted to the rank of an Honorary Colonel. Well done that man!

Wales Online & Hospital Chaplaincy

You may already have seen the Wales Online article about our own Fr Nicholas and Fr Peter Davies' work in providing end-of-life sacramental care in hospitals across Cardiff. If not, search the walesonline.co.uk website for the title *The incredible pain and heartbreaking loss hospital chaplains are seeing because of coronavirus*. It is a very sensitive and informative article, well worth a look.

75th ANNIVERSARY OF V.E. DAY (VICTORY IN EUROPE).

At 2.40.am on May 7th 1945 General Alfred Jodl, representing Nazi Germany, signed the instrument of unconditional surrender – Hitler had committed suicide on the 30th April. The signing took place at General Eisenhower's field headquarters, a small schoolhouse in Rheims, northern France, in the presence of Britain's General Montgomery, U.S. Chief of Staff General Bedell Smith, and Soviet General Suslapatov. We were due to mark this significant anniversary with nationwide events on Friday 8th May, which had been especially designated as a Bank Holiday. The best laid plans of mice and men! Let us use the date for a recollection of sacrifice, for thanksgiving at our victory over the Nazi regime, for peace with justice in our own age and for courage in the midst of the present crisis.

N.B. Those parishioners who have recollections of the day may wish to share their memories for publication in the newsletter.

Sacramental Preparations.

If we were not confined by our present circumstances, we would this week be celebrating a number of baptisms and a wedding. Some seven summer weddings are potentially subject to delay as are many more baptisms. Our celebration of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation have all been postponed. Subject to prevailing conditions, we look forward to celebrating these sacraments at some stage in the autumn. I ask that all candidates and their parents do all that they can to foster shared family prayer and reflection. Faith is meant for and enhanced by the sharing!

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**From the 4th Sunday of Easter until Pentecost, the
Paschal candle for Holy Family will be lit during all
Masses and Liturgies.**

Holy Family & St Mary of the Angels

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3rd - 10th May 2020 - 4th Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd) Cycle A

Good Shepherd (Vocations) Sunday

This Sunday is called Good Shepherd, or Vocations Sunday due to the theme of the Gospel of the day (John 10-1-10). The limitations imposed by the current Coronavirus pandemic has highlighted the critical need for more priests with the capability of administering the Sacraments to the sick and dying in these sorts of extreme conditions. There are two main signs of a healthy and spiritually enriched parish;

- **The faith of the people is regularly put into practice by coordinated acts of supporting the poor and vulnerable**
- **A culture of prayer & encouragement is nurtured that sees an abundance of vocations to the priesthood and religious life from within the parish**

Priests and religious do not grow in test tubes; they should not need to come from far distant lands; they should come from our families and communities! They should come from our prayer for vocations. Let us keep this, and the work of our Vocations Director, Fr Nicholas, in our intentions especially during this next week.

25th ANNIVERSARY OF EVANGELIUM VITAE.

On 25th March 1995, the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord, Saint John Paul II promulgated his Encyclical Letter Evangelium Vitae. The Annunciation is the true feast of the Incarnation, when the Divine Word was conceived in the womb of the Blessed Virgin Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit. The extensive text is a magisterial teaching on the value and inviolability of the human person from its natural conception to its natural end. Pope John Paul II was a true philosopher as well as a theologian. His first great philosophical work was entitled 'The Acting Person', a reflection on human anthropology inspired by the writings of Bergson, the great French thinker of the late 19th and early 20th centuries. As governments across the world are using the present crisis to facilitate a 'so called'

liberalisation of provision for abortion and euthanasia, we must pray earnestly that our society and culture be turned away from the false anthropologies that bring death within the womb and undermine our understanding of the true nature and value of human life. There can be no compromise on the moral principle that human life begins at conception. The Gospel of Life proclaims unequivocally that the dignity of the human person is operational from conception and must be protected from conception until a natural death. Let us proclaim to the authentic teaching of the Church and hearken to the prophetic voice of Saint John Paul II.

St Mary's Masses

**Fourth Sunday of Easter–World Day of Prayer for
Vocations (3rd May)**

10.00am People of the Parish

12.00am William McCarthy

7-8pm Holy Hour for Vocations

Monday of the 4th week of Easter (4th May)

9.30am Mary, Arthur & John Sparkes

12.15am Patricia Bunce

Tuesday of the 4th week of Easter (5th May)

9.30am Muskat & Kift families

12.15am Mary Taylor

7-8pm Adoration & Benediction

Wednesday. of the 4th week of Easter (6th May)

9.30am Bob & Lynn Bastian

12.15am Patrick Morris

Thursday. of the 4th week of Easter (7th May)

9.30am Alan Spencer

12.15am Michael Maher

7-8pm Adoration & Benediction

Friday. of the 4th week of Easter (8th May)

9.30am Birthday intentions of Archbishop

George Stack

12.15am Baker Family & Betty Lee

Saturday. of the 4th week of Easter (9th May)

9.30am George & Mary Phillips

12.15am Michael McMahon

Fifth Sunday of Easter (10th May)

10.00am John, Irene, Constans & Veronica

Matthews

12.00am People of the Parish

Evening Prayer (Vespers) live-streamed 7pm daily. Tuesday & Thursday 7-8pm Adoration & Benediction (including Evening Prayer)

Memorare

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(A much neglected prayer to the Blessed Virgin Mary.)

Remember, O most loving Virgin Mary, that it is a thing unheard of, that anyone ever had recourse to your protection, implored your help, or sought your intercession, and was left forsaken. Filled therefore with confidence in your goodness I fly to you, O Mother, Virgin of virgins. To you I come, before you I stand, a sorrowful sinner. Despise not my poor words, O Mother of the Word of God, but graciously hear and grant my prayer. Amen.

Recently died

Mr Paul Irwin- The funeral will be celebrated on Monday 4th May at 12pm

Mrs Mary Malcolm- The funeral will be celebrated on Friday 8th May at 1.15pm

Mrs Selina Roberts- The funeral will be celebrated on Monday 11th May at 1.45pm

Ms Teresa Hobman- The funeral will be celebrated on Tuesday 12th May at 1.30pm

Mr Anthony Portelli- The funeral will be celebrated on Friday 15th May at 12.30pm

Mr John Jakeway- The funeral will be celebrated on Friday 15th May at 2pm

Mr John Crowley The funeral will be celebrated on Tuesday 19th May at 11.45pm

Mr Bernard O'Hanlon- The funeral will be celebrated on Thursday 21st May at 1.30pm

Mrs Monica Brown- We are awaiting further information regarding funeral arrangements

Please keep the deceased and their families in your prayers at this particularly distressing time.

The Month of May (A month of special devotion to the Rosary)

THE HOLY ROSARY.

During the month of May (Monday to Saturday) we will be praying the Holy Rosary at 11.45.am.

THE JOYFUL MYSTERIES (Mondays and Saturdays),

1. The Annunciation.
2. The Visitation.
3. The Nativity of the Lord.
4. The Presentation of the Infant Jesus.
5. The Finding of the Child Jesus.

THE MYSTERIES OF LIGHT (Thursdays).

1. The Baptism of the Lord.
2. The Marriage at Cana.
3. The Proclamation of the Kingdom and the Call to Conversion.
4. The Transfiguration.
5. The Institution of the Holy Eucharist.

THE SORROWFUL MYSTERIES.

1. The Agony in the Garden of Gethsemane.
2. The Scourging at the Pillar.
3. The Crowning with Thorns.
4. The Carrying of the Cross.
5. The Crucifixion and Death of the Lord.

THE GLORIOUS MYSTERIES.

1. The Resurrection.
2. The Ascension.
3. Pentecost.
4. The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
5. The Coronation of the Blessed Virgin Mary and the Glory of all the Saints.



THE HAIL HOLY QUEEN.

Hail, holy Queen, Mother of Mercy; hail, our life, our sweetness, and our hope! To you do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to you do we send up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, your eyes of mercy towards us; and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of your womb, Jesus. O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God.

R. That we may be made worthy of the Promises of Christ.

Let us Pray:

O God, whose only-begotten Son, by his life, death and resurrection, has purchased for us the rewards of eternal life; grant, we beseech you, that meditating on these mysteries of the most holy Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary, we may both imitate what they contain, and obtain what they promise, through the same Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

Pray for the Sick

Holy Family: David Rogers, Catherine Driscoll, Kay & Paul Parris, Sheila Ferriter, Joan Lewis, Collette Griffin, Edward Brown, Bernard Perry, Vivian Miller, Valentine, Henry & Tony Fernandez, Gary Sutton, Mary Bodman, Brian Webster, Martin, Susanna, Chris Collins, Hanna Marengi, May Dalet, Linda Mantle, John Maher

St. Mary's: Fr Christopher Delaney, Bethan Williams, Jean Allen, Madison Lane, John & Marian Lamb, Jean Hayman, Will Johnson, Ivan Sadka, Laurence Tobin, Nadasiri Ifada, Cecily Hughes, James Church, Margaret Griffiths, Anthony Jackson, Tom Hopkins, Joanne Coakley, Helen Ward. Doreen Utley Maria Sullivan, Corina Foster.

Live-streaming of Masses at St Mary's

Live-streaming web content is available at www.cardiffwestcatholics.org.uk or www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/st-mary-of-the-angels. There is also a [YouTube](#) channel; **St Mary of the Angels & Holy Family, Cardiff.**

A screenshot of a YouTube channel page. The channel name is "St Mary of the Angels & Holy Family, Cardiff" with 73 subscribers. The page shows a navigation menu with "HOME", "VIDEOS", "PLAYLISTS", "CHANNELS", "DISCUSSION", and "ABOUT". Below the menu, there is a section for "Uploads" with a "PLAY ALL" button. A row of video thumbnails is displayed, including "Canon Collins on Pope St Pius V", "Canon Collins on St Catherina of Siena", "Problem of evil Part 2", "Problem of evil Part 1", "Whistlestop tour of the Altar", and "Archbishop Stack Easter Sunday 2020".