

## Masses & Services this Week

<b>Saturday 28th April</b>	3.30pm Confessions 4.30pm Mass: (Sylvia McIntosh RIP)
<b>Sunday 29th</b>	8.00am Mass: (Julie Carson's Intentions) 11.00am (People of the Parish)
<b>Monday 30th</b>	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass: (In Thanksgiving) 7.00pm Mission Prayer Service
<b>Tuesday 1st May</b>	<b>8.00am</b> Mass: (Malcolm Mason RIP) 1.30pm Mission Prayer Service
<b>Wednesday 2nd</b>	6.00pm Mass: (Violetta & Robert Baden Smith RIP) 6.30pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
<b>Thursday 3rd</b>	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass: (Mary Neary & Family)
<b>Friday 4th</b>	9.10am Morning Prayer 9.30am Mass: (For Souls who have no one to pray for them) <sub>T&amp;J</sub> <b>7.00pm</b> Mass: (Eileen Walton's Intention) <sub>5</sub>
<b>Saturday 5th</b>	9.00am Mass: (People of the Parish) (Confessions) 4.00pm Confessions 4.30pm Mass: (The Matten Family)
<b>Sunday 6th</b> <i>6th Sunday of Easter (B)</i>	8.00am Mass: (In Thanksgiving) <sub>(Sylvia)</sub> 11.00am Mass: (Malcolm Mason RIP)

### This Week's Diary:

Monday: 10.30am Fr. Jim & Deacon Dennis will attend the funeral of Andrew Hopkins, Holbeach.

7.00pm Meeting of the Chapel Working Party – Parish Meeting Room (next to the Grotto).

Tuesday: 7.30pm Finance Meeting

Wednesday: 12.00pm Meeting in the Parish Meeting Room (next to the Grotto)

Thursday: 7.00pm Rosary & Benediction to pray for the success of the Parish Mission at The Hub & Library, Hall Street, Crowland (Tel. 01733 211522). There is a small car park next to the Hub – **everyone welcome, please join us.**

Friday: Masses today at 9.30am & 7.00pm

## PARISH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION & SAINT NORBERT

**29th April 2018**

**5th Sunday of Easter (B)**

**Psalter 1**

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**I am the  
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**This Weekend:** The second collection is for our parish Maintenance Fund.

**ADOREMUS:** This weekend we continue our reflection on the Eucharist.

**Last Call!** As mentioned last weekend, we have six places reserved for our parish at the conference—four places were taken, leaving just two places available—if you are interested in attending, please see Deacon Dennis.

*There are many resources available in preparation for the Eucharistic Congress including three very good booklets available from CTS: 'Meeting Christ in the Eucharist' by Fr. Stephen Wang. It includes prayers, scripture readings, meditations and quotations from some of our saints and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. 'The Watchful Hour' 'A scriptural companion to Eucharistic Adoration' by Fr. Florian Racine. Both these booklets are priced at £3.50 each. The third title is: 'The Prayerful Hour' also by Fr. Florian Racine, is available for £2.95. We will gladly obtain these books for you – just put your details on the list provided – thank you.*

**MISSION 2018:** Every parish that is holding a Mission led by the Sion Community in 2018 has been twinned with another parish—We have been twinned with the parish of **The Sacred Heart Newhaven & The Immaculate Conception of Our Lady, Peacehaven** in West Sussex who are beginning their Mission from this evening, Saturday, 29th April until 13th May. Our parishes are now united in prayer! Please remember to pray for the success of the Mission in Newhaven and Peacehaven every day.

**Please pray for our sick and housebound parishioners:** Mary Bull, Pat McGilloway, John Baguley, Marie Tooke, Allison Law, Pat Saville & family, Margaret Trivett, Audrey Cook, Marcello Viglianti, Maria Dowling, Rosetta Le Compte, Elvira Choma, Ros Mullholland-Gullick, Jean Fairbanks, Rosemarie & Peter Anderton, Norma Yaxley, Tony Ball, Jesus Moniente, Linda Lawless, Susan Bertolaso, Mollie Coaten, Mary Naughton, Norman Coleman, Sylvia Hayden, Katherine McLoughlin, Patrick King, The Taylor Family, Mons. Jonathan Moore, Pat Baxter, Rita Gensiorskyj, Manfred Haacker, June Burrell, Maurice

would like people with local knowledge of the area to help them. If we have any volunteers, there will be a meeting with Clare Scully on the 9th May between 5.00 & 6.00pm. Please sign the list at the back of church if you can help, please.

**Young People & The Mission:** A small, but enthusiastic, group of young people met on Friday evening to discuss their involvement in the mission. It was decided that our young people (Year 11+) would take responsibility of welcoming the Sion Community Mission Team to the 4.30pm Mass on Saturday, 16th June. It is also our hope that the young people will take an active role in our Mission services each evening as well as organise our parish celebration ('The End of the Show Show!') on Saturday, 30th June and, of course, in our closing Mission Mass with Bishop Patrick in the grounds of St. Norbert's School.

There will be a Mass prepared by our young people on Sunday, 27th May, (Trinity Sunday) at 3.00pm followed by a meeting. **We would love to hear from any musicians who could join us for this Mass!** Please see Fr. Jim as soon as possible!!!

**The Meat Raffle is Coming Back!** Some parishioners have asked for the return of the popular bi-weekly Meat Raffle! Fr. Jim will donate another £30 meat voucher to get the raffle up and running again—but he would like volunteers to sell the tickets as many people want to speak with him after the Masses, so volunteers would be welcome. We will start selling tickets next Sunday, and all proceeds will go towards our parish mission expenses—thank you!

**Weekly Prayer Intention:** That we may have a greater understanding of our need for each other, so that together we can bear the good fruit of the kingdom promised to all.

We continue to have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament after the 9.30am Mass on Mondays to pray for the success of our Mission.

For further details and offers of help please contact Mary Hurst by phone 01775 680598 or e-mail maryehurst2@gmail.com

31<sup>st</sup>     *The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary*

*We will be adding new dates to the diary during the month of May!*

## PARISH MISSION 2018

**Mission Prayer Services:** We will continue to pray for the Lord's blessing on our Parish Mission, with services of prayer tomorrow evening, Monday 30th April, at 7.00pm and this Tuesday, 1st May, at 1.30pm. All are welcome to join us as we come closer to the Mission. If you haven't been before, now is your chance to be part of our Mission preparation.

**Crowland:** We are planning two pre-mission events in Crowland during May.

**This Thursday, 3rd May:** Rosary & Benediction at 7.00pm

Saturday, 19th May: We will be in the Hub from from 11.30am and will celebrate Mass at 1.00pm.

Both events will be taking place at the Crowland Community Hub & Library, Hall Street, Crowland (Tel. 01733 211522). There is a small car park next to the Hub – **everyone welcome.**

**St. Norbert's School Mission:** Acting Headteacher, Mrs. Withers, says that they still have to find accommodation for three female members of the School Mission Team. They require bed and breakfast from the 10th to the 15th June – can anyone help? Please contact the school on 01775 722889. Thank you.

**Parish Visitation During the Mission:** Sion's Visiting Team will be with us from 16th to the 23rd June. There are eight people in the team. Starting on Sunday, 17th June, from 4.00pm to 7.00pm; Monday to Friday: 10.30am to 1.00pm; 2.00pm to 5.00pm, and 6.30pm to 8.00pm. The Visiting Team always travel in pairs – and they will only visit known Catholic homes. **The Visiting Team would like the help of volunteers to help them during the week.** It will mean that more homes will be visited, and a wider area can be covered. Ideally, they

Cranney, Helen Henry, Philip Chandler, Maria Sharples, Fr. Oliver Martin O.Praem, Brian Stout, Alison Merryman-Marx, Fr. Eamonn O'Hara, Fr. Dominic O'Connor, Canon Michael Bell, Maddie Scott & Laurence Connell.

**Please pray for the happy repose of the souls of Imelda Moriarity** (sister of Deacon Dennis) and Deacon John Timpson. *Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them; may they rest in peace. Amen.*

**Please also remember:** Steven Healy, Ronald Miners, Robert Baden Smith, Baby Luke Zomparelli, Liz Boz, Raphael Vassallo, Tom Bedford, James Burke, Gertrude Rickerd and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. *May their souls, and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. Amen.*

**Please Pray for** Miss Sarah Blacoe, Year 1 Class Teacher in St. Norbert's School, who will be marrying Mr. Jamie Hibbert in our church next Saturday, 5th May, at 12.30pm. For those who wish to see the happy couple on their wedding day, you will be able to watch the ceremony live on the webcam – just go to the parish website ([www.stnorberts.org.uk](http://www.stnorberts.org.uk)) and follow the instructions.

**PARISH FINANCE:** Last weekend you gave: £713.41. The second collection for the Diocesan Clergy Formation Fund realised £000.00 – Thank you.

### Second Collections During May:

12th/13th: Catholic Communications Network

26th/27th: Parish Maintenance Fund

**Counter's Rota** – This week's counters: Teresa & Martin; **next week:** Anita & Betty.

**Safeguarding:** will those people who are DBS checked for Parish duties and have not seen Mary Hurst recently, please let her know if they are on the Update Service. There is a list in the Narthex at the back of church, please indicate Yes or No next to your name, as soon

as possible. The information is required by the Diocese. Thank you.

**FLOWER ARRANGING:** We do have some volunteers to form a new list of flower arrangers—thank you. It would be grate if we could have a few more, so I have left the list at the back of church and you will be contacted shortly and a meeting will be arranged.

**The Diocesan Sick & Retired Priests Fund:** We received acknowledgement of £300 recently sent to the Appeal Office in Newark, which was the result of an appeal at the beginning of March. We were set the target of raising £20,000 from our parish over a five-year period. We did not make our quota, so along with a few other parishes, we have been asked to keep going until we reach the target set by the appeal organisers. This week were advised that we have another £6,700 to raise.

**THE GOOD NEWS IN EAST MIDLANDS!** This is the title of a new book compiled by Canon Anthony Dolan. It gives extensive information about Catholic life in the Diocese of Nottingham, of which we are a part of. The RRP of the book is £20—or you can make a small saving by ordering directly with the publishers. We will shortly have a small number of books available at the reduced cost of £16, and we will gladly order more copies if requested. All proceeds from the sale of this book will go towards the Diocesan Appeal for our Sick & Retired Priests Fund. You can order a copy from Katherine in the Parish Office: admin@stnorberts.org.uk

### MAY DIARY DATES

- 1<sup>st</sup> *St. Joseph the Worker*  
2<sup>nd</sup> *St. Athanasius*  
Rosary & Benediction after the 6.00pm Mass this evening  
3<sup>rd</sup> *St. Philip & St. James*  
7.00pm Rosary & Benediction for the success of our Parish Mission at The Hub, Crowland.  
4<sup>th</sup> *The English Martyrs*  
Masses today: 9.30am & 7.00pm

- 7.30pm Wedding Rehearsal  
5<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Mass  
12.30pm The Wedding of Mr. Jamie Hibbert & Miss Sarah Blacoe  
Evening Masses as usual  
6<sup>th</sup> Sixth Sunday of Easter  
7<sup>th</sup> **Bank Holiday**  
10.00am Mass  
9<sup>th</sup> 5.00pm Meeting for those who have volunteered to accompany the Visiting Team during the Mission with Clare Scully  
6.00pm Mass  
7.00pm Mission Team final meeting with Clare Scully  
10<sup>th</sup> **The Ascension of the Lord – Holyday of Obligation**  
Masses today at 9.30am & 7.30pm  
7.00pm Rosary  
13<sup>th</sup> 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
19<sup>th</sup> 9.00am Mass  
11.30am Fr. Jim will be at The Hub, Crowland  
1.00pm Mass for the success of the Parish Mission at The Hub, Crowland  
Evening schedule as usual  
20<sup>th</sup> **Pentecost Sunday**  
11.00am International Mass  
*Confessions will be available after this Mass*  
Shared Buffet in the Hall after Mass  
21<sup>st</sup> 7.00pm Parish Pastoral Council Meeting  
24<sup>th</sup> Deanery Meeting (Polish Mission, Boston)  
27<sup>th</sup> **Trinity Sunday**  
*Confessions available after the 8.00am Mass this morning*  
Baptism of Karina Iliunina  
28<sup>th</sup> **Bank Holiday**  
10.00am Mass