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TIMES OF MASSES AND OTHER SERVICES: Week Commencing 13th May 2018

Seventh Sunday of Easter: Year B

SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER: 13th – 19th May 2018 (Weekday Cycle Year 2 / Psalter Week III)

<u>Saturday 12th May: Easter Feria</u>	10:00 am: Mass; Special Intention 10:45 am: Confessions	<i><u>PARISH FINANCES</u></i>
<u>Saturday 12th May: Seventh Sunday of Easter: B</u>	5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Pro Populo; People of the Parish	
<u>Sunday 13th May: Seventh Sunday of Easter: B</u>	9:00 am: Mass; Intentions of Loretta Stratton (Whitham) 3:00 pm: SVP Service for the Sick (followed by Tea in the Parish Hall)	<i>5th / 6th May 2018</i>
<u>Monday 14th May: St Matthias, Apostle (Feast)</u>	9:00 am: Mass; Private Intention	Envelopes: Loose Plate: Standing Orders: <u>TOTAL:</u> Chad: Intercare: SVP:
<u>Tuesday 15th May: Easter Feria</u>	12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Intentions of Margaret Simmons (Patterson)	<i>Thank you for your continued generosity and support of our Parish.</i>
<u>Wednesday 16th May: Easter Feria</u>	7:00 pm: Mass; Holy Souls	Second Collection THIS Sunday for Catholic Communications Network.
<u>Thursday 17th May: Easter Feria</u>	9:00 am: Mass; Special Intention	<i>Your Prayers are requested for those who are sick:</i> Isobel Alana Barnes, Meg Bailey, Gerhard Barwitzki, Marica Borsos, Margaret Brown, Pat Constable, Jim & Margaret Dougan, Ann Harrison, Emilia Nowicki, Bernadette Retallick, Alan Roberts, Maria Sawicki, Evelyn Venning and Louise Whitham.
<u>Friday 18th May: Easter Feria</u>	12:30 pm: Confessions 1:00 pm: Mass; Sick of the Parish	
<u>Saturday 19th May: Easter Feria</u>	10:00 am: Mass; Sean Hopkins RIP (Joe) 10:45 am: Confessions	
<u>Saturday 19th May: Solemnity of Pentecost</u>	5:00 pm: Confessions 5:30 pm: Mass; Gloria Condon RIP (J & K Stephens)	
<u>Sunday 20th May: Solemnity of Pentecost</u>	9:00 am: Mass; Peace Poppy Smith RIP (1st Anniversary)	

*Items for the newsletter can be given to Fr Christopher or e – mailed to
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ROTAS:	5.30 pm	9.00 am
Welcomers:		D Wilson & M Roy
Next Week:		M Cookson & S Neely
Readers:	P Hubberstey	S Grant
Next Week:	M Cummins	S O' Brien
Offertory:	M & A Simmons	R & N Wilson
Next Week:	J Fox & N Brennan	M Castor & Volunteer
Coffee:	M Calladine & L Whitham	Next Week: J Powell & M Calladine
Cashiers:	J Brennan	Next Week: J Walton
Flowers:	Ann & Sue	Next Week: Suzanne & Margaret J
Cleaning:	Team Freyne	Next Week: Team Agius
Brasses:	K Bennett	Next Week: L Newbold

REQUIESCAT IN PACE: Please remember in your prayers to pray for the repose of the soul of *Tom Farrelly* who died on *Friday 11th May 2018*, at the Queen's Medical Centre. Details of his Funeral arrangements will be given as soon as they are known. We remember him and his family at this sad time. May he rest in peace.

SACRAMENTS OF INITIATION (FIRST CONFESSION / FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION):

Thank you to all those parents who have returned the enrolment forms for First Confession and First Holy Communion. There will be an initial meeting for all parents after Mass and Coffee **THIS SUNDAY, 13th May 2018** in the Parish Hall at 11:00 am. We are also looking to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation later this year or early next, dependent upon the availability of Bishop Patrick. Could the parents of any children in the Parish who are in School Year 7 and above and who have not been Confirmed please see me as soon as possible and collect an enrolment form.

POOR CLARES: The Sisters were overwhelmed with the gifts from our Parish when I saw them on Monday. Although the sisters have not been permanently joined by the sisters from Wales yet, they are visiting and spending time together and this week there have been seven sisters visiting so our gifts and donations were especially welcome. The next visit will be *Monday 28th May 2018. – Diane Wilson.*

FAIR TRADE: Thanks to everyone who supported the Fair Trade Sale last weekend. All proceeds from the sale will go to Mary's Meals – details on the Fair Trade notice board at the back of church. The next sale will be the weekend of *2nd / 3rd June 2018.*

MISSIO: If you have got a MISSIO/Mill Hill Red Box that needs to be emptied could you bring it in for me to empty. Many thanks – *Diane Wilson*

SOCIAL / CATERING COMMITTEE MEETING: will take place on *Tuesday 22nd May at 7:00 pm* in the Parish Hall to discuss up and coming Parish events. All welcome.

RCIA PROGRAMME: Our RCIA Programme will continue again **THIS Wednesday, 16th May 2018 at 7:30 pm** in the Parish Hall. This week's topics are: "*Honouring our Parents; the 4th Commandment,*" and, "*You Shall Not Kill; the 5th Commandment.*" *All welcome to come along and learn more about our faith.*

MASS FOR THE NEWLY RECEIVED: **THIS Sunday, 13th May 2018,** Bishop Patrick will be celebrating Mass at St Barnabas Cathedral at 3:00 pm for those who have recently been received into the Catholic Church (Neophytes). We do hope that those received, along with their family and friends, can make it. Reserved seating is not required, refreshments will be served after the Mass.

ENGLISH MARTYRS SCHOOL: have a vacancy for a Full Time Class Teacher beginning in September 2018. For more information please see the advert on the notice board.

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER: Keeping True to His Name.

We have heard God's Word and we realise the truth of that Word: its call to justice, its charge to forgive and seek reconciliation, its grounding in humility and gratitude. But we have become quite adept at finding ways to justify and rationalise our putting aside truth when it conflicts with our own interests and wants. We are called to honour, regardless of the cost, the holiness of truth – truth that is rooted in the reality of God's love and in the sacredness of every person as created in the image and life of God. The Gospel challenges us to recognise the prejudices, biases, ambitions and hatreds that exist within each one of us and to realise how they affect the decisions we make and what we uphold as "truth." Discovering and proclaiming the "truth" often comes at a price. A world that is more than willing to bend, shape, rework, edit, manipulate and rationalise life's challenges, difficulties and inconveniences to fit its own concept of what the truth should be often fails to appreciate or welcome the prophet / disciple's uncompromised, honest proclamation of God's truth. Facing the truth can be painful; admitting the truth can be costly. But it is in embracing the truth and paying the price for proclaiming it that we can begin to transform our lives, our communities and our world. In calling us to discipleship, Jesus seeks more from us than just having a Baptismal Certificate or taking a seat at Mass each week. He sends us forth to take on His work of healing, of reconciliation, of bringing others to God. By imitating His simple compassion, Christ promises that we can begin to transform the lives of the hurting, the lost and the despairing. By becoming advocates for justice in our own time and place, we can begin to change the unjust attitudes and perspectives that demean and hurt all members of society. By seeking reasons to hope despite the cynicism and negativity that surround us, we also give the world reason to hope.