

St Matthias Church
FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
Sunday 19th May 2019

Welcome all visiting with us for the first time and invite you all to join us, after mass, for Coffee/tea at the back of Church

Sunday 19th	FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Parish Mass 11am
Monday 20th	Monday of Easter	No Mass
Tuesday 21st	Tuesday of Easter	No Mass
Wednesday 22nd	Wednesday of Easter	No Mass
Thursday 23rd	Thursday of Easter	
Friday 24th	Friday of Easter	
Saturday 25th	S Bede the Venerable Pr Dr	Mass 10am
Sunday 26th	SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	Parish Mass 11am

PATRONAL FESTIVAL

What an exceedingly very good Patronal we had! It was a pity that many were absent from the congregation and it was a bit embarrassing at first when guests and visitors started to arrive. We had little to offer in the way of food at the beginning because many arrived after the time stated! Thank you to those who came earlier to assist in preparing for the garden party. It is very frustrating when so much hard work goes in to preparing for our Patronal only to be deflated by the lack of support by those who didn't turn up! One day of the year whereby we should all come together and ensure that we welcome visitors and some decide to stay away. Perhaps next year we can be more organised and prepared. However, once the party got going, we had a fantastic time followed by the wonderful Mass with the participation from the Chorus of Dissent who assisted us with the music. Those of us who did come, all agreed that it was a good 166 years of celebrations!

MASS DURING THE WEEK

Due to the ongoing works of the rewiring of the church and electrics, it is difficult to continue offering the mass. As we can see, with the scaffolding and the equipment laying around, it is not safe to be wandering in the church. This was to be anticipated and it was agreed by the PCC that we should suspend mass until we are up and running and safer to do so. As you can see, works have begun, and progress is being made in only week one! Of course, we anticipate some disruption to the church, but we are promised that it will be worthwhile once completed! Please be patient whilst works are in progress and when we resume our mass during the week, we will offer great thanksgiving to the Glory of God.

RAFFLE

Thank you to all who supported our raffle! Ruth won 1st prize and has agreed to give back the prize to be used at a later date! About £350 was raised going towards the electric project, but we hope that when we run the raffle again later in the year, we will all support the need, Thank you to Antonio for arranging this for us.

PENTECOST

Is just two weeks away bringing an end to the Easter Season! We have a very special guest preacher coming on this day!

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