



Holy Infant's Parish Diary

5th Sunday of Easter [B] 27 April – 3 May 2024

The parish of The Holy Infant and St Anthony

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In the pastoral and spiritual care of the Salesians of Don Bosco

Congratulations: We offer our congratulations to Natalie Harrop and Peter Jessey who were married in church on Saturday, 27 April. We wish them a long and happy married life together.

Fr Billy Molloy: For those who may have missed Fr Billy's funeral Mass from Castlerea, Ireland, a recording of it can be found at the following web address: www.mcn.live/Cameras/Player/239046

Electrical works: Substantial electrical works are being undertaken in the parish church at present: rewiring, the replacement of a number of sockets, new light fittings and bulbs, the installation of emergency lighting. This will enable a safety certificate to be issued to the parish for compliance with statutory law.

Parish Music Group: Please come and join Br Thomas in forming a new parish music group to lead the music for Sunday Mass. If you play an instrument, then come along.

First Communion Sundays: On each of the Sundays of May, a small group of our young parishioners will make their first holy communion during the parish Mass. They will come with their family. I know that the parish will welcome them and support them with prayer.

Rosary: Prayed before Mass on **Tuesday to Saturday**.

HISA Property, Health & Safety Committee meets at **Thornleigh House on Tuesday, 30 April at 1030am – 12pm.**

First Communion Programme: Class meets in the primary school on **Tuesday, April 30 at 3.30pm – 4.15pm.** This will be the final class of preparation.

Holy Infant's Primary School Governors: school visit to monitor the teaching and learning of Maths, followed by a governors' meeting to consider other matters on **Wednesday, 1 May at 10 am – 2pm.**

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: After the **9.30am Mass on Thursday, 2 May** for half an hour.

Parish Drop In: Fr Kieran will be available at Thornleigh House, Sharples Park on **Thursday, 2 May from 7pm – 8pm.** No appointment necessary.

Mass Times This Week

Saturday: Confessions: 6pm – 6.20pm
6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 10am Mass
Monday: No Mass
Tuesday: 9.30am Mass
Wednesday: 9.30am Mass
Thursday: 9.30am Mass
Friday: 9.30am Mass

Mass and Prayer Intentions

Lately Dead: Jane Ginty-Rothwell, Fr Billy Molloy.

Anniversaries: Margaret Holden, Gerard Murphy.

Special Intentions: For the people of the parish, Jodie Corless, Annie Burkhill.



Saint Michael Prayer

Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the divine power of God, cast into hell Satan and all evil spirits who roam throughout the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen



Michael — which means: 'Who is like God?' — is the champion of the primacy of God, of his transcendence and power. Michael fights to reestablish divine justice; he defends the People of God from their enemies and above all from the arch-enemy par excellence, the devil. And St. Michael triumphs because in him it is God who acts... Even if the devil is always trying to scratch the face of the Archangel and the face of man, God is stronger; His is the victory and His salvation is offered to every human being. On the journey and in the trials of life we are not alone, we are accompanied and sustained by the Angels of God, who offer, so to speak, their wings to help us overcome the many dangers, to be able to fly above those realities that can make our lives difficult or drag us down. (Pope Francis)