

St. Edward The Confessor, Milton Keynes

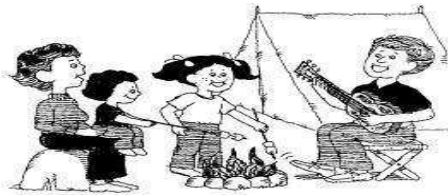


May 20, 2012: Ascension: Year B

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Rome Twelve

Gather round this Sunday afternoon at 5pm for a brief meeting. We shall do some paperwork, tie up loose ends and answer any queries you have.



Confirmation Reunion

Sunday, May 27: 6-7.30pm. Pizza and games. Bring your own games and impress your friends.

Retiring collection

On World Communications Day we are asked to keep those who work in the media in our prayers and there will be a second collection for the Catholic Communications Network (CCN), the media office of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN provides support for the bishops of England and Wales and the Church more widely in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues and was responsible for the Church's media coordination of the Papal Visit. Please help the CCN to promote the Good News through the media, by your prayers and generosity.

Taize Pilgrimage

St Pauls School are taking a group of students aged 16 and over to Taize, France, in July 2012. There are places available. They depart at 5.00 a.m. on Tuesday 10th July and return at 9pm on Sunday 15th July. Cost inclusive of travel, accommodation and food is £137. Students will need a valid UK passport and a European Health Insurance Card. We shall be camping and there are shower and washing facilities on site. For more information contact Andrew.beckett@st-pauls.org.uk or ring on 01908 669735

Taize is a post-war ecumenical monastery not too far north of Macon, in France. It is famed for its music and for its ministry to young people.



No Entry

Year 9 Days of Recollection this week. Please vacate the church by 10.00am, Monday to Thursday. Last Tuesday had no less than three interruptions from people wanting to arrange a baptism. They obviously don't know that I live next door!

First Communion 2013

Enrolment ends after the Masses today. Kathryn and Mark will be leading a session for parents this Sunday afternoon, 2pm—3.30pm. Susan & Maureen will be working with the children.

We expect all the first Communion candidates (and no other children), and at least one parent from each family.

Your offering last weekend


1st: £408. 88

2nd: £44. 35

£221.5: 1st Communion

Weekend Masses: Sat. 6pm: Sun. 8.30 & 10.30am. Weekday Mass (in the chapel): Tuesday, 7.30pm. Wednesday to Friday: 9.30am. Reconciliation: Sat. 5.15-5.45pm and by appointment.

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<p style="text-align: center;">Prayer for Pentecost</p> <p>It is an ancient tradition that, in the nine days leading to Pentecost, the Church prays for the renewal of the Holy Spirit. We have 8 days to go, so I invite you to take a copy of the prayer leaflet from the foyer table.</p> 	<p style="text-align: center;">Web Site & DVD Player</p> <p>Vijay Fernando has offered to take over the running of the parish website from Robert Wallis, who has done it for the last few years. I'm very grateful to both of them. (As well as to Kevin Smith, who keeps getting us out of trouble)!</p> <p>And I'm looking for someone who is sufficiently technical to guide me on the purchase of a DVD machine, and then install it to run on the hymn board! (It will, honest).</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Celebration</p> <p>We are getting close to the final deadline. Have you returned your confirmation sheet?</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Fire Prevention</p> <p>Implementing the Inspector's report has so far cost in the region of £600, for new signs and devices. Please don't use rubber bungs under the kitchen door. Operate the new gadget on the bottom of the door. If there is a problem a signal from the smoke detector we need to buy will close the door.</p>

Liturgy

8.30am: Psalm

All peoples, clap your hands,
cry to God with shouts of joy!
For the LORD, the Most High,
we must fear, great king over all the earth.

God goes up with shouts of joy;
the LORD goes up with trumpet blast.
Sing praise for God, sing praise,
sing praise to our king, sing praise.

God is king of all the earth,
sing praise with all your skill.
God is king over the nations;
God reigns enthroned in holiness.

Gospel Greeting:

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.
Go, make disciples of all the nations; I am
with you always; yes, to the end of time. Al-
leluia, alleluia, alleluia.

8. 30: Recessional hymn

Hail, Queen of heav'n, the ocean star,
guide of the wand'rer here below;
thrown on life's surge, we claim thy care;
save us from peril and from woe.
Mother of Christ, star of the sea,
pray for the wanderer, pray for me.

O gentle, chaste and spotless maid,
we sinners make our prayers through thee;

remind thy Son that he has paid
the price of our iniquity.
Virgin most pure, star of the sea,
pray for the sinner, pray for me.

And while to Him who reigns above,
In Godhead one, in Persons three,
The source of life, of grace, of love
Homage we pay on bended knee,
Do thou bright queen, star of the sea,
Pray for thy children, pray for me.

All Masses: Blessing

Everyone

May the Spirit, who hovered over the waters
when the world was created, breathe into us
the life he gives.

May the Spirit, who overshadowed the Vir-
gin Mary, when the eternal son came among
us, make us joyful in the service of the Lord.

May the Spirit, who set the Church on fire
on the day of Pentecost, bring the world
alive with the love of the risen Christ.

Priest

And so may the blessing of Almighty God,
the Father, and the Son and the Holy Spirit,
be upon us and remain with us always.