St. Michael's Bulletin

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SIXTH SUNDAYOF EASTER, May 17th, 2009
Vigil of Sunday 5.30 pm Peadar Farrell

9.00 am Our Parish family **1030 am Holy Souls**

Monday 9.00am Morning prayer & Mass Tuesday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass
Wednesday 9.00 am Eucharistic Service Thursday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass
Friday 9.00 am Morning prayer & Mass **Saturday Vigil 5.30 pm Holy Souls**

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FOR OUR SICK PARISHIONERS.

Lord, send Your Healing Spirit on all who are in any way sick or distressed: we pray for Claudina Rodrigues, Eugenie Micotti, Alison & Betty Gosling, Ena Wilson, Marguerite Brosnan, Joseph Bradley, Mike Coulehan, Harry Littlefair, Nancy Keogh, Michael Boyle, Donald Garland, Gerald Scullane, Jason Thatcher , Mary Comfry, David Roberts , Marie Evans , Rita Conlon, Margaret Keane, Siobhain Moran, Maureen Vinall and Katie Boyle.

Bring them Your healing and peace.

FOR THE DECEASED MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH FAMILY.

We pray for Peter Ridge, Raymond Dockerty and all who died recently, for all killed in wars, disasters and accidents: victims of terrorism and oppression; and for those who die of starvation or neglect. We remember in prayer Francis O'Neill, Mary Fry, Mary Smith, and Margaret Adams, whose anniversaries fall at this time.

Grant them the joy of Your Presence.

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FIRST HOLY COMMUNION.

We offer our congratulations to the children who made their first Holy Communion on Saturday.
This is a most important step in their young lives because it is the beginning of a new form of relationship with Jesus.
We hope and pray that this relationship will deepen and grow as they continue with their schooling, and help them come to new insights about the way in which God involves us in His life and encourages us to be more involved in the world around us.
We hope that the children and their families had a happy and enjoyable day together, and that as families we all come to a deeper sense of belonging not just to the school and parish community, but also to the greater community of the family of God.

PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will take place on May 31st, beginning with a Shared Lunch at 1200 noon. The Meeting will begin when we have eaten, had a chance to chat together and feel ready for the business of our AGM. This is open to everyone, and we hope that if you have not been to one before, you will come along. It is here that decisions are made about the future of the parish.

ART CLASSES.

These classes are primarily for a adults, but there is a class for children, 8 – 16 on Saturday morning from 9.30am – 1100am..
Times of the classes are – Thursday 1000 am – 1230; Friday 7.00 pm – 1000 pm: Saturday from 1130 am – 2.00 pm.
Maybe those who are retired might like to think about joining such a class and putting your talents to good use.

SAINT BIRINUS PILGRIMAGE.

This takes place on June 21st. It begins at Churn Knob, Blewbury at 1215 with a picnic lunch; the walk begins at 1.00pm.
If you wish to leave your car at Dorchester a bus will pick you up at 1145am and take you to the start. Tea will be served from St Birinus in Dorchester from 4.30pm. There will be a procession to the Abbey at 6.00pm in order to be present for the Service .

ONE DAY VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY AT OUR SCHOOL

People from all walks of life are invited to come into school to talk to the children about their own life experiences and their personal history of work. This gives the children an insight into into the diversity of work open to them when they leave school.
If you are interested to help with this programme, please see the notice at the back of church, or contact the school.

ST MARTIN'S SCHOOL FETE

On Saturday June 13th, from 1200 noon – 2.00pm. Stalls, games, crafts, Bouncy Castle, refreshments, BBQ and Pimms Tent.
The School Orchestra will also be playing for us. You are all most welcome

ARCHBISHOP VINCENT NICHOLS.

On Thursday our current Archbishop, Vincent Nichols will be installed as Archbishop of Westminster.
It will be televised – on BBC2 at 1145am.
It means that we no longer have an Archbishop. In the meantime we will be looked after by Bishops William Kenney and David McGough, whose names will now replace Archbishop Vincent's in our prayers at Mass.
We shall have to wait a few months untl a new Archbishop is appointed to us. But if you have any strong feelings ast to who you think it should be you are invited to make your views known to the Apostolic Delegate at his residence in Wimbledon.

READERS ROTA

The new Rotas for Readers will be produced shortly. This gives an opportunity for any who would like to join in this important Ministry within the parish. If you wish to become a Reader, please let those who compile the Rotas know of your wish. If you wish to read at 5.30 please contact John Rogers; at the 9.00 am please contact Ed Pearce, and at the 1030,. Brian Theobald.

CONFIRMATION

On June 17th Bishop William Kenney will be here to administer the Sacrament of Confirmation. The children at our school who are being confirmed have already begun their intructions. But are there any who are not at our Catholic school who would like to be included in this celebration? Please let me know as soon as possible. Thank you

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May we all have a peace-filled week. Fr Chris