

Wedding Annoucement

The Marriage ceremony of **Elizabeth Vinson** and **James Holden** will take place on Friday 26th May @12pm here at Hill Chapel. We wish them much love and happiness and please keep them in your prayers.

May Procession

On Tuesday May 23rd there will be a May Procession to celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary. . We are asking parishioners to meet in the school hall at 9.30 a.m.. We will process to church led by the children, some of whom will be carrying the statue of Mary. There will then be a special celebration in church to which you all are warmly invited to attend.

Attendance and Collection

30th April Attendance 62 Collection £184.00

7th May Attendance 58 Collection £168.00

We are resuming collections during the mass. We are asking for volunteers to collect - please contact Maria or Bernadette if interested.

Hill Chapel Library

We have a box at the back of church with a variety of religious books belonging to parishioners which other people may like to read. If you would like to borrow any of the books or add some books of your own for other members of our parish to use - you are more than welcome. Please do fill in the form when taking and returning the books. Many thanks.

Parishioners Who are Unwell If you would like the parish to pray for someone, please notify Father Sony on 01772 865229 for inclusion in the Bidding Prayers or newsletter. We also have an area in Church where you can write a prayer intention on a card and hang up if you prefer.

Cycle of Prayer

Right Use of Media especially on World Communications Day -21st May

Feast Days

Mon – St. Rita of Cascia

Thurs – St.Bede the Venerable

Fri – St. Philip Neri

Sat – ST.AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY

A red silhouette of St. Francis of Assisi standing with arms raised in a gesture of blessing or praise. Above his head is a halo and the words "ST. FRANCIS" in a stylized font. Below the figure, the words "THE HILL" are written in a similar font.

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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER Communications day

21st May - Readings - Year A

Parish Mission Statement

Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.

Today's Mass Intention is for the People of the Parish

We pray for all who are unwell in our parish especially BillBamber, Lawrence Ibison, Monica Gornall, Shirley Walker, Constance Mary Barber as well as Birdie Platt, Paul Bamber & Magi Clabrough.

May Procession on Tuesday May 23rd @ 9.30am.
Tea and Coffee are served at the back of church after Sunday Mass.

Please note our new website address at the top of the page

School News - May 23

Time is continuing to fly on by with only one half term left before the end of the school year. Our Year Two and Year Six pupils have finished their Sats and we are planning lots of exciting activities for the end of term.

We continue to have our weekly Class Masses, The whole school celebrated Ascension Thursday in Church at 10.30am on May 18th.

We are busy planning our May Procession **on Tuesday May 23rd to celebrate the Blessed Virgin Mary**. . We are asking parishioners to meet in the school hall at 9.30 a.m.. We will process to church led by the children, some of whom will be carrying the statue of Mary. There will then be a special celebration in church to which you all are warmly invited to attend.

In Religious education we are looking at being Stewards of God's Creation and asking ourselves how we can make an impact in helping God's kingdom to grow and thrive here on earth.

In the month of May – Mary's month, we have also been looking at Mary, the Mother of Jesus, Queen of heaven and Our Lady of many shrines around the world – so many different names yet all the one very special person.

All our classrooms are alive and colourful with beautiful displays showing lots of examples of the childrens work.

We had a whole school Coronation Celebration with staff and pupils wearing red, white and blue and sharing a special Celebration meal together.

As Pendle Class conitnur to enjoy listening tp Fairy Tales , they are also looking at books by Matty Long. His books take children into a world of magic adventures – especially in the Magic Forest and are full of exciting illustrations. Pendle Class have just been on a 'Buddy' Adventure' in the Millennium Garden, looking for minibeats, sketching and having fun exploring.

Parlick Class have really enjoyed reading 'The Wind in the Willows' by Kenneth Grahame. They have all designed a waistcoat for Toad. They have created a Forest Habitat and have made finger puppets of all the different characters.

Fairsnape Class viisted Myerscough College and looked at how plants grow in different temperatures, especially in tropical climates. They are now inspired to do some of 'hands on gardening' around the school grounds in the cottage garden area. They are busy sharing ideas on planning what herbs and vegetables would grow and thrive and planning the next stage.

Beacon Class do like to be 'Beside the Seaside'. They have had a visit from the Beacon Rock Pool Road Show where the sea comes alive in the classroom, looking at and feeling a variety of sea creatures and finding out more about how they survive. They have also visited Fleetwood Museum where they explored and discovered Fleetwood's heydey as a Victorian Seaside resort.

All Classes are preparing for 'St Francis Art Exhibition' which will take place in June – We will keep you updated.

Sixteen of our Year Four pupils are preparing to receive their First Communion on June 11th at 10.30a.m. mass on the Feast of Corpus Christi. please do remember them in your prayers.

Mary's Meals

Mary's Meals is a Catholic Charity that gives a free nutritious meal to over 2.4 million children every school day in over 18 countries. This encourages them into the classroom, giving them energy to learn in school and build a ladder out of poverty.

It costs £19.15 to feed a child for a whole school year, just 10p per meal. That's small change, with a big impact. **We are asking all parishoners to donate £1. This will enable us to provide 2 or 3 children with a meal a day for a year. Mary's meals will then send us a First Communion Card saying that our parish has given this gift on behalf of our First Communicants.** They will al have this card as a memento of how we are spreading God's love in our world today. **There is a 'Mary's Meals' collection box at the back of church. If you would be able to donate £1– we would be extremely grateful. Thank You!**