

**Newsletter for the Catholic Worshipping Communities of
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*Fáilte! Bienvenue! Witajcie! Merhba! Mabuhay! Bienvenidos! Benvenuto! Croeso! Welcome to all!
The Parish clergy are Gerard Flynn, Priest, and Peter Doran, Deacon.*

Sixth Sunday of Easter, 13th May 2012, Year B, the year of Mark

May is the month of Mary. The Memorare is a great prayer invoking Mary's intercession.

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary, never was it known that anyone who fled to thy protection, implored thy help, or sought thy intercession was left unaided. Inspired with this confidence, I fly to thee, O Virgin of virgins, my Mother; to thee do I come; before thee I stand, sinful and sorrowful. O Mother of the Word Incarnate, despise not my petitions, but in thy mercy hear and answer me. Amen.



A vocation prayer by St Francis

All Highest and Glorious God, cast your light into the darkness of my heart.

Grant me right faith, firm hope, perfect charity, profound humility, with wisdom and perception, O Lord, so that I may always and everywhere seek to know and do what is truly your holy will, through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Scriptures at mass for the Sixth Sunday of Easter: No greater love ...

The baptism of Cornelius, the first pagan to receive the grace of baptism, shows that God's salvation is offered to all.
(Acts 10:25-26.34-35.44-48)

This reading contains probably the most important statement ever made about God. (1 John 3:18-24)

Alleluia, alleluia!

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia!

Jesus leaves his friends the supreme commandment of love. (John 15:9-17)

Parish Mass Book You will find the Proper for the Sixth Sunday of Easter on pages 266-268.

World Communications Day is next weekend on Ascension Sunday. We are encouraged to pray for communications professionals. There will be a second collection for the Catholic Communications Network. 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. It was responsible for the Church's media co-ordination of the Papal Visit. Please support the CCN through your prayers and generosity. Postcards with more information are available.

Fr Gerard edits this newsletter. Please submit items to him a week ahead of publication. Large print copies are available.

Our liturgies this week

Saturday 12th May

5th Week of Easter

Parish Day at Verbum Dei Centre, Carisbrooke: our Parish Mass will be celebrated as the day ends, around 4 pm. (Antonio San Luis RIP)

Sunday 13th May

Sixth of Easter

9 am Totland

Mass Garland family

11 am Newport

Mass Leo Sheerin

5 pm Totland

Mass for the people

6 pm Totland

Christian Aid Service

Monday 14th May

St Matthias

10 am Newport

Mass George & Julia

Tuesday 15th May

6th Week of Easter

10 am Totland

Mass Les Wells RIP

12.15 pm Newport

Mass Pastoral Area

Wednesday 16th May

6th Week of Easter

No Mass today

Thursday 17th May

6th Week of Easter

No mass today

10.30 am – 4 pm

Exposition

Friday 18th May

6th Week of Easter

10 am Totland

Mass priest's intention

Saturday 19th May

Cathedral Dedication

6 pm Newport

Reconciliation

6.30 pm Newport

Mass for the people

Sunday 20th May

Ascension of the Lord

9 am Totland

Mass M. Metcalf RIP

11 am Newport

Mass Duncan Reid RIP

5 pm Totland

Mass Michael Hayes RIP

Welcome to newly baptised Tate Cecil and Oliver Watts.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Christopher Young RIP whose funeral will be at 10 am Mass on Monday 21st May at St Thomas. We also pray for all our sick and housebound parishioners.

Christian Aid Week begins with a 6 pm ecumenical service at St Saviour this Sunday 13th May. Please come along to worship with fellow local Christians. Envelopes, posters and bags for the house to house collection are ready in the church porch. Volunteers please distribute and collect during this week. Thanks, Petua Magee

Silver Jubilee of Abbatial Blessing On Thursday Fr Gerard will concelebrate Mass at St Cecilia's Abbey, Ryde on this occasion when we pray in thanksgiving for the community and especially for Mother Ninian, the Abbess. There is no mass at St Thomas that day.

Parish Ladies Group meet at 7.30 pm on 23rd May in Holyrood Hall, to hear Mrs Chris Rickards, Lady Toastmaster. Ring Eileen Hughes on 523901 for details.

Hospital If you are going into hospital you can prepare by celebrating the Sacrament of the Sick; just ask Fr Gerard. When you are admitted please always be sure to say that you are Catholic so that the Chaplaincy Team will know.

Scripture discussion groups continue at 5 pm on Saturdays at St Thomas and after 7 pm Exposition on Tuesdays at St Saviour. Please feel welcome to come and discuss the readings for the forthcoming Sunday.

Collections for 5th/6th 2012

(previous week in brackets)

Loose	£ 514.70	(£ 479.58)
Gift Aided	£ 634.75	(£ 668.59)
Bankers' orders	£ 250.00	(£ 250.00)
<u>Total</u>	£ 1399.45	(£ 1398.17)

Thank you for all your kind donations. (Next weekend there is a collection for World Communications, announced prematurely in the previous newsletter. Apologies!)

Sally Griffin writes:

Table-top, Tea & Tombola
Saturday 23rd June 9 am - 12.30 pm at St Thomas: Goods are needed for the Tombola. If you are able to donate to this stall please put items in the box at the back of Church.
Thank you.

The Associates of the Sisters of Christ have a Strawberry Tea at Springhill Convent, East Cowes at 2 pm on Tuesday 29th May at 2 pm for £ 4. Please phone Pam on 298843 or Chris on 296598 for tickets.

Housekeeping Lady seeks work in Newport/Carisbrooke. Good references. Please contact Paul for details on 529822.

*A children's liturgy leader asked her children, as they were on the way back into mass, as the homily was ending: "And why is it necessary to be quiet in church?"
One bright little girl replied,
"Because people are sleeping."*

The Associates of the Sisters of Christ invite you to Jubilee Cocktails on the terrace viewing P&O Cruise Liners, Tuesday 3rd July, 6 pm to 8.30 pm at Springhill, East Cowes with sparkling wine and canapés. Bring binoculars and cameras. Admission by ticket only @ £12.50 from Mrs. C. Thomson, Springhill Convent, Millfield Ave, East Cowes, PO32 6AT, before 30th May. I enclose £forplaces at £12.50 per ticket with s.a.e for 'Jubilee Cocktails on the Terrace' at Springhill on Tuesday 3rd July 2012

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