



# NEWSLETTER

## ST STEPHEN - ST BRIDGET

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### FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) 15 MAY 2022

Saturday 14 May	St Bridget's	5.00 pm <i>Confessions</i> 5.30pm <b>Mass:</b> People of the Parish
Sunday 15 May	St Stephen's St Bridget's	9.45am <b>Mass:</b> Oliver Tierney 11.30am <b>Mass:</b> Special Intention (J)
Tues 17 May	St Stephen's	9am <b>Mass:</b> Ben Yaxley
Wed 18 May	St Bridget's St Stephen's	10am <b>Mass:</b> Private Intention 1pm <b>Funeral Service:</b> Maureen Laff
Thur 19 May	St Stephen's	9am <b>Mass:</b> Private Intention
Frid 20 May	St Bridget's	5.30pm <i>Exposition &amp; Devotions</i> 6pm <b>Mass:</b> Private Intention
Sat 21 May	St Stephen's	9.30am <i>Exposition &amp; Devotions</i> 9.30am <i>Confessions</i> 10am <b>Mass:</b> Private Intention

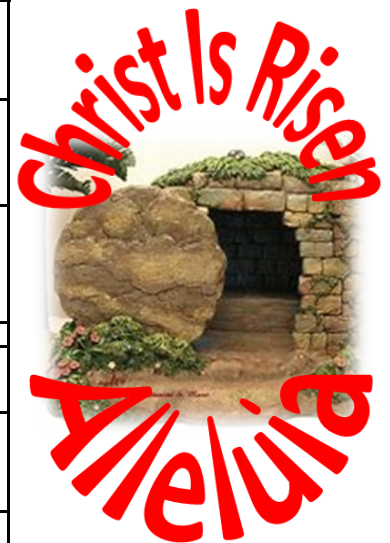
### SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) 22 MAY 2022

Saturday 21 May	St Bridget's	5.00 pm <i>Confessions</i> 5.30pm <b>Mass:</b> People of the Parish
Sunday 22 May	St Stephen's St Bridget's	9.45am <b>Mass:</b> Denis McCue Snr. 11.30am <b>Mass:</b> Jasmine Turner

### Feasts & Celebrations This Week...

- 18 May. Optional: Pope St John I (*Pope & Martyr*)  
19 May. Optional St Dunstan (*Bishop*)  
20 May. Optional: St Bernadine of Siena (*Priest & Religious*)  
21 May. Optional: St Christopher of Magallanes (*Priest & Martyr*)  
& Companions (*Martyrs*)

**Sunday 29 May — World Communication Day — special collection**



### PARISH FUNDRAISING when you shop on-line

Access over 3,600 shops  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)  
and St Stephen's and  
St Bridget's will receive  
charitable donations

#### How to get started:

Log-on to  
[www.easyfundraising.org.uk](http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk)  
Then type '**Parish  
Development Fund  
St Stephens**'  
in the search box and click.  
(despite the one title the  
fund is for both parishes.)

Then follow the  
instructions for set up -  
name/email/password  
and click.

Then access your chosen  
shops and the parish will  
receive donations.

Don't forget recommend  
this to others!

From Fr John's desk...

### St Stephen's

The microphone system has been repaired but the recent problem has urged me to move forward with looking at a new more modern sound system. I am presently looking at two companies and will invite them to come and design a system that will suit our needs.

The heating system will soon need to be replaced and I am looking at various possibilities in order to work toward making the church building carbon neutral.

The statue of our Lady of Walsingham which I acquired last week has been taken to the restorers and will be enshrined in the church soon. I am delighted that we will be united with our National Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham by having a copy of the statue in the church.

### St Bridget's

I understand that the parish of The Resurrection will not be replacing the Rev. Tracey McLoughlin. As yet I have not heard officially what is happening about the future of the parish of The Resurrection — as to whether or not they intend to relocate. As soon as I have any official news I will be organising a parish meeting for the parishioners of St Bridget's to discuss what that would mean for the future of the parish of St Bridget. In terms of the building it certainly needs more than financial support from both communities for it to have any long-term sustainability. In the next year or so the building will also need a new roof and a heating system upgrade.

### First Holy Communions 2022

It was certainly very good to have the First Holy Communion celebrations back in the month of May — the first time since the Covid-19 pandemic began. I know some parishes have not yet caught up with the First Holy Communion celebrations missed because of Covid. Thank God we were able to work around the pandemic and celebrate the First Holy Communions each year — even if just with immediate families attending or at a different time of the year. My thanks especially to the headteachers and staff of our two schools who ensured the children were prepared during the pandemic and my grateful thanks to the First Holy Communion catechists who were able to continue their work again this year preparing the children and parents of this 2021-2022 cohort. Thank you to all those who came to the celebrations and those who took part—especially our singers and musicians. The next cohort 2022-2023 start their preparation this autumn.



For more information please contact the website below.

[www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk/doublethelove)



### ST OLIVER'S TOTE

I am pleased to inform you that the Tote will resume again from Saturday 28th May

- Sanitise your hands
- Face mask recommended
- Holy Communion: bench by bench, in two rows.



### MAY BAPTISMS

Please remember in your prayers Penelope M McKean & Thomas C Franklin, who will be baptised this May. Please also remember their parents and families.



### St Stephen's Church Cleaning



**TUESDAY 24 MAY 6PM**  
Spare an hour - come and help!

### MARRIAGE BANNES

In June 22 - the marriage of **Anthony Joseph Abbott** to **Heather Jane Barrick** at St Bridget's Church.

In August 22 - the Marriage of **Jason Newton (Verdon)** to **Jade Elizabeth Davies** at St Stephen's Church.

In October 22 - the marriage of **William Anthony Gillespie** to **Katie Louise Richards** at St Stephen's Church.

**If anyone know of any reason why the above mentioned should not be joined in holy matrimony please would they inform Fr John soon**

**LADIES GUILD**  
17 MAY 2022  
- 7.30pm



St Bridget's Church Hall

A warm welcome to ladies of St Bridget's & St Stephen's parishes and those of neighbouring parishes. All welcome.

**BINGO** *St Bridget's Church Hall*  
Night

**SATURDAY**  
14 May 7.30pm  
(and every 2nd Saturday of the month!)