

## Our Lady of Fatima Feast day 13th May

The niece of Fatima visionary Sr. Lucia dos Santos said her aunt was a normal person like everyone else, but shared some personal advice that her saintly relative used to give: to pray every single day. She always asked me to pray the rosary every day, because there were many who did not pray". "This was what Our Lady asked: that we pray the rosary every day. Because there were many who didn't pray and because of this many souls went to hell because there was no one to pray for them," she said. She recalled that in a few of the conversations she had with her aunt, she confessed to not finishing the rosary because she was tired, having worked hard in the fields all day. In response, Lucia didn't reproach, but instead told her to "always start it, and if you don't finish, Our Lady will finish it."

*O Most Holy Virgin Mary, Queen of the most holy Rosary, you were pleased to appear to the children of Fatima and reveal a glorious message. We implore you, inspire in our hearts a fervent love for the recitation of the Rosary. By meditating on the mysteries of the redemption that are recalled therein may we obtain the graces and virtues that we ask, through the merits of Jesus Christ, our Lord and Redeemer.*

"Mary told the children that people should add this prayer to the end of each decade of the Rosary.

*O my Jesus, forgive us our sins, save us from the fires of hell, lead all souls to Heaven, especially those most in need of Thy mercy. Amen."*



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**SAFEGUARDING** - The Parish operates in accordance with Statutory Safeguarding Guidance and the National and Archdioceses policies and procedures at all times. Our Parish Safeguarding Representatives are Mrs Epi Pfunde and Miss Lilli Pace. They can be contacted at [sg.olol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk](mailto:sg.olol.kingswinford@racob.org.uk) or [sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:sg.stmary.brierleyhill@rcaob.org.uk) or alternatively the Diocesan Safeguarding team can be contacted on 0121 230 6240 / [safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk](mailto:safeguarding@rcaob.org.uk) if you have any concern.

## **SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B**

**12TH MAY 2024**

### **PSALM RESPONSE**

The Lord has set his sway in heaven.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord:  
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.  
Alleluia, alleluia!

### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Father I pray that they may be one  
as we also are one, alleluia.

Easter B1	Easter	Intention/Info
<b>Sunday 11th/12th</b> <b>7th Sunday of</b> <b>Easter</b>	<b>5pm Mass KF</b> <b>9.45am Mass BH</b>	People of the Parish Patrick McCarthy
Monday 13th Our Lady of Fatima	<b>10am Mass KF</b>	
Tuesday 14th St Matthias	<b>NO MASS</b>	_____
Wednesday 15th	<b>10am Mass BH</b> <b>10.30am-11am BH</b>	Leah Adoration and Confessions
Thursday 16th	<b>NO MASS</b>	_____
Friday 17th	<b>10am Mass KF</b> <b>10.30am-11am KF</b>	Aleyamma Adoration and Confessions
Saturday 18th	<b>5pm Mass KF</b>	Francis and Olwen Borg
<b>Sunday 18th/19th</b> <b>Pentecost</b>	<b>5pm Mass KF</b> <b>9.45am Mass BH</b>	Francis and Olwen Borg People of the Parish

Please pray for all those whose have died recently especially those on our May deceased lists and for all those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May they all rest in peace.

Please pray for all those who are sick including Becky Lodge, Chris Payne, Fr Cecil, Irene Brown, Christine Holding, Brian Saunders, Christine, Marlene and Tony Lyons, Ian Manley, Noel O'Reilly, Georgina Czuk, Martha Jones, Mavis Geach, Sheila Rowley, Roger Ward, Pauline Bant, Dorothy West, Kath Emery, Patricia Smith, Chris and Tony Rylands, Margaret List, Ken Lowe, Rob Bryan, Betty Storey and Connie Birch. May the Lord grant them hope and healing.

**Collections** BH GA £28.00 Loose £243.37 CAFOD £166.80 Craft group £20.00 Teas £109.28  
KF GA £120.00 Loose £143.42 CAFOD £132.20 Repository £160.00

**SECOND COLLECTIONS - This week for Catholic Communications, next week for Church Maintenance.**

**BRIERLEY HILL: Craft Group** Mon 13th May 2pm to 4pm in Parish Centre  
**KINGSWINFORD: Friday 9.30 - 11.30am Foodbank .**

**FOODBANKS - If you are able to donate to them they will be happy to accept your donations as the need is growing.**

**Tea/coffee after Mass** - Please join Fr Shanju and stay for tea and coffee after Mass on Sunday morning at BH for a chat and a catch up. No teas at KF until further notice.

**Confirmation** - The Sacrament of Confirmation will take place of Friday 21st June at St Mary's at 7pm for the children from St Mary's school. Please pray for the candidates, their families and their teachers as they prepare for this Sacrament.

**Mass intentions** There are vacancies for Mass intentions on weekdays. If you would like the Mass offered for your intention please write the name and Church requested on an envelope and give it to Fr Shanju. Masses can also be requested for weekends but may take longer to be said. Thank you.

**Multi-cultural Mass** - We will be having a multi-cultural Mass at BH on Sunday 23rd June. If you would be willing to sing or say a prayer in your native language please let Fr Shanju know. On the day we would welcome donations of different types of food from the various cultures if possible. Thank you.

**Defibrillator training** - is there anyone able to offer training to some parishioners on how to use the defibrillator in an emergency? Please let Fr Shanju or Stephanie know. Thanks

### **ST MATTHIAS FEAST DAY 14TH MAY**

In today's reading after Judas, one of the twelve had betrayed Jesus he had taken his own life. So, with their number down to eleven, they had to replace him with someone who had been a witness to the Resurrection. Both the loss of Judas, and the manner of choosing his replacement, were both foretold and assisted by their finding some spirit led direction in the Psalms and in the Hebrew Scriptures. To choose the replacement for Judas, they drew lots. They replaced him with Matthias, and he was enrolled with the other apostles. He worked for the faith in Palestine and was later stoned to death.

St Matthias pray for us.



**Pope's prayer intention for May** For the formation of religious and seminarians. We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their own vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel. Amen