

PARISH OF THE ENGLISH MARTYRS Goring Way

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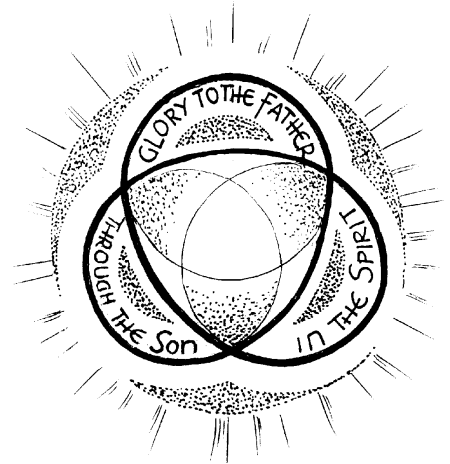
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The Most Holy Trinity

Saturday	15 th	6.00 pm	Canon Peter Phillips RIP
Sunday	16 th	8.15 am	Michael Aherne RIP
		10.30 am	Roger Davis RIP
		6.00 pm	Polish Mass
Monday	17 th	9.30 am	The Parish
Tuesday	18 th	9.30 am	Jack & Mary Haugh RIP
		7.30 pm	Choir Practice
Wednesday	19 th	9.30 am	Stephanie Shepherd RIP
Thursday	20 th	7.30 pm	The Parish
Friday	21 st	9.30 am	Holy Souls
Saturday	22 nd	6.00 pm	Laura Phillips RIP
Sunday	23 rd	8.15 am	Teresa Ryan RIP
		10.30 am	The Parish



SATURDAY: Exposition with Benediction: 10.00 - 11.00am. Reconciliation: 10.15 – 10.45 am & 5.15 - 5.45 pm

TODAY'S READINGS: Proverbs 8:22-31; Paul to the Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Genesis 14: 18-20; 1 Corinthians 11: 23-26; Luke 9: 11-17

COLLECTIONS: Church: £723 Thank you for your generosity.
This weekend there will be a Second Collection for the Day of Life (NO Gift Aid)

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Brian Dunne, Patrick Ryan, Sheila Tune, Michael Butler, Brenda Peazold, Rosie Grove, Mary Wessel, Gina Palermo, Elizabeth Hoskins, Peggy Gallagher, Joan Cutmore, Christine Watson, Gordon Milne, Bernard Bandy, Deacon Pat Moloney, Alfred Deacon, Ester Park, Marie Garselis, Roni Horstead, Ronnie Tyler, Jenny Begley, Bill Hogg, Breda Schlimgen, Michaela Finn, Winifred Lyons, Yvette Allen, Leslie Lee, Kerry McStravick, Lydia Van Melsen

2. THOSE WHO HAVE DIED RECENTLY and those whose anniversaries occur about now, Winifred Roland, Thomas Smith, John Foley, Liam McCann, Dorothy Firth-Scott, Frances Smith, Daniel Ions, Sylvia Smyth, Bridget Bullock, Rene Woods, Harry Jacobs,

3. WELCOME TO ANY VISITORS to our Parish this weekend. We do hope that you have enjoyed your stay

4. MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: At all three Masses next weekend there will be a ceremony of Renewal of Commitment on the part of the Eucharistic Ministers. Those who will be away are asked to make their renewal at some other time.

5. THE FIRST OF OUR ENGLISH MARTYRS GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS: THE PARISH GARDEN PARTY will be taking place on Saturday 6th July from 2.00 until 5.00 pm with a delicious tea, accordion accompaniment and fun and games for the children on Father Liam's lawn. It will only be a successful start to our celebrations if you come and bring all your family members! Many thanks to those who have already sent in 'Memorabilia' illustrating life in the Parish throughout the past 50 years. Adrian and Breda would love to see still more if you can find it.

6. HANDMADE CARDS FOR FATHER'S DAY (which is on 16th June) are now available in the Shop. All proceeds from the sale of these cards goes to the Parish Project in Kalingalinga

7. TRADCRAFT will be on sale after all Masses **this** weekend

8. ARUNDEL CATHEDRAL FESTIVAL OF CORPUS CHRISTI & CARPET OF FLOWERS: Free Entry. 9.30 am to 8 pm on Wednesday 19th and 9.30 am to 5.30 pm on Thursday 20th June. Solemn Mass and Procession to Castle at 5.30 pm on 20th. Refreshments in the Cathedral Centre. All welcome!

9. RACE FOR LIFE 2019 is coming to Worthing on 16th June and this year 'Males' may also participate. The event raises awareness to cancer and provides vital funds for research and cure. For further details see: www.raceforlife/worthing

10. 'FRIENDSHIP AT THE BARN' NEEDS YOU! Could you drive one Friday afternoon a month to bring guests with out transport too and from the afternoon teas? Could you offer 3 1/2 hours one Friday afternoon a month to help serve teas and coffee and cakes to all the guests who come to make them welcome? We are reaching many new people , those new to the area seeking friendship, those newly bereaved and seeking company and support as well as those hoping for company and a good chat . As our numbers grow we are in need of more people to help us. Please contact: Jane-Anne - 07765 403883 or Veronica - 01903 446742 for further information. Thank you

11. MARY'S MEALS: We are now in particular need of Soap, Toothpaste and Pencil Cases. Many thanks to all who so generously contribute to these backpacks

12. TURNING TIDES (Worthing Churches Homeless Projects): Items they currently need: Coffee, Sugar, Baked Beans, Tinned Tomatoes, Tinned Meals, Jams and Spreads, Tinned Tuna, Rice Pudding, Cooking Oil, Juice, Biscuits. Also Baking Trays, Saucepans, Tea Towels, Cleaning products and Washing Tablets/Powders. In clothing they need small waist Jeans, Men's Hoodies. Boxers and Men's T-Shirts. Many thanks to those who are so generous in their donations throughout the year.

Father Liam says: Many years ago when I was a humble curate a new Parish Priest was appointed and one of his first initiatives was to encourage the parishioners to invest in a Sunday Missal. He did not approve of all these A4 sheets that contain the readings and prayers of the Mass – he felt that a Missal was much more dignified and gave the people an opportunity to acquaint themselves with the Scripture readings in advance. A large number of these Missals found their way into the Repository and many people acquired them – at a time in the Church's year – such as we have just now. The problem was that we had a succession of big feasts that the Sunday Missal did not cater for – The Ascension, Corpus Christi, St Peter and Paul among them. So the launch of that great initiative was less than spectacular!

Last Sunday we had the Feast of Pentecost marking the end of the great Season of Easter. Today we celebrate the Feast of the Holy Trinity followed by Corpus Christi and the Feast of Sts Peter and Paul on the following Sundays. So it will not be until 7th July that we resume having green as the liturgical colour of our Sunday Masses. We last used green on Sunday way back on 3rd March – just before the Season of Lent began - so we have changed colours a number of times since then, from purple to violet to white. We had red last week for Pentecost as we will again in two weeks to honour Sts Peter and Paul.

We have been honouring some other events as well at this time. Last Sunday we celebrated the day on which many of our young people received their First Holy Communion. This was indeed a very special day for them, for their families and for our Parish. We offer our most sincere thanks to their Catechists who have put so much effort and love into making it so special. Today the children receive their First Holy Communion Certificates.

We have recently been remembering the 75th Anniversary of the D-Day landings, which were decisive in the closing stages of World War II. On a happier note, there have been celebrations – certainly in Connemara – marking the centenary of the first crossing of the Atlantic by plane. Alcock and Brown were those magnificent aviators who were the first to fly the Atlantic non-stop. Jack Alcock and Arthur Brown (known to his family as Ted) set off from a gusty St John's in Newfoundland on a Saturday morning 14th June 1919. They made the crossing in 16 hours and 28 minutes in a fragile, two-seater open cock-pit airplane – then the longest flight ever made and landed in a bog near Clifden in Co. Galway at 8.40 am on Sunday 15th June. The local people were all at church when they landed. Those were the days! Most were at Mass and some were at the Church of Ireland Service. The first witness was a little boy, Harry Sullivan, who was kept at home for fear of contracting the fearful Spanish Flu that was raging. There were more casualties of the Spanish Flu than those lost in World War I.

Brown's first words were 'Yesterday we were in America'. Word soon got around and the Vimy plane, damaged as it came down, became a celebrity in itself – while the aviators were hailed as heroes of a new wonderful age of flight. Alcock was from Manchester and was 27 at the time, always into mechanical engineering. He was the eldest of five and was shy and hated publicity. Brown's family were Americans who had settled in Scotland. He was an only child, aged 33 and more sociable. Both were veterans of the First World War. Brown had been through the Somme and suffered from a shattered leg. They met at a Vickers training station and both were interested in flight. Lord Northcliffe, the Press baron, was offering prize money of £100,000 (about half a million pounds today) for the Atlantic crossing.

It was a dangerous mission. Fatalities involved in early flight – pioneered by the Wright brothers in 1899 – were high. They used marine instruments of compass and sextant to guide them. They carried a colossal tank of 865 gallons of fuel and two bags of mail, making it the first ever air mail postal service. There were terrifying moments, as when the engine stalled and they dropped 500 feet. Their radio conked out and an exhaust pipe broke. The noise from the engine made conversation impossible and they had to communicate in notes. Some are still preserved. (One says: 'Have a sandwich') Sadly Alcock was killed later that year flying from London to Paris in bad conditions. Brown passionately believed that aviation would be a bridge to world peace but he was greatly disillusioned as he witnessed aerial bombing develop during World War II. His son was killed in aerial combat. Brown died at 62 from an apparent accidental pain-killer overdose – still suffering from his leg injuries. Today Clifden, the Capital of Connemara, will be the centre of great celebrations. It would be nice to think that the churches will be full as well!