

# The Catholic Parish of Ongar and Doddinghurst



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## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) Sunday 4th May, 2025



Miracle of the Draught of Fish

## **Third Sunday of Easter C) Sun 4th May, 2025**

Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, Alleluia.**

**Christ is risen, who created all things  
and has shown compassion on the human race.  
Alleluia.**

Communion Antiphon:

**The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread,  
alleluia.**

**Weekend Masses 3rd/4th May - please note this weekend our Eucharistic Ministers Jim Browning, Anne Robertson and Lorraine Mitchell will be leading the Sunday Services at the usual times on Saturday 5.30pm, Sunday 8.45am and 10.30am respectively. Fr. Frank Westcott will be starting at Ongar and Doddinghurst the following weekend from Saturday 10th May onwards.**

**PPC AGM - The Annual General Meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) is now cancelled for the moment. More info to follow at a later date.**

**The Bishops Conference** has set up an online book of condolence for Pope Francis. <https://popefrancistributes.com/>

**St Margaret's Gardening** There will be a gardening and pizza evening on Friday 9th May. Please bring your gardening equipment and help to tidy our lovely grounds. We will be there from 5pm and if there are enough of us we should only need to spend an hour on the garden and then enjoy pizza together in the hall afterwards. *St Margaret's Hall Committee*

**Doddy Drop In** The next **Doddy Drop In** local social monthly meet on the second Tuesday of every month will take place on Tuesday 13th May at 2-4pm. All welcome to join for tea, cake, board/card games, crafts and a natter.

**100 Club** Congratulations go to Dhilma who was the lucky winner of £101.00 in our Parish 100 Club monthly draw. If you would like to join please get touch with Anne Robertson or Bernie Wrobel. Tickets are £24 each for one year and it is a nice way to support the parish.

**Foreign Currency for 'Mary's Meals':** Please donate any unwanted currency or any UK notes and coins that are no longer legal tender to the Parish Office which we will forward to 'Mary's Meals', which is a charity which helps to provide nutritious school meals to children living in some of the world's poorest countries. Mary's Meal's was also recently supported by our Lenten Lunches. Thank you. [www.marysmeals.org.uk](http://www.marysmeals.org.uk)

**Second Collection** next weekend for Promotion of Vocations. Thank you.

**Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham for young people (18+), Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2025** A group of representatives from the BCYS (aged 18+), will join Bishop Alan and other parishes on pilgrimage to Walsingham, with opportunities for readers, servers, musicians and singers during the day. There will be Mass at the Basilica, walking the Holy Mile to the grounds of Walsingham Abbey, Vespers and Benediction on the site of the Holy House. To apply to join the BCYS group and find more information, please visit [www.bcys.net/events](http://www.bcys.net/events)

### **Brentwood Catholic Youth Service – Monthly Youth Mass**

Each month, **on the first Thursday**, the BCYS invite young people, Youth Groups, Confirmation Groups and School Groups to celebrate Mass together with other young Catholics from all around the Diocese.

The evening begins at 6pm with pizza and refreshments in the Parish Hall, followed by around an hour of input before celebrating Mass together at 7:30pm. The whole evening finishes around 8:30pm. There is no need to book and no cost for this - please feel very welcome to come along and simply find out more about the BCYS and what they offer!

**REPOSITORY** We have cards and gifts for Christmas, First Holy Communion's, Baptisms, Mass Intention Cards and other occasions for sale in the Repository in the porch at St Helen's at very reasonable prices. Please pay using the card box on the wall in the porch or get in touch with Ann Jackson if anything else required. Thank you.

**Whatsapp Group:** If anyone would like to join the parish Whatsapp Group please contact Denise Terry-Roberts at [d.terryroberts@btinternet.com](mailto:d.terryroberts@btinternet.com) or on 07545 240064 to get your mobile number added.

**St. Margaret's Hall Hire** St. Margaret's is available for hire for private functions and parties, children's parties, fitness classes, local groups and events holding up to 100 people at reasonable rates. If you would like more information or to make a booking please contact Kelly Love on 01277 362645, [ongar@brcdt.org](mailto:ongar@brcdt.org) or whatsapp/msg 07929241350 last minute bookings only)  
**Hall Usage Calendar** <https://catholicparishongar.org/hall-usage-calendar/>  
**Parish Events Diary** <https://catholicparishongar.org/parish-events-calendar/>

Mass Attendance: Apr 26/27 5.30pm: **35** Sun 8.45am: **19** 10.30am: **60**

Offertory Cash/Chq Collection: £500.18

Please make cheques payable to: 'Catholic Church Ongar St Helens'

For electronic payments please email [ongar@brcdt.org](mailto:ongar@brcdt.org)

For Gift Aid/Envelopes please contact Bernard Adams 01277 823511

**Thank you for your continued selfless generosity and support.**

**Please consider remembering the parish in your will. Thank you.**

## **MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS**

### **THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)**

<b>SAT 3 MAY</b>	<b>St H 5.30pm</b>	<b>Eucharistic Minister Led Service</b> The People of the Parish
<b>SUN 4 MAY</b>	<b>St H 8.45am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Minister Led Service</b> Fr Emile Int. (Lillie & Marvin Bourke)
	<b>St M 10.30am</b>	<b>Eucharistic Minister Led Service</b> The People of the Parish
<b>MON 5 MAY</b>		No Mass
<b>TUES 6 MAY</b>	<b>St H 9.00am</b>	No Mass
<b>WED 7 MAY</b>	<b>St H 9.00am</b>	No Mass
<b>THU 8 MAY</b>	<b>St H 9.00am</b>	No Mass
<b>FRI 9 MAY</b>	<b>St H 9.00am</b>	No Mass

### **FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C)** **(World Day of Prayer for Vocations)**

<b>SAT 10 MAY</b>	<b>St H 5.30pm</b>	The People of the Parish
<b>SUN 11 MAY</b>	<b>St H 8.45am</b>	Caraid Hill former Parish Admin (Lillie & Marvin)
	<b>St M 10.30am</b>	The People of the Parish

**Prayer List:** Please pray for all our parishioners and friends who are sick and need the benefit of our love and prayers: Alan Chapman, Maureen Hamilton, Lucy Gay, Sue Potter, Philip Denton, Ivy Denton, Douglas Jordan, John Varellas, Bruno Vassallo, Fr. Emile Nkumu, William Readman, Richard Denton, Theresa Aikin, Cathy Love.  
Please also pray for those whose Anniversaries occur at this time.