

# St John the Evangelist RC Church

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### 12th May 2024 - Sixth Sunday of Easter

After much thought and some consultation, I have decided not to continue celebrating Mass on Saturday Mornings as attendance is very low. This will simply bring us in line with most other parishes. As priests, we are not required to celebrate more than one Mass per day, and Mass is available on Saturday Evening. This means that in future, confessions will be available on Saturday Evening from 5.30pm until 6.00pm, but please do not leave it until the last minute. Confessions are also available after Mass on Wednesday and Friday, and on request.

As part of Christian Aid Week, there will be a coffee morning plus bring and buy sale combined with the knit and natter group on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> May in the parish hall from 10.00am 'til 12.00pm. Donations of goods for the bring and buy and any support you can give will be much appreciated.

Next Sunday, 19<sup>th</sup> May, Bridgnorth Baptist Church have organised a Praise Picnic in the Castle Gardens beginning at 12.30pm. Bring your own food. Hymn sheets will be provided.

Very sorry to say that our parish visit to the National Arboretum on 21<sup>st</sup> May has now been CANCELLED. This is because the community bus cannot provide a driver.

On Friday 24<sup>th</sup> May, I shall be joining Bishop Mark and other jubilarians for Mass at Shrewsbury Cathedral at 12.15pm. Parishioners are welcome to attend.

#### **Mass Times This Week**

Sat 6.30pm Parishioners

Sun 9.00am Special Intention

11.00am Constantine Fanourakis

Mon 9.30am Priests Intention

Tue No Mass

Wed 12.00pm Priests Intention

Thurs 9.30am Priests Intention

Fri 12.00pm Priests Intention

Sat 5.30pm – 6.00pm Confessions

Sat 6.30pm Edna Amoroso-Parayag

Sun 9.00am Rob Haddon

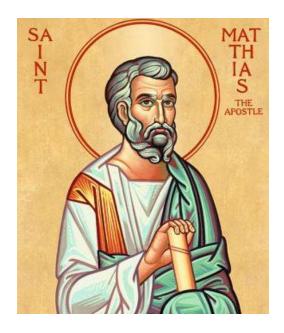
11.00am Denise, Ron & Dolly Jordan

In May, Pope Francis asks us to keep in mind the following prayer intention: We pray that religious women and men, and seminarians, grow in their vocations through their human, pastoral, spiritual and community formation, leading them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

Copies of the Universe Catholic Weekly are now on sale at the back of church. The cover price is £3.50, but since we do not need to make a profit, I am happy to sell them for just £3.

Mass will be celebrated at Priory Hall, Much Wenlock on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June at 3.00pm with refreshments to follow. You are all welcome to join us.

Bridgnorth Food Bank would be grateful for donations of pasta sauce, biscuits, squash, cereals, shampoo, dog and cat food, washing up liquid, egg boxes. Please be aware that the food bank cannot accept items that contain alcohol. If you have items to donate, collection may be arranged if you contact John Gilbert. Alternatively, you may choose to make a cash donation. Your support is much appreciated.



#### Saint Matthias

## Feast day 14<sup>th</sup> May

O God, who assigned Saint Matthias a place in the college of Apostles, grant us, through his intercession, that, rejoicing at how your loved has been allotted to us, we may merit to be numbered among the elect. Through our Lord Jesus Christ your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. Amen.

Finally..... I saw a safety video about gas leaks that said you should never turn the light on. That's why I always keep a candle for emergencies.

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