

Parish Centre Cleaning week commencing 2nd June

Erin Dunlop

Church Cleaning this week

Diana Alderman & Frances Pinkerton

Last Sundays Collection

Envelopes: £322.61 Loose: £268.17 Standing Orders: £420

Money Counting Team 5 this week

Eucharistic Ministers for 2nd June 2019

<i>Saturday</i>	<i>6.30 pm</i>	Kate Corcoran Snowden David Timson	Gill Langan Joanne Griffin
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>	Jean McAleer Sue Lewis	Diana Alderman Ron King
	<i>10.30 am</i>	Geraldine Cullen Carolyn Balfour	Carmel Chapman Maria O'Brien

Readers Rota for 2nd June 2019

<i>Saturday</i>	<i>6.30 pm</i>	Emma Faulkner
<i>Sunday</i>	<i>8.30 am</i>	Mary Hallett
	<i>10.30 am</i>	John Davis Margaret Davis

Newsletter Items

Items for inclusion in our parish *Newsletter* need to be at the Parish Office in writing or e-mail by 9.00 am Wednesday with your name and Phone No. Thank you.

Registration forms for all parishioners If you have recently moved to our parish then please obtain a form, from the parish office. If you live & worship in our parish it is essential to be registered if you wish us to be able to support you in your pastoral needs.

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26th May 2019 - Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year C

Giving Birth to Love

“See, I make all things new,” says the One who sat on the throne. The second reading is about a vision of a new earth, a new Jerusalem, in which “there shall be no more death or mourning, crying out or pain, for the former world has passed away.”

The new Jerusalem will be made up of people who love one another. People will not watch in this holy city as their brothers and sisters languish in poverty and hunger, nor will they attack each other in various forms of inhumane treatment, torture, and war. The key to this new world will be love: “This is how all will know you for my disciples: your love for one another.”

The road to this new Jerusalem will not be an easy one: “We must undergo many trials if we are to enter into the reign of God.” We enter the road with faith that the risen Lord will “give us new purpose and bring us to a new life.”

The entire creation has been groaning till now in an act of giving birth, as it waits for the glory of the children of God to be revealed. Let Christians therefore be convinced that they will yet find the fruits of their own nature and effort cleansed of all impurities in the new earth which God is now preparing for them, and in which there will be the kingdom of justice and love, a kingdom which will be fully perfected when the Lord will come himself.

Synod of Bishops, Justice in the World, 1971:75

Gerald Darring

Readings for today - Mass Book page 274

- First Reading:** Acts 15:1 - 2, 22 - 29
- Psalm Response:** **Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.**
- Second Reading:** Apocalypse 21:10 - 14, 22 - 23
- Gospel Acclamation:** **Alleluia, alleluia!**
Jesus said, 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'
Alleluia!
- Gospel:** John 14:23 - 29

Times of Services this week

Saturday	25th	6.30 pm	Mass
Sunday	26th	8.30 am	Mass
		10.30 am	Mass
Monday	27th	8.00 am	Mass at Carmelite Monastery
Tuesday	28th	8.00 am	Mass at Carmelite Monastery
Wednesday	29th	8.00 am	Mass at Carmelite Monastery
Thursday	30th	10.00 am	Mass here in Church
		7.30 pm	Mass here in Church
			The Ascension of the Lord
Friday	31st	No Mass today (Church closed on Fridays)	
		8.00 am	Mass at Carmelite Monastery
Saturday	1st June	6.30 pm	First Mass of Sunday
Sunday	2nd	8.30 am	Mass
		10.30 am	Mass - Baptism: Jacob Edwards

Other Events

Priest Training Fund thank you for your generosity to the collection last weekend, which raised £657.75p. It is not too late to make a donation if you wish; just pop an envelope through the presbytery letterbox marked Priest Training Fund. Please continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

Parent and Toddler Group there is no group this coming Tuesday as it is half term. It will restart on **Tuesday 4th June** from 10.00am-11.30am in the parish hall.

Ascension Thursday this feast is Thursday of this week and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be at 10 am and 7.30pm.

First Communion - Thanksgiving visit to Ware Carmel Monastery The children who made their First Communion together with their families will have a special service of Thanksgiving at Ware Carmel Monastery on **Sunday 23rd June** at 3.00 pm. The Carmelite Sisters look forward to welcoming our children & will provide an afternoon tea. At this service the children will be presented with their First Communion Certificates. There will also be an opportunity for the children to see and speak to the Sisters in their Parlour as they are enclosed in this Convent. This will be an unusual and lovely experience for the children, and parents too! **Would the children who have not collected their completed FHC workbooks please collect them from the sacristy, thank you.**

Parish Meeting looking ahead to the summer, autumn and beyond, what do you want to see happening in our parish? You are invited to bring your ideas on social, fundraising and parish development activities to a parish meeting on **Wednesday 5th June at 7.30pm** in the parish hall. It will be an opportunity to build on all that already happens in the parish. Light refreshments will be available. All welcome.

First Communions 2020 if your child will be in Year 3 or above from September 2019, you will already need to start thinking about their First Holy Communion, and how you are to accompany them on their 'Journey of Faith'. To help you as Catholic parents in your preparation you are invited to come along to three sessions of **Sycamore**. Sycamore combines video presentation, discussion & light refreshments to give you an opportunity to explore your Faith which you are

passing onto your children, and help them in their preparations for First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion. The dates for Sycamore are Thursdays 20th June, 27th June and 4th July at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall. To register for Sycamore please contact the parish office by e-mail Ware@rcdow.org.uk or on 01920 462140.

Catechists needed in order for our Parish Catechetical programmes to function well and properly we need a team of Parish Catechists. Is this a service you feel you can offer our Parish community? Training can be provided. If you would like to know more, please speak to Deacon Adrian or Fr. Charles.

Thy Kingdom Come: 30th May – 9th June 2019 Pope Francis encourages us all to pray, "that the Holy Spirit might enlarge and widen our hearts". Pledge to be part of this global movement to 'light up the world' with prayer at www.thykingdomcome.global & find ideas, resources & for ways to pray, as an individual, family and parish. Join with Bishop Paul & Churches Together in Herts and Beds for the Launch of Thy Kingdom Come 2019 at the Coptic Cathedral in Stevenage at 7.30 pm on 30th May & at the Beacon Event at St Albans Cathedral on Sunday 9th June at 6.30 pm. All are welcome.. Leaflets at the back of the Church.

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"Eat, Pray Love" is an ecumenical get together to help us get to know each of the different Christian Churches in Ware. To be held at Christ Church, **Monday 3rd June** at 7.30pm with a bring & share supper. All welcome, so that we know numbers, please sign up on the list at the back of the church indicating what dish you could bring.

Diocesan Pilgrimage to Walsingham on 21st September led by Cardinal Vincent Nichols, if you are interested in going, please contact the parish office for more details.

Leaside Kindergarten are recruiting for a key person & support worker for their friendly & highly recommended nursery. For more info., please ring Carmel Chapman 01920 485502