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**Saturday 27th 6.00pm. Vigil Mass 5th Sunday in Easter Time**  
**Sunday 28th 9.30am. Sunday Mass**

Tuesday 30th 6.30pm **Evening Mass** Mass St. Pius V pope

Wednesday 1st May 10.00am Mass **St. Joseph the Worker**

Thursday 2nd 5.45pm Exposition and Benediction  
6.30pm Mass St. Athanasius. Bp D

Friday 3rd 10.00am Mass. **Ss. Philip and James.** Apostles  
12.30pm Wedding Service  
for Elizabeth Robinson and Joshua Southern

Saturday 4th 11.00-11.30 Confessions during Exposition  
**The English Martyrs**

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Key:	Ap.	Apostle
	Ab	Abbott
	Bp	Bishop
	D	Doctor
	M	Martyr
	P	Priest
	R	Religious
	V	Virgin

**The Mission Possible Team** are visiting us this weekend to make an appeal to aid their forthcoming trip to Kenya.

Mission Possible are a team of educators from local primary and secondary schools in East Lancashire that travel out to Kenya annually to work alongside the Salesian Sisters based there.

The team take out resources to help enhance the teaching and learning given to the children and improve the educational experience for those children who would not otherwise have access to formal education.

We will, of course, make them welcome and give our customary support to their generous work.

Once again we are delighted to offer the use of the church and hall to pupils of **St. John Fisher and St. Thomas More High School** for a Retreat Day on Tuesday. This means that we will again have an evening Mass for the parish on that day. The Retreat Day will be given by a team from the Spiritans Community in Manchester (previously known as the Holy Ghost Fathers).



## Pastoral Care of the Sick and the Housebound.

This is just a brief reminder, following up from my longer message in last week's newsletter, that we would be very grateful if you would give us names of people who would appreciate a visit on behalf of the parish. In particular we want to hear from, or receive the names of, parishioners of this parish who would dearly love to come to Mass but are unable and would appreciate receiving Holy Communion where they live.



God bless and thank you for your help in this.  
Fr. Peter

### Mass to mark the Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Abuse

Tuesday 30th April is the Day of Prayer for Survivors and Victims of Abuse. Celebrated each year on the Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter, it is a day on which the Catholic Church in England and Wales holds in particular prayer all who have been abused, in whatever way, by another, whether within the Church or any other setting. It is a day not only to recommit ourselves as Church to learn from past mistakes and make the Church a safe setting for all but also a day to reflect on the Church's ministry of healing and welcome to Survivors/Victims.

At 6pm on Tuesday 30th April Bishop John will celebrate Mass to mark this Day at St. Patrick's, Livesey Street. Collyhurst. All are warmly invited to join the bishop.

### Easter Flowers

Many thanks to those of you who contributed in any way to the flowers and Easter Garden. We plan to take the garden away after the 10.00am Mass on **Wednesday 1st of May**. (approximately 10.30am)

If you would like any plants back please come along and collect. Any unclaimed plants will be left in the porch up to and including the next weekend only.

The 'Flower team' would also appreciate your help in dismantling the garden and especially with moving the empty garden into the cellar.

### Reader Rota for May and June

A new rota for readers is on the website and the sacristy notice board. Please arrange someone to cover if you cannot complete your allocated date.

### Friendship and Bereavement group

The Friendship and Bereavement Group will meet in the presbytery on Wednesday 1st of May after Mass (approximately 10.30).

### CAFOD Sudan Crisis Appeal

In light of the war in Sudan which has forced millions out of their homes, with many people running out of food, water and medicines, CAFOD is appealing to parishes to hold collections for Sudan at Masses this coming Sunday, 28 April, and to pray for the people of Sudan as part of their emergency appeal. More information can be found [here](#). Because of our appeal for Mission Possible this weekend, we will collect for the Cafod Sudan Crisis Appeal the following weekend: 4th and 5th May.