



# PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY

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*Parish Church:* OUR LADY AND SAINT BENEDICT CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Mass Centre:* CHRIST CHURCH (U.R.C.) WESTGATE BAY AVENUE, WESTGATE

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## WEEKLY DIARY Sunday 7th May 2017 FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

**Saturday 6th May (Evening)**

*Confessions 5.15 pm to 5.45 pm*

**Vigil Mass**

**6 pm BIRCHINGTON**

WHITE

Cecil & Madge Skeete, RIP

Monica Mouldsdale

**Sunday 7th May**

**4th Sunday of Easter**

**9.15 am BIRCHINGTON**

Joan Marshall, RIP

McCarthy Family

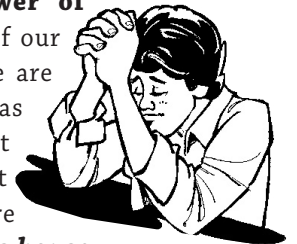
**10.45 am WESTGATE MASS CENTRE**

People of the Parish



### **SILENCE:** A recent publication by a Cardinal responsible for Worship and the Sacraments.

The title of the book is "**THE POWER OF SILENCE**" and beneath the main title is a sub-title, "**Against the Dictatorships of Noise**" There is a tyranny of noise in the Parish of the Holy Family which is destroying the **Power of Silence**. On entering the main body of our church we should be aware that there are people who wish to pray before Mass as preparation and in thanks for the great gift of the Holy Eucharist. So, let us get rid of the **Tyranny of Noise** and restore silent prayer, Jesus said: "**my Father's house is a house of prayer**" Not a tower of Babel. (Also, after Mass leave quietly to combat the 'dictatorship of noise').



*Canon David*

SEASON OF EASTER

Psalter week 4

**Monday 8th May (White) Our Lady of the Sacred Heart**

**10 am** For the Holy Souls in Purgatory

Steve Mathews

**Tuesday 9th May (White)**

Feria

**10 am** Joan Clancey, RIP

McCarthy Family

**Wednesday 10th May (White)**

Feria

**10 am** Sean O'Connell (Anniversary), RIP

Egan Family

**Thursday 11th May (White)**

Feria

**NO MASS TODAY**

**Friday 12th May (White)**

Feria

**9.30 am EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**10 am** Kevin O'Connors, RIP

Ann & David Shufflebotham

**Saturday 13th May (White)**

**Our Lady of Fátima**

*Today we celebrate the 100th Anniversary of the first apparition of Our Lady to three young children, Lucia de Jesus Santos and her first cousins, Francisco and Jacinta Marto, in Fátima, Portugal which started on 13th May, 1917.*

**9.45 am** MORNING PRAYER OF THE CHURCH

**10 am** The Well-being of Margaret Carter

A. Friend

**World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life:** there will be a **RETIRING COLLECTION** for Ecclesiastical Education at all Masses this weekend.



**BIRCHGATE Ladies**

The next Meeting is on **Wednesday 10th May** at 2 pm in the Parish Hall at Birchington.

### MASS FOR THE SICK

**Next Sunday 14th May**

in the Parish Church Birchington at 3 pm.

*Followed by a Reception in the Hall.*



**200 CLUB MAY DRAW AND COFFEE MORNING:** next **Sunday 14th May** in the Parish Hall at Birchington following the 9.15 am Mass.

**CAFOD** Chris Wiltshire will be holding a **COFFEE MORNING** in aid of CAFOD EAST AFRICA APPEAL at home on **Tuesday 23rd May** from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. **Please ring 01843 834977 for details of her address.** All welcome.

**MARGARET CARTER** would like to thank everyone for their support during Peter's illness. I would also like to thank you for all the lovely Masses and cards. Our family were overwhelmed by the prayers and kind thoughts expressed.

*God Bless you all from Margaret and the Family.*



Keeping our place of worship fit to be called "God's House" does require helpers to clean the church: vacuuming, dusting, etc. **If you can spare about 1 hour a month to join our Cleaning Rota see Tony London or contact the Parish Office.**



### Collection: 28th / 30th April 2017

Easter Offerings	Gift Aid	Loose Plate	TOTAL
.....	£302.00	.....	£342.22
Cathedral Maintenance.....			£121.37

*Thank you for your generosity*