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Parish Priest: Fr Michael Sellers.

Local Catholic schools:

Primary school- St Mary and St Joseph, Maxwell Road Pocklington, tel 01759 303287.

Secondary school- All Saints, Mill Mount York, tel 01904 647877.

Hospitals: If you go into hospital and would like the priest to visit here are some useful numbers; York hospitals 01904 624767, Hull Royal Infirmary 01482 329100 and Castle Hill 01482 847763. In case of emergencies ask the ward to page the Catholic chaplain.

6<sup>th</sup> May 2018.

Holy Mass.

Day	Time	Intention	Feast
Saturday	7.00pm	Graham Fordyke RIP	
Sunday	9.30am	Zita Brennan anniversary	6th Sunday of Easter
Monday	9.30am		St John of Beverley
Tuesday	9.30am		
Wednesday	6.30pm		
Thursday	9.30am	Joseph Foxcroft RIP	Ascension of the Lord
Friday	6.30pm		

Confessions this week: Saturday 6.15-6.45pm.

NB Thursday is the Feast of the Ascension, it is a Holyday of Obligation.

Masses available are a vigil Mass at 6.30pm on Wednesday and 9.30am Thursday when we will be joined by the school children.

Congratulations to the children who received their First Holy Communion this weekend and to their families and thanks to the parish catechists Trisha Walker and Sarah Wright for teaching them over the last year, to their prayer partners and to all who helped in the celebration of the Mass.

Please pray for all the sick and housebound of the parish

Recently deceased: Graham Fordyke, David Brough Angela Ogden,

Maureen Scaife, Marion Field, Paul Laverack, may they rest in peace.

Phil and Russ Baines are both cycling the 120 mile first stage Tour de France in June. They are raising funds for Prostate Cancer UK. If anyone would like to offer sponsorship they would appreciate your help and will be around after Sunday Masses.

A prayer for faith, life and peace in the British Isles:

Lord, throughout the centuries you have blessed these Isles in the power of the Holy Spirit, and in the lives of your Saints. Bless Lord once more our land through the Immaculate heart of our Mother Mary, and through her powerful and maternal prayers, enfold the peoples of these Isles under her protection. Renew your people in confidence, in trust, and fill this land once more with your Spirit. Renew our lands, renew your Church, renew our faith. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen.

Here are some upcoming pilgrimages which may be of interest:

25<sup>th</sup> May- 1<sup>st</sup> June 2018 Diocesan Pilgrimage to Lourdes, details on the posters.

13-20<sup>th</sup> July Ampleforth pilgrimage to Lourdes

Mount Grace is the diocesan shrine of Our Lady which is good for a day trip.

Also Walsingham is the National shrine of Our Lady and has a number of events throughout the year. The Catholic shrine is promoting a rededication of England to Our Lady; [www.dowrytour.org.uk](http://www.dowrytour.org.uk) gives lots of history and facts about the special place Mary has had in the hearts of English Catholics. Information about a visit or retreat can be found here: [www.walsingham.org.uk](http://www.walsingham.org.uk)

Future events:

6<sup>th</sup> May Crowning of Our Lady in the parish

12<sup>th</sup> May Scripture Festival at All Saints school Nunnery lane, leaflets available..

10<sup>th</sup> May- Ascension of the Lord, Holy Day of obligation.

20<sup>th</sup> May Feast of Pentecost

21<sup>st</sup> May New Memorial of Mary, Mother of the Church celebrated

24<sup>th</sup> May New Feast of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Eternal High Priest celebrated. These two celebrations have recently been designated by Rome to be kept in all churches of the Latin Rite in England and Wales.

13-15<sup>th</sup> December-Statue of Our Lady of Walsingham comes to Middlesbrough Cathedral as part of the preparation for the rededication of England to the Dowry of Mary in March 2020. This is a major initiative from the bishops, along with the Eucharistic Congress in Liverpool this year, for evangelizing the country as well as encouraging all of us in our love for Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament and Our Lady. Please keep the success of these ventures in your prayers.

SVP teas in the hall Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> May 2-4pm, all welcome.

100 club April winners: 10, H Morrissey (£25) & 140, G&L Turley (£15)

Weekend collection £441.54 thank you.

With good wishes Fr Michael Sellers.