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Dear Friends

Fr Nick Fisher will lead our Eucharist on Sunday at 10.30. Thursday 9th May is Ascension Day, and a Eucharist will also be held at 12.00 that day.

One of our major fundraisers, our Book Fair, takes place on Saturday from 10.00 to 17.00. Please spread the word and support the event if you can.

Sunday is "Mothers' Day", a celebration of motherhood established in the United States in 1908. The day is distinct from Mothering Sunday, the 4th Sunday in Lent, which celebrates the mother church – the church where each of us was baptised - rather than mothers per se. Traditionally on Mothers' Day, mothers receive carnations (and chocolates?).

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Julian of Norwich

Julian of Norwich was an anchoress – a woman who dedicated her life to God by being voluntarily confined to a small cell attached to St Julian's Church, Norwich.

In 1373, so seriously ill she received the last rites, she experienced a series of visions, or shewings, of the Passion of our Lord and recovered. Subsequently, she entered her cell, a bricked up small room attached to the church, where she lived in seclusion until her death around 1416.

The ceremony for becoming an anchoress was elaborate. Presided over by the Bishop, the rites included psalms from the Office of the Dead, as though the event was her premature funeral.



Julian of Norwich' cell

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Her writings, including Revelations of Divine Love, are amongst the earliest known English writings by a female author, at the same time as Margery Kempe.

Her feast day is Wednesday 8 May.

Thy Kingdom Come



Thy Kingdom Come is a global ecumenical prayer movement that invites Christians around the world to pray daily, from Ascension to Pentecost, for more people to come to know Jesus.

Every person, household and church are encouraged to pray during the 11 days in their own way. Specifically, every Christian across the globe is invited to pray that God's Spirit might work in the lives of 5 people who have not responded with their 'Yes' to God's call.

"In praying 'Thy Kingdom Come' we all commit to playing our part in the renewal of the nations and the transformation of communities." Archbishop Justin Welby.

Pastoral care

For pastoral care during the coming week, please telephone (0039) 345 5835978 (Church mobile), (0039) 026 552258 (Priest's apartment), or email allsaintsmilanpriest@gmail.com

Links to our regular activities

Sunday evening prayer at 18.00 is [here](#). **Morning prayer**, at 9.00 Monday to Friday, is [here](#).

Bible study in person on Thursdays is led by Massimo at 12:30 for a start at 13.00.

Bible study by Zoom is on Tuesday at 18.00, hosted by Fr Robert using the link found [here](#).

All are welcome to both events.

The **Jolly Club** meets on Tuesday from 12.30 onward, in the church rooms.

Safeguarding

If you have any concerns regarding the safety and wellbeing of anyone within the All Saints' community, then please contact our safeguarding officer, [Catherine Bell](#), or use our Safeguarding Policy found [here](#).