



The Fireside

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[Fifth Sunday of Easter \(B\)](#)

Friday 30th April (**First Mass of Sunday**)

Mass 6.00pm –

Saturday 1st May

Vigil Mass 4.00pm -

Pro Populo

Sunday 2nd May

Mass 11.30am –

People of India

[Sixth Sunday of Easter \(B\)](#)

Friday 7th May (**First Mass of Sunday**)

Mass 6.00pm –

Saturday 8th May

Vigil Mass 4.00pm -

Pro Populo

Sunday 9th May

Mass 11.30am –

[YSTRADGYNLAIS PARISH](#) [MARIAN SHRINE](#)

The new Shrine in honour of Our Blessed Lady, Mary, Mother of the Saviour is now complete.

A statue of Our Lady will be placed in the Shrine after the 11.30am Mass on [Sunday 9th May](#).

A more formal dedication and blessing of the Shrine will take place when Covid regulations permit.

Our grateful thanks to Binoji and Gigi, together with their helpers, for this wonderful Shrine in honour of Our Blessed Lady.

Our wish is that this Shrine will become a focal point for prayer not only by our parishioners but for the wider community.

**HOLY MARY MOTHER OF GOD
PRAY FOR US.**

Offertory Collection - £325.00p.

This includes Standing Orders.

[Thank you for your continued support of your parish.](#)

REFLECTION – MAY – MONTH OF MARY

May is normally part of the Easter season, the period of fifty days which lasts from Easter to Pentecost.

During this time we celebrate the Lord's Resurrection from the dead, a celebration which culminates with his Ascension to the Father and the sending of the Holy Spirit to the Church on Pentecost.

It is a fitting time to dedicate to the Blessed Virgin Mary, to recall her intense joy over her Son's Resurrection and the comfort and guidance she gave to the Apostles during this difficult period.

During the Easter season, Mary's presence in the beginnings of the Church is emphasised.

She was present in the first community of disciples.

In [Acts 1:14](#), she was present with the Apostles in the upper room as they prayerfully waited for the descent of the Holy Spirit.

As Pope St. John Paul II stated in [Redemptoris Mater](#),

"Mary was in the Upper Room, where the Apostles were preparing to take up this mission with the coming of the Spirit of Truth: she was present with them. In their midst Mary was "devoted to prayer" as the "mother of Jesus" (cf. Acts 1:13-14), of the Crucified and Risen Christ."

Her maternal presence was humble and discreet but fundamental.

Among them, she acted as a guide, an exceptional witness of the mystery of Christ, a role she had since His conception and birth, as well as a model of true faith.

Emeritus Pope Benedict XVI vividly described Mary's maternal presence among the disciples after Jesus' Resurrection. [He stated:](#)

"In the days that followed the Lord's resurrection, the Apostles stayed together, comforted by Mary's presence, and after the ascension, they persevered with her in prayerful expectation of Pentecost.

Our Lady was a mother and teacher to them, a role that she continues to play for Christians of all times..."

Holy Mary, Mother of God....Pray for Us.

