



**Prayer for Peace:** At this time of heightened international tension, the Bishops of England and Wales ask the clergy and people to pray daily for peace in the world and for a greater collaboration between all nations. We recommend that, in the coming months, the following Prayer be used at Mass:

Let us pray, through the intercession of Mary Queen of Peace, for peace on earth and an end to violence and terrorism in our world, for a new spirit of trust and collaboration between nations, for the gift of wisdom for our politicians and leaders, and especially for the resolution of long-standing conflicts in Syria, Gaza and Ukraine, and in other countries around the world.

This we ask through Jesus Christ our Lord, Amen

The Pope also takes inspiration from a Franciscan Prayer for World Communications Day so we might turn to the Truth in person:  
Lord, make us instruments of your peace.

Help us to recognize the evil latent in a communication that does not build communion.

Help us to remove the venom from our judgements.

Help us to speak about others as our brothers and sisters.

You are faithful and trustworthy; may our words be seeds of goodness for the world:

Where there is shouting, let us practise listening;

Where there is confusion, let us inspire harmony;

Where there is ambiguity, let us bring clarity;

Where there is exclusion, let us offer solidarity;

Where there is sensationalism, let us use sobriety;

Where there is superficiality, let us raise real questions;

Where there is prejudice, let us awaken trust;

Where there is hostility, let us bring respect;

Where there is falsehood, let us bring truth.

Amen.

The latest news from Our Lady of Walsingham, giving dates of Pilgrimages and events is now in the Porch Folder.

Prayer of the Month: May: from the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network:  
[www.popesprayer.net](http://www.popesprayer.net)

O Lord, our God, You called Your people to be Your Church. As they gather together in Your Name, may they love, honor, and follow

Your Son to eternal life in the Kingdom He promised. Let their worship always be sincere, and help them to find Your saving Love in the Church and its Sacraments. Fill with the Spirit of Christ those whom You call to live in the midst of the world and its concern. Help them by their work on earth to build up Your eternal Kingdom. May they be effective witnesses to the Truth of the Gospel and make Your Church a living presence in the midst of the world. Increase the gifts You have given Your Church that Your faithful people may continue to grow in holiness and in imitation of Your Beloved Son. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

Following on from Alpha, a group of us have met together informally to discuss matters of faith, pray and try to bring meaning to the Gospel in our daily lives. Our next monthly meeting will be on Friday 25<sup>th</sup> May @ 5pm in The Hazel Room. Everybody welcome to join....

### **Bromley Well....** **Supporting health,** **wellbeing and** **independence:** Bromley

**Well** provides a variety of services which help support local people to stay both emotionally and physically well, avoid or delay the use of health and social care services and remain independent. **Bromley Well** offers support for adult carers, young carers, older residents, people with long term health conditions, people with learning difficulties, people with physical disabilities, people who need support with their mental wellbeing and helps break down the barriers to employment, education and volunteering. Contact us via the **Bromley Well Single Point of Access (SPA)** on **0300 3309 039** or [spa@bromleywell.org.uk](mailto:spa@bromleywell.org.uk)...See porch folder for more information

Also... **Connecting**

**Bromley...** A Register of helplines connecting individuals, neighbourhoods and communities across Bromley to improve the lives of the borough's residents by empowering them, improving their wellbeing and helping them feel

more involved in their local area.  
[www.bromley.mylifeportal.co.uk/connectingbromley](http://www.bromley.mylifeportal.co.uk/connectingbromley)

The Haig Club... Renewals and New Members: This is a valuable source of income for our church. In the beginning there were 120 members and the club was able to give the church £1000 a year. Unfortunately the numbers have dwindled over the years so that it is now only possible to give the church £500 per year.

Monthly prizes:

1st £20

2nd £15

3rd £5... with a larger prize at Christmas. Please consider joining this club and supporting your church.

Flavio of the Knights of St Columba successfully completed his 25mile bike challenge and thanks his sponsors for donating to Father Alex's Well Appeal. It's not too late to sponsor Flavio... form in Porch!!!

### **"The Road to Emmaus and**

**Beyond."** Fr Denis McBride CSSR, who has been described in the Tablet as a "superb raconteur and thought provoking scripture scholar" will be speaking about his new book "The Road to Emmaus and beyond," at St. Anthony of Padua, Anerley, on Thursday 17th May at 7.30pm. A warm welcome is extended to members of the Deanery and their congregations to join us to hear someone whose "lectures and writing are designed to appeal to the heart as much as the head" (The Tablet)

### **AN INTERNATIONAL EXHIBITION:**

The Eucharistic Miracles of the World. This is taking place in May at St. Anselm's Dartford, DA1 2HJ. One can enter the Church during the day to pray and see the exhibition. There are also events during the month to promote devotion and love of the Eucharist. For more details contact Fr. Stephen Boyle Tel: 01322 220075, email:stanselm01@googlemail.com or see the website: [www.stanselmsdartford.wordpress.com](http://www.stanselmsdartford.wordpress.com). Also see the website: <http://www.miracolieucaaristici.org/>

**World Communications Day: The Work of the Communications Office of the Bishops' Conference,** providing a professional news service to the Church and to the World.

- Award-winning audio and podcasts can be found on SoundCloud and audioBoom.
- Developed and built a new digital initiative called the Art of Dying Well – [www.artofdyingwell.org](http://www.artofdyingwell.org), aimed at helping terminally ill people and their loved ones deal with death.
- Free photos on Flickr highlighting the Church's work and witness – [www.flickr.com/catholicism](http://www.flickr.com/catholicism). Visit

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