

We will be entertained by Our School Brass band.

**Communion Rite : pg 56**

**Communion Hymns:**

**During Communion – As I kneel before you**

**After Communion: Lord Jesus Christ – (Hymn No 326)**

**Vote of Thanks : Mike Bryan**

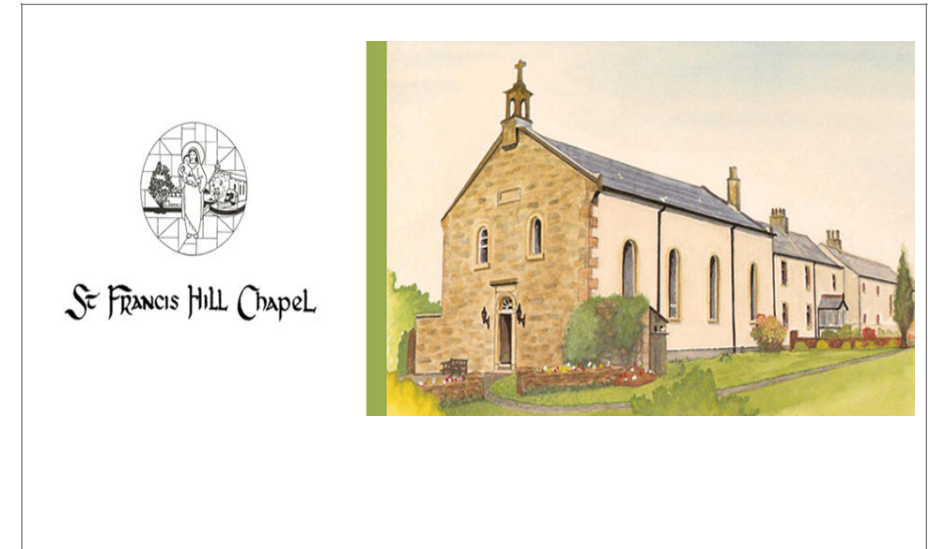
**Final Blessing: Bishop Paul**

**Recessional Hymn: O Lord, all the world belongs to you (No 403)**

**Thank You so much for coming to our Re-dedication Mass today.** The re-opening of St Francis, Hill Chapel is a major milestone in the long history of our parish and we are so pleased that so many people are here today to participate in this special occasion.

Refreshments are being served outside after mass – weather permitting.

Refreshments will be served in the School Hall if rain is looming.



**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May, 2025**

**Re-Dedication of St Francis,  
Hill Chapel Church  
By Bishop Paul Swarbrick.**

### **Parish Mission Statement**

*Our Parish, guided by the example of our patron St Francis of Assisi, seeks to be a welcoming Catholic Community by living, sharing and growing in faith. We strive to deepen our own relationship with Christ and meet the needs of others.*

## **Order of Service**

### **6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter –**

If the weather is fine we will assemble outside the church door until the Bishop Paul arrives and formally strikes the door with his crozier to gain admission to the church. We then follow the Bishop into the building for the rededication and mass.

If the weather is not suitable, we will wait inside church until the Bishop arrives.

### **Solemn Entrance**

**Entrance Hymn** – Christ is Our King (Hymn no 84)

**Welcome** – Fr Sony Joseph

**Re-dedication Prayer:** Let us pray

Heavenly Father, we beseech You to look down upon your children gathered here, and to pour your blessing and your strength into this Church, which we present to You as an offering for service. Purify the material structure, create

within it vibrations of tender and spiritual worth, and fill it with your holy power. We dedicate ourselves as temples of the Holy Spirit, and pray that we may co-operate in effort and in harmony for the upliftment of humanity. O God, our Father, let Thy Divine Spirit dwell not only in this place made by men's hands but in our souls; so that all who come within these doors may recognize that this is your House, and go forth blessed and ready to pass on the blessing to others through Christ Our Lord. Amen.

**The Asperges Hymn** – sang during the sprinkling of holy water–  
**Verses sang by Louise**

1. All you who thirst, come to the waters,  
and you will never be thirsty again.  
**Response** - Water of life, cleanse and refresh us.  
Raise us to life in Christ Jesus.
2. As rain from heav'n so is God's word.  
It waters the earth and brings forth life.
3. Dying with Christ, so we shall rise with him,  
death shall no longer have power over us.

**GLORIA** (Sung)

Gloria gloria in excelsis deo, Gloria gloria in excelsis deo.  
Lord God heavenly King Peace You bring to us  
We worship You, We give You thanks, We sing our song of praise  
Gloria gloria in excelsis deo, Gloria gloria in excelsis deo

**Liturgy of the word - Pg 268 -Parish Mass Book**

**Sung Alleluia**

**Gospel: John 14, 23-29 - Pg 269-Parish Mass Book**

**Homily By Bishop Paul**

**Bidding Prayers**

**Offertory Hymn – In bread we bring you Lord –(Hymn No 243)**