

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

**Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.**

Cf. Ps 65:1-2

THE COLLECT

May your people exult for ever, O God, in renewed youthfulness of spirit, so that, rejoicing now in the restored glory of our adoption, we may look forward in confident hope to the rejoicing of the day of resurrection. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15. 17-19

Peter said to the people: 'You are Israelites, and it is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, the God of our ancestors, who has glorified his servant Jesus, the same Jesus you handed over and then disowned in the presence of Pilate, after Pilate had decided to release him. It was you who accused the Holy One, the Just One, you who demanded the reprieve of a murderer while you killed the prince of life. God, however, raised him from the dead, and to that fact we are the witnesses.

'Now I know, brothers, that neither you nor your leaders had any idea what you were really doing; this was the way God carried out what he had foretold, when he said through all his prophets that his Christ would suffer. Now you must repent and turn to God, so that your sins may be wiped out.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**PSALM**

Ps 4:2. 4.7.9. R.v7

R) Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord.

When I call, answer me, O God of justice;
from anguish you released me, have
mercy and hear me! **(R)**

It is the Lord who grants favours to those whom he loves;
the Lord hears me whenever I call him. **(R)**

'What can bring us happiness?' many say.
Lift up the light of your face on us, O Lord. **(R)**

I will lie down in peace and sleep comes at once,
for you alone, Lord, make me dwell in safety. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John

2:1-5

I am writing this, my children,
to stop you sinning;
but if anyone should sin,
we have our advocate with the Father,
Jesus Christ, who is just;
he is the sacrifice that takes our sins away,
and not only ours,
but the whole world's.
We can be sure that we know God
only by keeping his commandments.
Anyone who says, 'I know him',
and does not keep his commandments,
is a liar,
refusing to admit the truth.

But when anyone does obey what he has said,
God's love comes to perfection in him.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION****Alleluia, alleluia!**

Cf. Lk 24:32

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.**Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.****Alleluia!****GOSPEL**

Luke 24:35-48

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

Glory to you, O Lord.

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS**

Receive, O Lord, we pray,
these offerings of your exultant Church,
and, as you have given her cause for such great gladness,
grant also that the gifts we bring
may bear fruit in perpetual happiness.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Lk 24:46-47

**The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead;
in his name repentance and remission of sins
must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look with kindness upon your people, O Lord,
and grant, we pray,
that those you were pleased to renew by eternal mysteries
may attain in their flesh
the incorruptible glory of the resurrection.
Through Christ our Lord.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



"He then opened their minds to understand the Scriptures." These men and women of the Gospel are the people of the Scriptures. The Scriptures are the history of their own ancestors and in a sense of their own lives, which have, on the human level at least, been formed

by the Scriptures. But their history – and in fact all history, but theirs in particular – has not just a human level: God is at work! The Scriptures themselves make that clear. They show that God has chosen Abraham's family and descendants for a particular purpose, making them 'his people'. He is also at work among all the nations. Whether the nations recognize it or not, they all serve God's final and loving purpose. *"Yahweh is the true God ... there is no other!"* Psalm 17 exclaims. *"Praise Yahweh all you nations, extol him all you peoples, for his faithful love is strong and his constancy never*

ending". Recognition of this truth requires Faith. The disciples had Faith. Faith is something that grows – it is the 'seed' of the parables. Our Lord "opens the minds" of the disciples so that their Faith may grow. It had to grow and bear fruit and flourish – indeed it did, as we see in the Acts of the Apostles and we know that many of the disciples were martyred.



EVANGELII GAUDIUM (JOY OF THE GOSPEL)



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24 Cont'd. [Criminal networks] are skilled in using modern means of communication as a way of luring young men and women in various parts of the world". A perversion that exceeds all limits when it subjugates women and then forces them to abort. An abomination that goes to the length of kidnapping persons for the sake of selling their organs. Trafficking in persons and other contemporary forms of enslavement are a worldwide problem that needs to be taken seriously by humanity as a whole: "since criminal organizations employ global networks to achieve their goals, efforts to eliminate this phenomenon also demand a common and, indeed, a global effort on the part of various sectors of society".

The Still Waters of Beauty* THE SPRING AND THE LIGHT

From what spring shall you drink, and from where does the torrent of God's desire flow? 'For with you', he says, 'is the spring of life.' Who is the spring of life if not Christ? He came to you in the flesh, so that he could quench your great thirst; he will satisfy you if you hope, as he did when you were thirsty. 'For with you is the spring of life; in your light do we see light.'

Here on earth a spring is one thing and light another; but not so in heaven. The spring and the light are one, and you can call it whatever you want, since in itself it is not the words you use for it and you cannot find a suitable name for it. One name cannot contain it. If you say that it is light only, someone will tell you: then why have I been told to hunger and thirst, for who can eat light? It has been said to me clearly: 'Blessed are the pure in heart for they shall see God'. If it is light, then I must prepare my eyes. But prepare your lips too, because that which is light is also a spring: a spring because it satisfies the thirsty, light because it enlightens the blind. In this life light is sometimes in one place, and a spring in another. For sometimes springs flow in darkness and sometimes in a desert you will suffer from the sun without finding a spring.

On earth these two things can be separated, but in heaven you will not thirst, for there is a stream, nor will you wander in darkness, for there is light.

*Augustine of Hippo Edited by Oliver Davies Published by New City





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Dear Parishioners,

Today, is Third Sunday after Easter !!!!!.

This Sunday 18th of April, Pope Francis will be back at his window overlooking St. Peter's square after various closures due to the Covid 19, for the recitation of Regina Coeli.

Pope sent condolences to Queen for the loss of her husband Prince Philip who was a model husband devoted to his family, marriage, and public service. Cardinal Nichols said Mass for the repose of the soul of late Prince Philip and said "every family in grief needs comfort and consolation, and none more so than a grieving wife, our Queen. Let us remember her loving consort whose remains bids a final farewell her and to the nation this weekend on Saturday.
May his soul rest in peace.

"The Risen Lord appeared to His disciples, opened their minds to understand the scriptures....that the Messiah must suffer..."(Lk.24:46)

Many Jews expected that the Messiah would make them "Number one" among the nations of the world. They dreamed a messiah who would catapult them into a position of wealth and power. When Jesus said that He would wear a crown of thorns, not a crown of gold, they were disenchanted. They had closed their mind to those part of scripture that spoke of a suffering Messiah. This didn't fit their idea of what their Messiah should be like.

To what degree do I sometimes behave like many
of the Jews of Jesus' day?

What seems to be foolishness is wiser than human wisdom.....God purposely chose what the world considers nonsense in order to shame the wise. (1Cor1:25)

May God bless you all from His abundance. In the meantime, stay safe and be blessed!!!!

Fr Chacko

Please remember in your prayers...

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| Eileen Bendall | Tony Bateman | Margaret Simpson | Gareth Hughes | Marcia Russell |
| Lucy Rose | Miriam Miller | Sheila Perry | Chelsea Waring | Sheila Browning |
| Maria Heyes | Mary Carmody | Miriam Park | Mary Neito | Anne Flood |
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| Norman Warmington | Pauline Warburton | Veronica Williamson | Anna Browne | |
| The Martin Family | The Bailey Family | Mandy Russell & family | Margaret Place & Family | |
| Kathleen & Mike Carter | Elwyn & Awena Hughes | Jocelyne & Peter Cotrel | | |

Those who have died recently or whose anniversaries are at this time.... Patrick Doyle

Please let Madeleine know if you are ready to have your name removed or wish for a name to be added..



DAY	TIME AND CHURCH		
Sat 17	6pm MASS at St Bernadette	VIGIL OF 3 rd SUNDAY OF EASTER	For the list of Readers, Stewards, cleaners, Eucharistic Ministers, please see notices at the back of both churches
Sun 18	9.30am Christ the King LIVE STREAMED	3 rd SUNDAY OF EASTER	
Mon 19	6pm Adoration 6.30pm Mass at St B	Easter Weekday Mass Mass Int: Mike Cross RIP	
Tues 20	9.30am CTK	Easter Weekday Mass	
Wed 21	NO MASS	Easter Weekday Mass	
Thur 22	9.30am Mass at CTK	Easter Weekday Mass	
Fri 23	9.30am Mass at CTK	Easter Weekday Mass FEAST DAY of ST GEORGE- Patron of England	
Sat 24	6pm MASS at St Bernadette	VIGIL OF 3 rd SUNDAY OF EASTER	Mass Int: Tom Warburton RIP
Sun 25	9.30am Christ the King LIVE STREAMED	3 rd SUNDAY OF EASTER	

MASS ATTENDANCE

It is lovely to see many parishioners returning to Mass following lockdown, Please remember that **we do still** need to abide by COVID rules to keep the churches open.

This includes the numbers attending mass hence the **need to book** before.

Sunday morning mass is generally fully booked now and if you turn up without booking, you may be turned away, sadly if the maximum number is reached.

If you can attend another mass, then please do so.

Friday morning at Christ the King (CTK)

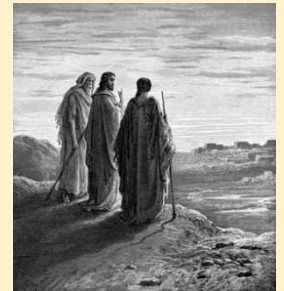
Saturday and Monday evenings at St Bernadette's (StB)

To book attendance, email; carmelbending1922@gmail.com (for CTK)
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LUKE 24:32

'Then they said to each other
'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road
and explained the scriptures to us?'

Does your heart burn within you when you read or hear scripture?
How visible is Christ to you in Scripture?



PLYMOUTH DIOCESAN YOUTH SERVICES

Pentecost; Drama, Dance and singing workshops.

21st & 28th April,
5th & 12th May
7.00pm – 8.15pm



Youth Events will be running another set via ZOOM on the theme of Pentecost. This is jointly run with By Design Theatre. For log in please email youth@prcdtr.org.uk
I am seeking young people across the diocese that speak an additional language to English and would be happy to record themselves saying the Lord's prayer. Please get in contact if you are willing to take part.



ST GEORGE – 23rd April

Heavenly Father, give us the bravery of St George to stand up for the truth and the glory of God we have seen in the face of Jesus Christ. Give us the strength to overcome in our lives and in the world, all that is contrary to your rule of justice and love. Amen

RIP

Patrick Doyle

Patrick passed away last Sunday.

Please continue to pray for Suzette and family.
Funeral details to follow.

SAINTS FUN FACTS

by John Sheppard
St. George was a soldier in Diocletian's army. The emperor hated Christians and killed any he came across. George was also a soldier in the army of Christ and scolded the emperor for being cruel and resigned from the Roman army. For this he was tortured and beheaded. He is revered by soldiers everywhere and is usually depicted fighting a dragon (enemies of Christ).



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