

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 32:5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

THE COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
lead us to a share in the joys of heaven,
so that the humble flock may reach
where the brave Shepherd has gone before.
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

4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 117:1. 8-9. 21-23. 26. 28-29. R.v22

**R) The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,
for his love has no end.
It is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in men:
it is better to take refuge in the Lord
than to trust in princes. **(R)**

I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.
The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes. **(R)**

Blessed in the name of the Lord
is he who comes.

We bless you from the house of the Lord;
I will thank you for you have given answer
and you are my saviour.
Give thanks to the Lord for he is good;
for his love has no end. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John

3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jn 10:14

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

The Lord be with you.
And with your spirit.
A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.
Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said:
'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.
The hired man, since he is not the shepherd
and the sheep do not belong to him,
abandons the sheep and runs away
as soon as he sees a wolf coming,
and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;
this is because he is only a hired man
and has no concern for the sheep.
I am the good shepherd;
I know my own
and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for my sheep.
And there are other sheep I have
that are not of this fold,
and these I have to lead as well.
They too will listen to my voice,
and there will be only one flock
and one shepherd.
The Father loves me,
because I lay down my life
in order to take it up again.
No one takes it from me;
I lay it down of my own free will,
and as it is in my power to lay it down,
so it is my power to take it up again;
and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant, we pray, O Lord,
that we may always find delight in these paschal mysteries,
so that the renewal constantly at work within us
may be the cause of our unending joy.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

**The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Look upon your flock, kind Shepherd,
and be pleased to settle in eternal pastures
the sheep you have redeemed
by the Precious Blood of your Son.
Who lives and reigns for ever and ever.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



Our Lady's bodily assumption to Heaven, which we celebrate in August, is an assumption, that is, she is taken up, the action does not come from herself. Our Lord, on the contrary, tells us in today's Gospel passage, that "I lay it (my

life) down of my own free will and as I have power to lay it down, so I have power to take it up again." During his agony in the Garden of Olives, before his passion and also on an earlier occasion, Jesus made clear his fear of that passion. Nevertheless, he prayed "My Father, if this cup cannot pass by, but I must drink it, your will be done." What was in his power to avoid he chose to suffer for love of his Father. And the reward, for all of us, is great. This is the "Good Shepherd" who with that same love of his Father loves us! He stayed with us then and he stays with us now, to teach us, to lead us, to

'feed' us, all those who will "listen to my voice". On one occasion, during his teaching ministry, a woman in the crowd cried out "Blessed the womb that bore you and the breasts that fed you!" He answered, "More blessed still are those who" like Mary "hear the word of God and keep it!" All this so that we "may have life and have it to the full".

EVANGELII GAUDIUM
(JOY OF THE GOSPEL)BROTHERS AND SISTERS ALL
CONFLICT AND FEAR

25. War, terrorist attacks, racial or religious persecution, and many other affronts to human dignity are judged differently, depending on how convenient it proves for certain, primarily economic, interests. What is true as long as it is convenient for someone in power stops being true once it becomes inconvenient. These situations of violence, sad to say, "have become so common as to constitute a real 'third world war' fought piecemeal".

Congratulations to Sharon Whitaker ...

What do St Pope John XXIII and our parishioner Sharon Whitaker have in common?

No... Sharon is not a saint yet, but with last Sunday's Rite of Admittance she joined the Secular Franciscan Order - founded by St Francis of Assisi - just as St Pope John XXIII did in 1895:

he too was a Franciscan!

Francis was born in 1182, the son of a wealthy cloth merchant and a devout mother. His father trained him to become a successful merchant, but Francis aspired to be a knight and embraced a military career. In 1205 he set out to join a crusade, when a vision told him to return to Assisi to seek God's will.

This was the beginning of his gradual conversion.

Francis desired to imitate Jesus perfectly. He preached peace, poverty and prayer. Many young men left everything to join him (Friars, 1st Franciscan Order). He inspired St. Clare, who abandoned wealth for a life of poverty, obedience and virginity (Nuns, 2nd Order). For the many people who wished to follow in his footsteps but were debarred by marriage or other ties from entering

either the first or second order, Francis devised the 3rd Order: Secular Franciscan.

As a Secular Franciscan, Sharon, who is a working wife and mother, will not take vows, but will permanently commit to live the Gospel as Francis did, following his Rule, as approved by the Pope, in her daily life. Sharon's effort for Cafod's Walk for Water is an example of her Franciscan spirituality at work. Sharon raised £1,100 – well done.





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Dear Parishioners,

Today, is Fourth Sunday after Easter!! GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY!
 It is a World Day of Prayer for VOCATIONS.

Spring is here, the daffodils and the tulips have come out to give us
 the feeling of a new spring once again! Our hearts are thankful to the
 Lord for taking us safely through a period of lockdown and loneliness.
 Now that period is slowly giving way to a joyful spring. However, let
 us be cautious to be guided by the regulations that we are in.
 We give thanks to God, and our thanks to everyone in the parish who
 kept it going through thick and thin by their prayers, offerings, and by
 their own selfless services.

I sincerely thank Canon Pat Chrystal who is celebrating mass in the
 parish during my absence. I am on a sick leave as you must have
 noticed me two weeks ago reeling under pain on my left leg, which
 thanks be to God, is much better now. Thanks for your prayers and
 concern for me. I have more time to pray and to read...Be sure you are
 all in my prayers. May God keep us all safe!

Please remember our Dean, Canon John Webb of St. Mary's, Poole, in
 your prayers, who was admitted into Southampton Hospital for heart
 ailments. May he recover soon and be back in his ministry!

***Jesus says in today's gospel " The Father loves me because I am willing to
 give upI give it up of my own free will" (Jn:10-18)***

In March 1980 Archbishop Romero of San Salvador strongly protested
 the failure of the government to respect the human rights of the
 citizens. He realized that the protest might lead to his imprisonment
 and even to death. But like Jesus, The Good Shepherd, he was willing to
 lay down his life for what he believed to be God's will. On March 24th, a
 hired gun assassinated Archbishop Romero as he stood at the altar
 celebrating the Lord's Supper with his flock.

**How willing am I to speak out for what I believe to be God's Will?
 How can I know what God's Will is?**

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

Fr Chacko

Please note there is only 1 mass a week at present as below so please make sure that you book
 through Carmel to attend. It is sad to have to turn people away who haven't booked but
 if the mass is full to the capacity, there will be no choice.
 Thank you to everyone for their patience at this time.

DAY	TIME AND CHURCH	Celebration or Feast Day	For the list of Readers, stewards, cleaners, Eucharistic Ministers, please see notices at the back of both churches
Sun 25	9.30am Christ the King LIVE STREAMED	4 th SUNDAY OF EASTER	
Th 29 th	NO MASS RECEPTION at St Bernadette's	St Catherine of Siena – Patron of Europe Reception of Body of Patrick Doyle	
Friday	11.30am St Bernadette's	Funeral Mass for Patrick Doyle	
Sun 2 nd May	9.30am Christ the King LIVE STREAMED	5 th SUNDAY OF EASTER	

As we enter into the month of May,
spring and new life is showing itself,
We pray for everyone in our parish
whatever we do, whatever our needs,
may we also continue to grow into new life
We thank you Lord for our Parish

For the Readers, stewards, cleaners, Eucharistic
Ministers, and altar servers
We thank you Lord

For Maria and Varghese and others who keep the parish
connected via live streaming and
facebook page
We thank you Lord

For John who keeps
St Bernadette's
repaired and
maintained
especially the
beautiful flowers
leading up to the
church
We thank you Lord



For Tomasz Brej, Anton and their
families who have kept Christ the
King church well repaired and
maintained
We thank you Lord

For those who have continued to
feed our children with the liturgy
videos each week
We thank you Lord

For the catechists who are
continuing to prepare our young
people for First Holy Communion
and Confirmation
We thank you Lord

For those in the Evangelisation Group
for their continued commitment to zoom
meets and so keeping the parish in their
prayers
We thank you Lord

For Fr Chacko and his gift of
service to our Parish,
May he return to good
health soon
We thank you, Lord

For Madeleine who keeps the Parish
office going
We thank you Lord

CAFOD

Catholic Agency for Overseas Development is the official aid agency of the Catholic church. There is a representation within the Parish and meetings are held simultaneously with the Live Simply group to discuss the needs of CAFOD and Live Simply.

The most recent events were held during Lent when the parish joined the **Walk for Water** Campaign. Fast days and walks were organised and the donations have enabled vulnerable communities around the world to have access to clean water. The total amount raised was £1583. This may not be the final amount as due to the current situation some parishioners may have donated by post or online. A huge thank you to all who supported our walkers and fast days. Overall CAFOD has reported the campaign has been a great success.

CAFOD's **Coronavirus Appeal** was launched last year as soon as the Covid 19 crisis took hold, and we supported it through our parish donations. The pandemic had a massive impact on the world's poorest people and put the survival of many cultures and communities under threat. Thanks to the generosity and compassion shown in the donations received from the Catholic community in England and Wales, CAFOD's partners overseas have been reaching out with local experts to save lives by supporting families with food supplies, personal protective equipment and prevention information in local languages, also providing help to rebuild their lives after losing relatives and livelihoods.

Want to know more about how to help in our parish?
contact Janet Holland or Jenny Gunstone



**Please remember
in your prayers...**

Fr Chacko
Canon John Webb
Eileen Bendall
Tony Bateman
Margaret Simpson
Gareth Hughes
Marcia Russell
Norman Warmington
Pauline Warburton
Veronica Williamson
Anna Browne
Lucy Rose
Miriam Miller
Sheila Perry
Chelsea Waring
Sheila Browning
Maria Heyes
Mary Carmody
Miriam Park
Mary Neito
Anne Flood
Sheila Shelley
Judd Barker
Theresa Smith
Grace Leung
Fr Jude
Imogen Garcia
Thomas Torok
Mary Hogan
Katrina Brookes
Mary Trott
Lee Langdown
Neville Rogers
Barbara Rogers
Frances Herbert
Elina O'Connor

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..**