

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf. Ps 97:1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord,
for he has worked wonders;
in the sight of the nations
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

THE COLLECT

Almighty ever-living God,
constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us,
that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism
may, under your protective care, bear much fruit
and come to the joys of life eternal.
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

9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 21:26-28. 30-32. R.v26

R) You, Lord, are my praise in the great assembly.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him.
The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him.
May their hearts live for ever and ever! **(R)**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord,
all families of the nations worship before him.
They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth;
before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **(R)**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him.
They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come,
declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn:
'These things the Lord has done.' **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St John

3:18-24

My children,
our love is not to be just words or mere talk,
but something real and active;
only by this can we be certain
that we are the children of the truth
and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence,
whatever accusations it may raise against us,
because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.
My dear people,
if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience,
we need not be afraid in God's presence,
and whatever we ask him,
we shall receive,
because we keep his commandments
and live the kind of life that he wants.
His commandments are these:
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ
and that we love one another
as he told us to.

Whoever keeps his commandments
lives in God and God lives in him.
We know that he lives in us
by the Spirit that he has given us.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
Whoever remains in me bears fruit in plenty.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL

John 15:1-8

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 to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,
and my Father is the vinedresser.
Every branch in me that bears no fruit
he cuts away,
and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes
to make it bear even more.
You are pruned already,
by means of the word that I have spoken to you.
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,
but must remain part of the vine,
neither can you unless you remain in me.
I am the vine,
you are the branches.
Whoever remains in me, with me in him,
bears fruit in plenty;
for cut off from me you can do nothing.
Anyone who does not remain in me
is like a branch that has been thrown away
- he withers;
these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,
and they are burnt.
If you remain in me
and my words remain in you,
you may ask what you will
and you shall get it.
It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit,
and then you will be my disciples.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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

O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice
have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead,
grant, we pray,
that, as we have come to know your truth,
we may make it ours by a worthy way of life.
Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf. Jn 15:1,5

**I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord.
Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty,
alleluia.**

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.
Through Christ our Lord.

Our Faith on Sunday

GOSPEL REFLECTION



This Sunday's Gospel goes right to the essence of what the real Christian life is all about. John says: "our love is not to be just words of mere talk, but something alive and active". If our love is not "alive and active",

then it isn't love, it's just words. John also speaks about conscience. St John Henry Newman said that conscience is the voice of God which helps us understand right from wrong. It is something that every human being has within them. However, we can choose to ignore the voice of conscience, and every time we ignore it, we also 'damage' it. If we ignore it constantly we will end up being led by a thousand other voices which are certainly not the voice of God. In fact we can see how much we are listening

to the voice of conscience by how much we keep God's commandments. We are familiar with the Ten Commandments, which are from the Old Testament, but John simplifies this by saying that there are just two commandments, to believe in the name of Jesus Christ and to love one another as he told us to.



EVANGELII GAUDIUM (JOY OF THE GOSPEL)



BROTHERS AND SISTERS ALL CONFLICT AND FEAR

26. This should not be surprising, if we realize that we no longer have common horizons that unite us; indeed, the first victim of every war is "the human family's innate vocation to fraternity". As a result, "every threatening situation breeds mistrust and leads people to withdraw into their own safety zone". Our world is trapped in a strange contradiction: we believe that we can "ensure stability and peace through a false sense of security sustained by a mentality of fear and mistrust".

Pope urges Catholics to pray in the Marian Month of May for end to Covid-19 pandemic

Catholics across the globe are encouraged to dedicate the Marian month of May to praying for an end to the pandemic. The initiative, behind which the Pope has thrown his support, involves 30 Marian Shrines from various parts of the world.

Pope Francis will open the Marian month of prayer on 1 May with a Rosary broadcast across Vatican Media's platforms. Each day will see Vatican News broadcast the recitation of the Rosary at 6 PM Rome time from the various Shrines taking part in the initiative. The Pope will also close the Initiative on 31 May with another specially-broadcast Rosary.

Pope Francis led a similar initiative during the first wave in March 2020 when he led the world in prayer during that confusing and difficult time, celebrating a live-streamed, daily Mass in the Casa Santa Marta. After more than a year, and with the world still in the grips of the pandemic, the Pope and the Church around the world are once again leading the way in imploring God for an end to the suffering which so many people are forced to bear.

www.vaticannews.va

Let us join with the Holy Father and pray the rosary every day in May for the end of the Covid-19 pandemic





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Dear Parishioners,

Today, is Fifth Sunday after Easter!

This weekend we are entering the Month of May, Month of Mary, our Mother. Pope Francis encourages the Catholics across the globe to dedicate this Marian Month of May to praying to Mary for an end to the pandemic. 30 Marian shrines across the world will involve in this prayer initiative. Let us join with our family Rosary prayer in this mighty effort of the Church in invoking the intercession of Mary to get the whole world of this pandemic.

For the time being, I am back in the office slowly and there will be weekly masses as before from Tuesday 4th May. Tests and investigations still continue, waiting in queue for further treatment, and hope to be back soon well.

As UK prepares to return to normality with talk of a post-pandemic society only a matter of months away, the Bishops of England and Wales in their Spring plenary session has urged the faithful to be ready to return to public worship once public guidance and restrictions allow them to do so.

Jesus says in today's gospel *"Whoever does not remain in Me is thrown out like a branch and it dries up; such branches are thrown into the fire, where they are burned"* Jn.15:6.

The movie "La Dolce Vita" depicts the life Marcello, a writer, who was brought up in a deeply religious family. As a young man he moved into the city, where he lost his religious faith. Instead of finding fulfilment there, rather Marcello finds emptiness. The movie ends with Marcello studying a decaying fish on the beach. Cut off from the sea, it has died, as a branch cut off from the vine dies. Now Marcello cut off from Jesus is dying...

To what extend can I relate to Marcello?

How can I firm up my bond with Jesus?

"Unless there is within us that which is above us, we shall soon yield to that which is about us".
Peter Tylor Forsyth.

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

Fr Chacko

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PRAYER FOR SPIRITUAL COMMUNION At Thy feet, O my Jesus, I prostrate myself and I offer Thee repentance of my contrite heart, which is humbled in its nothingness and in Thy holy presence. I adore Thee in the sacrament of Thy love, I desire to receive Thee into the poor dwelling that my heart offers Thee. While waiting for the happiness of sacramental communion, I wish to possess Thee in spirit. Come to me, O my Jesus, since I for my part, am coming to Thee. May Thy love embrace my whole being in life and in Death. I believe in Thee, I hope in Thee, I love Thee. Amen

DAY	TIME AND CHURCH	Celebration or Feast Day
Sun 2 nd	9.30am Christ the King LIVE STREAMED	5 th SUNDAY OF EASTER
Mon 3 rd	NO MASS	Feast of St Philip & St James -Apostles
Tues 4 th	9.30am Mass at CTK	Feast of the English Martyrs
wed	NO MASS	Memorial of St Richard Reynolds
Thur 6 th	9.30am Mass at CTK	Weekday Mass of Easter
Fri 7 th	9.30am Mass at CTK	Weekday Mass of Easter
Sat 8 th	6pm at St Bernadettes	VIGIL MASS of 6 th SUNDAY OF EASTER
Sun 9 th	9.30am Christ the King LIVE STREAMED	6 th SUNDAY OF EASTER



Thank you to Canon Pat Chrystal for stepping in and looking after us these last couple of weeks. As always, a delight to welcome him.

MASS ATTENDANCE

As the parish now opens up the mass times, please remember to book.

To book attendance, email; carmelbending1922@gmail.com (for CTK)
michellecarroll5@aol.com (for StB)

Great Big Diocesan Quiz – new date has been booked!

We are delighted to announce that we have a date for our next Great Big Diocesan Quiz, as last year's quiz in April had to be cancelled due to the pandemic

We're looking for parishes to join us **Friday, 24 September 2021 at 7.30pm** and we would love to make this our biggest quiz ever.

The last quiz in 2019 saw **9 teams** including one school compete for the trophy, which was won on the night by Heretics from Blessed Sacrament and **almost £1500** was raised.

If you would like to register an interest to take part or would like to discuss the quiz in more detail, please email vicki.dunstone@prcdtr.org.uk – all materials will be supplied by CCSP – you just need to find a venue and some teams to compete. **Good luck !**

Visit <https://www.facebook.com/CatholicChildrensSocietyPlymouth/>

Discernment weekend for men aged 30 to 55

The Beda College in Rome is running a discernment weekend for men between the ages of 30 and 55 from Friday 3rd September to Sunday 5th September 2021. It takes place at St Beuno's Spirituality Centre in Wales.

The weekend is for men who are not already in touch with the Vocations Director, Fr Ralph, and is a first step for those who may be exploring the possibility of priestly vocation in later life.

Information and registration forms are at:
<https://www.pathwaystogod.org/courses-events-retreats/discernment-weekend-older-men-1>

Please pray for the young people in our parish

36 children preparing for their first Holy Communion
16 candidates preparing for Confirmation



DATES for YOUR DIARY – more details to follow

PARISH CONFIRMATION MASS Sunday 13th June
FIRST COMMUNION MASSES Saturday 3rd & Sunday 4th July
DIOCESAN YOUTH DAY Saturday 10th July

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