



7TH MAY 2023

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER (A)

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

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.

Cf. Ps 97:1-2

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,
God, for ever and ever.

FIRST READING

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles. 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing,
the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the
daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So
the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed
them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so
as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among
yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit
and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and
continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the
word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and
elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit,
together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and
Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these
to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread; the number of
disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group
of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

PSALM

Ps 32:1-2.4-5.18-19. R.v22

**R) May your love be upon us, O Lord,
as we place all our hope in you.**

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **(R)**

For the word of the Lord is faithful
and all his works to be trusted.
The Lord loves justice and right
and fills the earth with his love. **(R)**

The Lord looks on those who revere him,
on those who hope in his love,
to rescue their souls from death,
to keep them alive in famine. **(R)**

SECOND READING

A reading from the first letter of St Peter. 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God
and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too,
the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which
Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones
making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in
Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man
who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means
that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers,
the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the
keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down.
They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it
was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated
nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called
you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

The word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except
through me.'
Alleluia!

Jn 14:6

GOSPEL

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

John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:
'Do not let your hearts be troubled.
Trust in God still, and trust in me.
There are many rooms in my Father's house;
if there were not, I should have told you.
I am now going to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,
I shall return to take you with me;
so that where I am
you may be too.
You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so
how can we know the way?'

Jesus said:
'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.
No one can come to the Father except through me.
If you know me, you know my Father too.
From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be
satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus
to him 'and you still do not know me?'

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father,
so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?'
Do you not believe
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?
The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:
it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.
You must believe me when I say
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;
believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

'I tell you most solemnly,
whoever believes in me
will perform the same works as I do myself,
he will perform even greater works,
because I am going to the Father.'

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

**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.**

Cf. Jn 15:1,5

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

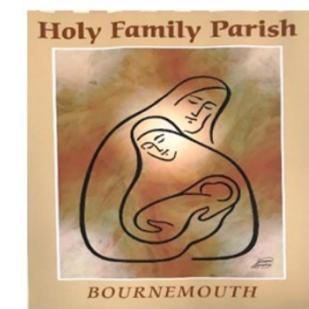
Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord,
and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries
to pass from former ways to newness of life.
Through Christ our Lord.

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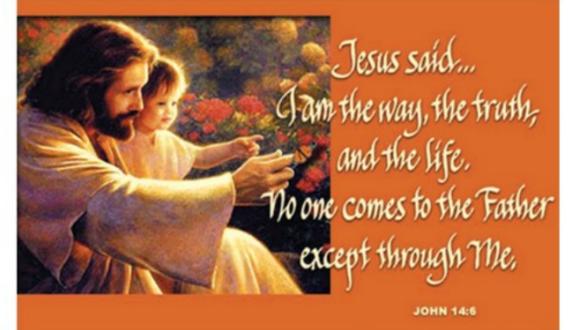
GOSPEL REFLECTION

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus announces, as it
were, the founding of the human family of God.
'I go (to my Father's house) to prepare a place
for you.'

The human Son of God has opened the way, the
'way' that had been closed since the first human
rebellion; the 'way' to true human fulfilment; the
'way' to an eternal happiness and contentment
after death.

'I am the way, he says. 'Believe that I am in the
Father' and that through that identity of being,
through that Oneness, I open the way to truth
and life as no-one else can. I enable those who
identify with me, to act for truth and life in this
world as I the Son can act; he (the believer) will
perform even greater works because I am going
to the Father'

Over the two thousand years since Our Lord
returned to his Father, the saints have borne
witness to the truth: the martyrs, the missionar-
ies, Mother Teresa, Martin de Porres, Padre Pio,
Teresa of Avila, to mention a few. There are
thousands, probably millions whose names will
only be known in Heaven.





A huge thank you to John (at StB's) and Tom & family (at CTK) for keeping our church gardens looking so welcoming and beautiful.



Recycle Your Ink Cartridges for Catholic Children's Society (Plymouth)
Please pop your used ink cartridges in the box located at the back of the church.
We raise £2 per cartridge! Thank you for your support.



THANK YOU

From Faith who through the kindness of so many, she has raised the £650 for her pilgrimage to Lourdes at the end of this month.
If anyone has a prayer intention, please place it in an envelope and give to the office and Faith will take it to the grotto with her.

POPE'S INTENTIONS for May 2023

For church movements and groups
We pray that Church movements and groups rediscover their mission of evangelization each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.
www.thepopevideo.org

Please use this QR Code to make donations to the Parish



MASS INTENTIONS

We can never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass which benefit one's soul.
If you would like a Mass offered for your intention, please speak to the Parish office
Mass request envelopes are at the back of church.



Jocelyne Cotrel
Les Netherton
Noel Harris

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Kevin Moor
Frances Smith
Sheila Shelley

Frances & Tony Herbert
Anna Browne Tony Bateman
Mike & Kathleen Carter

Please contact the Parish Office for your prayer intentions

DAY	CHURCH	TIME	CELEBRATION or FEAST DAY/ MEMORIAL
Sat 6	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sun 7	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of Fifth Sunday of Easter
Mon 8	StB	6pm	Adoration followed by Mass at 6.30pm
Tues 9	CtK	9am	Adoration followed by Mass at 9.30am Survivors of Sexual Abuse
Wed 10			NO MASS <i>St John de Avila</i>
Thur 11	CtK	9.30 am	Mass
Fri 12	CtK	9.30am	Mass followed by the Divine chaplet <i>St Nereus & St Achilleus & St Pancras</i>
Sat 13	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of Fifth Sunday of Easter
Sun 14	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of Fifth Sunday of Easter

HOLY HOUR—Please note that there will be **NO** Holy Hour this week and next and the time will be changed to slightly later to enable more to attend this wonderful time with the Lord

CHILDRENS LITURGY—the first Sunday of the month is 7th May so there will be children's Liturgy at StB



BIBLE REFLECTION

An Invitation...

The Bible reflection group, which meets once a month at the LSU Sisters' house, would like to invite you to join them as they continue their lively reflections/discussions on meaningful bible passages, trying to find ways of applying them to today's global, local or personal life situations.

If you are interested, please speak to Sr. Ines. The meetings take place on the first Monday of each month at 1.30pm at 79 Rochester Road."



PENTECOST

Please note the celebration of Pentecost mass times

Saturday 27 May
Vigil Mass at CtK 6pm

Sunday 28 May
11am at StB

We will have one Parish mass on the Sunday as we come together to celebrate the wonderful gift of the Holy Spirit within us all.

CORONATION OF KING CHARLES III

As we celebrate the coronation this weekend of our King, we continue to pray for him and his family..

Almighty God, the fountain of all goodness, bless our Sovereign Lord, King Charles and all who are in authority under him; that may order all things in wisdom and equity, righteousness and peace, to the honour of your name, and the good of your Church and people; though Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen





Coronation Celebration

Saturday 6th May
2.00pm
Christ the King School Hall

TICKETS:
£2 EACH
£5 PER FAMILY

Afternoon Tea
Entertainment
Mini Royal Quiz
Craft
Bouncy Castle

