5 May 2024

sixth Sunday of Easter

First reading Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm *R*: The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand & his holy arm have brought salvation. The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel.

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord, all the earth, ring out your joy The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Second reading 1 John 4:7-10 ·

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God's love for us was revealed

when God sent into the world his only Son so that we could have life through him; this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away. The Word of the Lord Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

Gospel John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me: no. I chose you: and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord *Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ*

REGINA COELI (to be said during Eastertide at 12pm - at the end of 1 1am Mass) V. Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia. R. For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia. V. Has risen, as he said, alleluia. R. Pray for us to God, alleluia. V. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia. *R. For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.*

Let us pray. O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

Sixth Sunday of Easter 2024

THE PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BOURNEMOUTH

5th May 2024

incorporating the churches of Christ the King, Kinson & St Bernadette's, Ensbury Park



Jesus speaks about love, emphasizing the intimate bond between himself and his followers. He urges them to abide in his love and to keep his commandments, highlighting the reciprocity of love and obedience. Jesus extends this love beyond his disciples, emphasizing the sacrificial nature of true friendship.

> This passage underscores the essence of Christian love: selflessness, obedience, and a deep connection with both Jesus and others.





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St John De Avila— 10th May

Though this saint bears the name of Ávila, that was simply his name, not where he was from. John of Ávila was born in the town of Almodóvar del Campo, Spain, less than a decade after Spain was liberated from almost 800 years of Muslim rule. He was an only child born later in life to his parents who had struggled to conceive. His noble, wealthy, and devout parents attributed John's birth to the intercession of Saint Bridget of Sweden. Notably, John was born on the Feast of the Epiphany.

After four years of studying law, John had a profound conversion experience, after which he returned to his parents' home for a three-year period of prayer and discernment. During that time, John began to hear God calling him to the priesthood. He sought spiritual advice from a Franciscan friar who told John that he believed him to be called to the priesthood and that he must go. That spiritual advice confirmed John's interior calling, and in 1520 he began his theological studies. While in seminary, John was blessed with excellent teachers who were well versed in the theology of Saint Thomas Aquinas. John was smart, a good student, and very devout, especially regarding the Holy Eucharist. When John returned home in 1526, he was ordained a priest and celebrated his first Mass in his home parish.

Toward the end of his studies, both of John's parents died. Being an only child of wealthy parents, John received a large inheritance. Once ordained, instead of having a lavish party, he went out into the streets, found twelve poor people, and invited them to share a feast with him. He then sold the property he inherited and gave his money to the poor. He decided to become a missionary to the West Indies and so went to Seville to wait for a ship. Whilst there, he began to engage in public ministry quickly drawing admiration for his devout celebration of the Mass and his preaching. The archbishop heard about him and intervened convincing Fr John to abandon his desire to travel and remain in Spain to help revive the faith that had been so severely damaged by centuries of Muslim rule.

Father John's preaching not only bore good fruit, it also stirred up animosity. Father John lived a life of radical poverty and regularly preached about the dangers of excessive wealth. Some of the local clergy were convicted by his preaching because of their lavish lifestyles, so Father John was reported to the Inquisition, subsequently arrested, and imprisoned. The charge was that he had preached in a sermon that "the doors of Heaven are closed to the rich..." Though many would despair during such a personal persecution, Father John did not.

Throughout his ministry, Father John became a saint among other saints, offering spiritual direction and counsel to many. He became a mentor to Saint Ignatius of Loyola and inspired many young men to join Ignatius' newly founded Society of Jesus. He advised the great Saint Teresa of Ávila, who sought his counsel on her writings. What can we learn from St John da Avila? We need to return to his teachings on simplicity, poverty, the universal call to holiness, his devotion to the holy Mass, and his passionate pleas for repentance from sin. Ponder your own call to

evangelize those closest to you. Doing great things for God often starts at home. Commit yourself to that mission field, and pray that God will bear much good fruit through your efforts. If you suffer as a result, be encouraged by Saint John's imprisonment and know that God can bring forth good from everything you are called to endure.

Prayer: Saint John of Ávila, God used you to transform southern Spain during a most difficult

my mission field and will work tirelessly to set a holy example and guide them by the words

time in the history of the Church. You prayed and devoted yourself to God's mission, and much good fruit was borne as a result. Please pray for me, that I will see those around me as



you inspire me to share. Saint John of Ávila, pray for us.

POPE's INTENTIONS for May 2024 For the formation of men and Women, religious and seminarians Let us pray that men and women, religious and seminarians grow in their own vocational journey through human, pastoral, spiritual community formation, that leads them to be credible witnesses to the Gospel.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Noel Harris, Sheila Shelley Margaret Simpson, Tony Bateman, Les Netherton, Anna Browne, Frances Smith, Joceleyne & Peter Cotrel, Margaret Place, Frances & Tony Herbert, The Carter family





GIFT AID The Parish needs funds and by gift aiding your contributions, it makes a huge difference. Please complete a form at the back of church and return it to the office.

If you would like to pay by standing order/ direct debit, there are forms to set this up at the back of the church. You may wish to make an offering via the Parish QR code

DAY	CHURCH	TIME	CELEBRATION or FEAST DAY/ N
Sat 4			NO MASS
Sun 5	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of the Sixth Sunday of
Mon 6			NO MASS
Tues 7	CtK	9am	Adoration followed by Mass at
Wed 8			NO MASS
Thur 9	CtK	9.30am	Mass
Fri 10	CtK StB	9.30am 7.15pm	Mass followed by Chaplet of Div Holy Hour
Sat 11	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of the Seventh Su
Sun 12	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of the Seventh Sunda

Important Dates

PARISH JOINT MASSES @10am Pentecost - Sunday 19th May at StB First Holy Communion Celebration - Sunday 2nd June at CtK Holy Family Parish Day - Sunday 21st July at CtK

BLESSING of the GROTTOS— Sunday12th May, the grottos at both churches will be blessed. The Masses will start at the grottos for a short blessing and then all process in to the church. The blessing of the grottos is a beautiful expression of our devotion to Mary. We recognise her as the Queen of Heaven and earth. The blessing of the grotto is a spiritual act that honours the Virgin Mary and asks for her intercessions.

DIOCESAN QUIZ

Come and join in to see if we can retain the Cup against other parishes in the Diocese WHEN? Friday 10th May 7pm WHERE? CtK Parish Room WHAT? Quiz is set by the Diocese! WHY? To raise money for Plymouth Catholic Childrens Society HOW? Teams of up to 6 - can be formed on the night! COST? £2pp plus raffle on the night! Bring your own drinks and snacks ! Enjoy the fun! Contact Mike 07519932238 malaika13@yahoo.co.uk

Youth Adventure Residential 24th – 26th May 2024 at Buckfast Abbey aged 10 – 14? There is a recommended contribution of £100 to cover costs. For further information contact, Saskia: vouth@prcdtr.org.uk



Fireside Club Don't be lonely! Make new friends in this amazing club held in the main hall at Pelhams Community Centre every Friday 1pm-3.30pm Weekly entertainment, outings and refreshments - all for £2 All over 50's welcome! For more information, phone Jacqueline (from StB) on 01202 951188

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6th May Monday	2 Samuel 3-5	
7th May Tuesday	2 Samuel 6-8	JUN
8th May Wednesday	2 Samuel 9-11	
9th May Thursday	2 Samuel 12-13	_
10th May Friday	2 Samuel 14-15	
11th May Saturday	2 Samuel 16-17	

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St John De Avila

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Blessing of the grottos THE ASCENSION of the LORD

We are the reigning champions!!



MASS INTENTIONS...

We can never forget the infinite graces that flow from the Sacrifice of the Mass. If you would like a Mass offered for your intention, please take an envelope from the back of church and give to the priest or into the parish office