

First reading Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this: 'From the top of the cedar, from the highest branch I will take a shoot and plant it myself on a very high mountain. I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel. It will sprout branches and bear fruit, and become a noble cedar.

Every kind of bird will live beneath it, every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches. And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow, who withers green trees and makes the withered green. I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.

The Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God*

Responsorial Psalm *It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.*

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to make music to your name, O Most High, to proclaim your love in the morning and your truth in the watches of the night.

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

The just will flourish like the palm tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar.

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Planted in the house of the Lord they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just. In him, my rock, there is no wrong.

It is good to give you thanks, O Lord.

Second reading 2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what he deserves for the things he did in the body, good or bad.

The Word of the Lord *Thanks be to God*

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. *Alleluia!*

Gospel Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds: 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time: he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.' Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.

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

THE ANGELUS

V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary. **R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.** Hail Mary...

V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord. **R. Be it done to me according to thy word.** Hail Mary. . .

V. And the Word was made flesh. **R. And dwelt among us.** Hail Mary. . .

V. Pray for us, O holy Mother of God. **R. That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.**

Let us pray: **Pour forth, we beseech Thee, O Lord, Thy grace into our hearts, that we to whom the Incarnation of Christ Thy Son was made known by the message of an angel, may by His Passion and Cross be brought to the glory of His Resurrection. Through the same Christ Our Lord. Amen.**

THE PARISH OF THE HOLY FAMILY, BOURNEMOUTH

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

Jesus was a countryman, from the rich agricultural plains of Galilee, where wheat and fruit-trees abounded. It was natural from him to use such imagery for the Kingship of God which he was proclaiming.

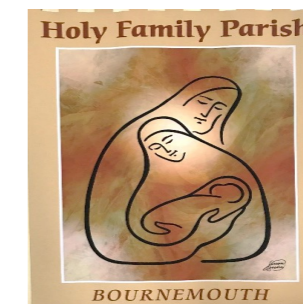
Today's gospel-reading offers us two of the many images in Mark's chapter of parables. What did Jesus want to teach by them? Images can carry many layers of meaning.

First, the Seed Growing Secretly. Perhaps Jesus meant that God's purposes are accomplished in spite of our feeble and fumbling efforts. Perhaps it was a warning that after long waiting the time for decision, the time of harvest had come with Jesus' own mission.

Then the Mustard-Seed: was this a reply to the discouraged disciples – or perhaps Jesus' critical opponents – that his motley little group of undistinguished peasants, fishermen and tax-collectors would grow into God's own mighty tree.



Perhaps this is a first hint that Jesus' mission is for all nations, not just for Israel. All nations would come, nest and find a home in its branches. At any rate, both images show that God is in charge, and has great plans which will be fulfilled despite our own inadequacies.



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Reflection on Hope

What is Hope?

Did you know that another word for hope, is trust. Hope is the gift we receive at our baptism, and it grows stronger as our relationship with God grows stronger.

When we learn to hope and trust in God and His promises of eternal life, we start to see that everything has a purpose, because it is permitted within God's plans for our everlasting happiness.

Having hope sustains us during the most challenging times in our life, it allows us to persevere even when the outlook can seem bleak.

The more we learn to hope and trust God the easier it is to practice the rest of the virtues. We begin to desire more than just the passing things of this world and we learn to value the spiritual things that really matter, and we begin to understand that having hope in God is an essential part of our life and faith journey.

'May the God of hope bring you such joy and peace in your faith that the power of the Holy Spirit will remove all bounds to hope' Romans 15:13

Blessings

Glenn

POPE'S INTENTIONS for June 2024 For those fleeing their own countries

Let us pray that migrants fleeing from war or hunger, forced to undertake journeys fraught with danger and violence, may find welcome and new living opportunities in their host countries www.thepopevideo.org

GIFT AID ENVELOPES

Don't forget to return your envelope and collect new Diocesan ones.



Please remember to record your change of number on the list by the envelopes.



16 June Sunday	1 Chronicles 18-20
17 June Monday	1 Chronicles 21-23
18 June Tuesday	1 Chronicles 24-26
19 June Wednesday	1 Chronicles 27-28
20 June Thursday	1 Chronicles 29
21 June Friday	2 Chronicles 1-2
22 June Saturday	2 Chronicles 3-5

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/ MEMORIAL
Sat 15	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time World Elder Abuse Day
Sun 16	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of The Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time Day for life (2nd collection)
Mon17	StB	6pm	Adoration followed by Mass at 6.30pm
Tues18	CtK StB	9am 2pm	Adoration followed by Mass at 9.30am Funeral of Les Netherton
Wed19			NO MASS
Thurs20	CtK	9.30am	Mass St Alban
Fri 21	CtK StB	9.30am 7.15pm	Mass followed by Chaplet of Divine Mercy Holy Hour St Aloysius— patron of youth
Sat 22	StB	6pm	Vigil Mass of The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time St John Fisher & St Thomas More <i>Mass int: Jean & Adam Wedding Anniversary</i>
Sun 23	CtK StB	9.30am 11am	Masses of The Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time



GLENN CARROLL ORDINATION

Friday 5th July at 7pm at St Marys Church in Poole.

As preparations are under way for this celebration, please can you

- let Glenn or Michelle know if you will be attending (for seat reservations and food in the hall after)
- write your name on the list at the back of the church if you need a lift or can give a lift

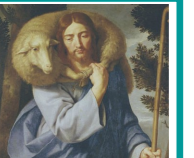
Some people have been asking about a gift for Glenn, if you wish to contribute towards a gift to allow Glenn to purchase items for his ministry, please donate in an envelope and pass to Jenny G at StB or Chris Caley at CtK. This, along with his new vestments, will be presented to Glenn at the Parish Celebration on Sunday 7th July at StB.

Thank you to Monsignor Francis Jamieson again this week for looking after the Parish



PRAYER FOR THE ELECTION OF A BISHOP OF PLYMOUTH

O God, eternal shepherd, grant in your boundless love a pastor for your Church who will please you by his holiness and show us watchful care. 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, Amen.
St Cuthbert Mayne, pray for us. St Boniface, pray for us



PLEASE NOTE THAT THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED FOR ONE WEEK— MONDAY 17TH TO FRIDAY 24TH JUNE.

PARISH LITURGY GROUP MEETING

Monday 1 July @ 7.15pm - StB

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 9 July @ 7.15pm - CtK

PARISH QUIZ

There has been a request for a quiz on a Saturday afternoon instead of an evening??? Let Mike know what you think? Mike 07519932238 or malaika13@yahoo.co.uk



There is a parishioner who needs some assistance with housework. If you would like to earn some extra money and are able to do one and a half hours per week to help, please contact Madeleine in the office.

KNITTING GROUP - Thursday afternoon 2pm in CtK Parish lounge. All welcome, If you can't come, maybe you can knit some squares for the group?



PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

Jenny Murphy, Noel Harris, Sheila Shelley, Anna Browne, Margaret Simpson, Tony Bateman, Frances Smith, Jockeyne & Peter Cotrel, Margaret Place, Frances & Tony Herbert, The Carter family



Les Netherton's funeral
Tuesday 18th June
At St Bernadette's
2pm

