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Week commencing Sunday, 3rd May 2020

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (World Day of Prayer for Vocations) - Year A, Weekday Cycle II, Psalter Week 4

THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY 2020.

For Deacons:

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor,
may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church

ENTRANCE HYMN:

Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord
Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name.

PENITENTIAL RITE

Priest: Have mercy on us, O Lord.
All: For we have sinned against you.
Priest: Show us, O Lord, your mercy.
All: And grant us your salvation.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: Acts (2:14,36-41)
God has made him both Lord and Christ

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'The whole House of Israel can be certain that God has made this Jesus whom you crucified both Lord and Christ.'

Hearing this, they were cut to the heart and said to Peter and the apostles, 'What must we do, brothers?' 'You must repent,' Peter answered 'and every one of you must be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ for the forgiveness of your sins, and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. The promise that was made is for you and your children, and for all those who are far away, for all those whom the Lord our God will call to himself.' He spoke to them for a long time using many arguments, and he urged them, 'Save yourselves from this perverse generation.' They were convinced by his arguments, and they accepted what he said and were baptised. That very day about three thousand were added to their number.

Responsorial Psalm: (sung)

1 The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want;
he makes me down to lie
in pastures green; he leadeth me

the quiet waters by.

2 My soul he doth restore again,
and me to walk doth make
within the paths of righteousness,
e'en for his own name's sake.

3 Yea, though I walk through death's dark vale,
yet will I fear none ill,
for thou art with me; and thy rod
and staff me comfort still.

4 My table thou hast furnished
in presence of my foes;
my head thou dost with oil anoint,
and my cup overflows.

5 Goodness and mercy all my life
shall surely follow me;
and in God's house forevermore
my dwelling place shall be.

Second Reading: first letter of St Peter (2:20-25)
You have come back to the shepherd of your souls

The merit, in the sight of God, is in bearing punishment patiently when you are punished after doing your duty. This, in fact, is what you were called to do, because Christ suffered for you and left an example for you to follow the way he took. He had not done anything wrong, and there had been no perjury in his mouth. He was insulted and did not retaliate with insults; when he was tortured he made no threats but he put his trust in the righteous judge. He was bearing our faults in his own body on the cross, so that we might die to our faults and live for holiness; through his wounds you have been healed. You had gone astray like sheep but now you have come back to the shepherd and guardian of your souls.

Gospel Acclamation: (*Jn 10:14*)

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

Gospel: John (10:1-10)

I am the gate of the sheepfold.

Jesus said: I tell you most solemnly, anyone who does not enter the sheepfold through the gate, but gets in some other way is a thief and a brigand. The one who enters through the gate is the shepherd of the flock; the gatekeeper lets him in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls his own sheep and leads them out. When he has brought out his flock, he goes ahead of them, and the sheep follow because they know his voice. They never follow a stranger but run away from him: they do not recognise the voice of strangers.'

Jesus told them this parable but they failed to understand what he meant by telling it to them. So Jesus spoke to them again:

'I tell you most solemnly, I am the gate of the sheepfold. All others who have come are thieves and brigands; but the sheep took no notice of them. I am the gate. Anyone who enters through me will be safe: he will go freely in and out and be sure of finding pasture. The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy. I have come so that they may have life and have it to the full.'

The Apostles' Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, (bow) who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Holy Sacrament of the altar. I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.

Communion hymn

Soul of my Saviour, sanctify my breast,
body of Christ, be thou my saving guest,
blood of my Saviour, bathe me in thy tide,
wash me with water flowing from thy side.

PRAYER DURING MAY BY POPE FRANCIS

"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God".

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved

ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

**Letter of His Holiness Pope Francis
to the Faithful for the Month of May 2020**

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.

For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. This can be done either as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations making the most of both opportunities. The key is doing this is always simplicity, and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayers to follow.

I am also providing two prayers to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary, and that I myself will pray in the month of May, in spiritual union with all of you. I include them with this letter so that they are available to everyone.

Dear brothers and sisters, contemplating the face of Christ with the heart of Mary our Mother will make us even more united as a spiritual family and will help us overcome this time of trial. I keep all of you in my prayers, especially those suffering most greatly, and I ask you, please, to pray for me. I thank you, and with great affection I send you my blessing.

The Holy Father's Prayers for May

+ PRAYER 1: (adapted)

O Mary,
You shine continuously on our journey
as a sign of salvation and hope.
We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick,
who, at the foot of the cross,
were united with Jesus' suffering,
and persevered in your faith.

"Protectress of God's people",
you know our needs,
and we know that you will provide,
so that, as at Cana in Galilee,
joy and celebration may return
after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love,
to conform ourselves to the will of the Father
and to do what Jesus tells us.
For he took upon himself our suffering,
and burdened himself with our sorrows
to bring us, through the cross,
to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen.

*We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God;
Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us
always
from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin.*

+ PRAYER 2: will be used after all Masses in May.

In Memoriam: All who have gone before us, especially members of our communities whose anniversaries occur around this week: , Betty Jordan, Carolotta Boyd-Smith, Kathleen Manning, Doreen Sayers, Sean O'Neill, Grace McGluskey, Terry Miller, Lawrence White and George Gavins.

+ **LENTEN ALMS:** Due to the pandemic, please hold on to your Lenten alms boxes until we could go back to church.

However, if you would like to make a donation, please count the monies in the box. Then you could make a bank transfer to the either of the parish accounts, Cambourne or Sawston. Please put the reference YOUR SURNAME+LENT so the treasurers would know your donation is for Lenten Alms.

HOLY MASS ON FACEBOOK

Hope you will be able to participate in Mass on:

- Cambourne Catholic Church Or OLOL and SJF Parish

4th Week of Easter – Sunday: World Day of Prayer for Vocations
- Vigil Mass (2nd May): 7.15pm (Pro populo)

Instead of the homily, we will listen to the Pastoral Letter by Bishop Alan

- 10.15pm (3rd May): God's Mercy for Cambourne
- 12.15pm (3rd May): Anthony O'Brien +

- Monday 4th May: 12.15pm and 7.15pm (THE ENGLISH MARTYRS, Feast)
- Tuesday 5th May: 10.15pm (Please note this unusual time), and 7.15pm
- Wednesday 6th May: 12.15pm and 7.15pm
- Thursday 7th May: - 12.15pm and 7.15pm
- Friday 8th May 12.15pm and 7.15pm
Saturday 9th May : 12.15pm and 7.15pm (Sunday Vigil)
- FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 10th May: 10.15am and 12.15 pm

PARISH PRAYERS LIVE STREAM: You are welcome to join James for Morning Prayer at the usual time of 9.15am live every weekday morning from the comfort of your own homes. Go to either of the parish websites <http://cambournerc.com/> or www.ololawston.org.uk at the designated time (9.15am or 6pm) and click on the audio link on the front page to listen live. The Rosary will be recited after Morning Prayer on Saturday mornings. The Angelus and Evening Prayer will be live at 6pm (Monday to Friday).

Introducing Ignite@Home

Streaming on YouTube at 7:30pm Friday 8th - Sunday 10th May with music, talks from guest speakers, fun and faith. Experience something of the annual *Ignite Festival* from the comfort of your home, all condensed into a little over an hour!

Find us on the Ignite Team YouTube channel <https://tinyurl.com/igniteathome> where you'll also find new videos from the Team.

Ignite@Home takes place when we usually would gather for *Ignite Festival* in Swaffham. We extend a special invitation to those who would have attended this year's festival, including Confirmation candidates, and those who have attended in the last three years.

Please contact Ciaran at igniteteam@rcdea.org.uk if you have any ideas or views on what Ignite should be doing.

+ **CONTRIBUTIONS:** Thank you very much for your generosity
- Cambourne: A family increased their Standing Order, and a family donated £40-00.
- Sawston: Mass stipends £25.00

* **DONATIONS:** If you would like to make a donation by cheque, direct debit, or standing order, please see below:

- **CAMBOURNE:** Cheques payable to **SJF CHURCH**. Bank transfer details: Barclays Bank UK Plc, Cambridge Branch, Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 33031454.

- **SAWSTON:** Cheques payable to **OLOL & SJF PARISH**. Bank transfer details: Barclays Bank UK Plc, Cambridge Branch, Sort code: 20-17-20, Account number 03187187. Please note that although this is named as a parish account it is in fact the Sawston account.

* **LEGACY & WILLS:** If you would like to leave a legacy or include the Parish in your will, please contact Fr. John or a member of the Finance Committees.

NB to all Gift Aiders: It is hoped that you are still able to continue your support to your Parish and the Diocese. However, if your circumstances have changed, please contact your parish priest +/- the Diocese.'

OTHER NEWS

+ **CAFOD** launched its coronavirus emergency appeal on 30 April. Coronavirus (Covid-19) has now spread worldwide, with confirmed cases in many countries where CAFOD works.

The effects of coronavirus on developing countries are likely to be devastating. Many countries have very weak healthcare systems and will not be able to cope. Families without enough to eat and without access to clean water, possibly living with other diseases, will be particularly vulnerable to coronavirus. It is not just a public health emergency. Many of the world's most vulnerable people will lose their jobs and be unable to support their families. The poorest and most marginalised communities, working hard to transform their lives, will be pushed further into poverty. CAFOD is adapting its programmes to help manage the risk of coronavirus in communities and working with local Church aid agencies on the frontline of this crisis. They are already working to get food to where it is needed most; to improve hygiene, handwashing and sanitation in communities and households; producing radio messages, posters and leaflets in local languages on risks and prevention; and training community volunteers to carry out awareness campaigns. In order to continue protecting and improving the lives of those in poor communities, your prayers and gifts are needed now more than ever. While we are not able to hold collections in our church, you can donate at cafod.org.uk/coronavirusappeal. Many thanks.

+ **LIVE-STREAMING FROM WALSINGHAM:** In addition to the regular programme there will be the following:

CATECHESIS

The Shrine is very grateful to Father Stephen Wang for allowing us to use his Sycamore Program. We shall be showing the 20 half hour videos, starting on Monday 27th April. They will be shown at 10.30am and 4.00pm each day.

+ Join MBIT for a Zoom Retreat : MAY MAGNIFICAT

16th May, 10.00 - 2.30 and rejoin at 3.00 pm
Suggested Donation: £5.

Email: mbitadm@hermes.cam.ac.uk to register. Details for joining will be sent out 14th May.

+ **RADIO MARIA: JOB VACANCIES**

1) Audio Technician: Full time position, competitive salary. Closing date – 15/05/2020. Radio Maria England is looking for an excellent Audio Technician to drive our state of the art studio in Cambridge. Our ideal candidate will have at least 3 years of proven experience working, at a high level of technical

expertise, with sound editing and recording equipment in a radio or television environment. You will be a team player who can work both with employees and volunteers, as well as able to work on your own initiative. You will be able to work under pressure, have strong problem-solving skills, and have the ability to competently repair equipment. You will also have excellent hearing with an ear for detail and a good level of manual dexterity and fitness.

2) Fundraising Manager: Part time position, salary – 18K. Closing date – 15/05/2020. Radio Maria England is a “not for profit” charity Christian radio station that broadcasts 24/7 on DAB/DAB+ and on the internet. It is part of the World Family of Radio Maria. Radio Maria England is looking to appoint a fundraising manager responsible for developing and managing support for the long-term of our work. You will have strong planning and organisational skills and a knowledge of a range of fundraising and campaigning techniques with an understanding of ethical principles. Good communications skills, excellent writing and presentation skills and the ability to motivate supporters and volunteers are essential. You will also understand how to source major donors, organise events and campaigns, and have a proven track record in grant writing.

3) Editorial Assistant: Full Time position, salary – 30K. Closing date – 15/05/2020. Radio Maria England's primary objectives are to advance the Roman Catholic faith and mission for the benefit of the public through the production and broadcast of religious radio programmes and through other forms of media and publication. The Editorial Assistant will support the Priest Director in supervising the editorial activities of Radio Maria England broadcasting. This will entail planning, scheduling, and management of radio broadcasts and their content. You will have excellent verbal and written communication skills, be able to work flexibly with effective management of your time to meet deadlines. You will have good attention to detail, including first-class proofreading and strong IT and administrative skills. Please contact coordinator.uk@radiomaria.org for further information.

+ **Cathedral Mass:** The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales recognise that this time of the COVID 19 pandemic is affecting every person in our countries. Those who are sick and their families, are suffering many hardships of isolation from contact with those they love. Our front-line workers in hospitals and in care homes all over our lands are giving exceptional service to those who are vulnerable at this time.

In order to show a spiritual solidarity with all those who are involved in the ways described above, each week from next Thursday, a Catholic Bishop will celebrate mass in their Cathedral which will be live-streamed for people to join. This will take place **every Thursday at 7.00 pm.**

7 th May	Bishop Marcus Stock	Leeds Cathedral
14 th May	Bishop Robert Byrne CO	Newcastle Cathedral
21 st May	Bishop Mark Davies	Shrewsbury Cathedral
28 th May	Bishop Terence Drainey	Middlesbrough Cathedral

By visiting the Cathedral webpage, or the Bishop's Conference Webpage (cbcew.org.uk) links for the live-streaming of these Masses can be found.