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Week commencing Sunday, 24th May 2020

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY - Year A, Weekday Cycle II, Psalter Week 3

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.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our praver: you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, You alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First Reading: From the **Acts of the Apostles:**(1:12-14) *All joined in continuous prayer.*

After Jesus was taken up into heaven the apostles went back from the Mount of Olives, as it is called, to Jerusalem, a short distance away, no more than a sabbath walk; and when they reached the city they went to the upper room where they were staying; there were Peter and John, James and Andrew, Philip and Thomas, Bartholomew and Matthew, James son of Alphaeus and Simon the Zealot, and Jude son of James. All these joined in continuous prayer, together with several women, including Mary the mother of Jesus, and with his brothers.

Responsorial Psalm: (P26:1,4,7-8. R. v.13)

I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. R

The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; before whom shall I shrink? **R**

There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. **R**

O Lord, hear my voice when I call; have mercy and answer. Of you my heart has spoken: 'Seek his face.' **R** Second Reading: From the first letter of St Peter (4:13-16)

It is a blessing for you when they insult you for bearing the name of Christ.

If you can have some share in the sufferings of Christ, be glad, because you will enjoy a much greater gladness when his glory is revealed. It is a blessing for you when they insult you for bearing the name of Christ, because it means that you have the Spirit of glory, the Spirit of God resting on you. None of you should ever deserve to suffer for being a murderer, a thief, a criminal or an informer; but if anyone of you should suffer for being a Christian, then he is not to be ashamed of it; he should thank God that he has been called one.

Gospel Acclamation: (Cf. Jn 14:18)

Alleluia ! Alleluia ! I will not leave you orphans, says the Lord; I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy. Alleluia ! Alleluia !

Gospel: John (17:1-11) *Father, glorify your Son.*

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Father, the hour has come: glorify your Son so that your Son may glorify you; and, through the power over all mankind that you have given him, let him give eternal life to all those you have entrusted to him. And eternal life is this: to know you, the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom you have sent. I have glorified you on earth and finished the work that you gave me to do. Now, Father, it is time for you to glorify me with that glory I had with you before ever the world was. I have made your name known to the men you took from the world to give me. They were yours and you gave them to me, and they have kept your word. Now at last they know that all you have given me comes indeed from you; for I have given them the teaching you gave to me, and they have truly accepted this, that I came from you, and have believed that it was you who sent me. I pray for them; I am not praying for the world but for those you have given me, because they belong to you: all I have is yours and all you have is mine, and in them I am glorified. I am not in the world any longer, but they are in the world, and I am coming to you.'

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 ON THE FIFTH ANNIVERSARY OF LAUDATO SI

Loving God Creator of heaven and earth and all that is in them. You created us in your image and made us stewards of all your creation, our common home.

You blessed us with the sun, water and bountiful land so that all might be nourished. Open our minds and touch our hearts, so that we may attend to your gift of creation.

Help us to become conscious that our common home belongs not only to us, but to all future generations, and that it is our responsibility to preserve it. May we help each person secure the food and resources that they need.

Be present to those in need in these distressing times, Especially the poorest and those most at risk of being left behind. Transform our fear, anxiety and feelings of isolation into hope so that we may experience a true conversion of the heart.

Help us to show creative solidarity in addressing the consequences of this global pandemic. Make us courageous to embrace the changes that are needed in search of the common good. Now more than ever may we feel that we are all interconnected, in our efforts to lift up the cry of the earth and the cry of the poor.

May the present sufferings be the birth pangs of a more fraternal and sustainable world.

Under the loving gaze of Mary Help of Christians, we make our prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

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In Memoriam: All who have gone before us, especially members of our communities whose anniversaries occur around this week: Marie Lloyd, Vera Watson, John Webster, Alan Law, John Webster Jack Robertson, Richard Mooney, Ray Alldrick, Terry Neville, Hugh Wilfred, O'Hagan, and Robert Charles Arnold

CONDOLENCES: to Julie and family following the death of Colin Ball who died on Wednesday, 6th May 2020. Due to the present situation, his funeral on Tuesday 26th at Cam Valley Crematorium is for family members only. If you would like to watch it on webcam, please contact Julie.

Our prayers and thoughts are also with the families of Betty Jean Breen (Funeral on 27th May), Ethel Ann Beaumont (Funeral 29th May), and Edna Edora Fernandez (Funeral on 1st June).

May they rest in peace.

CATHOLIC CHAPLAIN TO ADDENBROOKE'S HOSPITAL: Fr Adrian Gates could visit a patient if staff allow him. In case you or your loved ones are hospitalised, please ask the staff to contact him for the sacraments. He can visit a patient if he is called by the hospital.

+ 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 either of the following pages:

- Cambourne Catholic Church

- OLOL and SJF Parish

DUE TO FUNERALS, PLEASE NOTE THAT MASS TIMES ON TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY ARE SLIGHTLY CHANGED.

+ SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER:

- Saturday 23rd May: 12.15pm (James Thomas†), and Vigil Mass 7.15pm (Caroline & Andrew's Intentions)
- Sunday 24th May: 10.15pm, and 12.15pm (Pro populo)

- Monday 25th May: 12.15pm (Barry Wallman†), and 7.15pm

- Tuesday 26th May: 11.15pm (Colin Ball†) [Please note this unusual time], and 7.15pm (Bishop Vincent Malone†)

- Wednesday 27th May: 11.15pm (Betty Breen†) [Please note this unusualtime], and 7.15pm

- Thursday 28th May: 12.15pm (Joy & Mary's Intentions), and 7.15pm

- Friday 29th May 12.15pm (Ethel Beaumont †), and 7.15pm

- Saturday 30th May: 12.15pm, and 7.15pm (Vigil) Mass for

Pentecost (Caroline & Andrew's Intentions)

- PENTECOST SUNDAY 31st 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.ololsawston.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).

+ CONTRIBUTIONS: Thank you very much for your generosity - Cambourne: Standing Order £228, Donations £100 (bank transfer); Mass Stipends £80 (bank transfer).

- Sawston: Standing Order £756; Donation £100 (bank transfer); Mass stipends: £20 (via Post Office) and £20 (cash); Stole fee: £199.

+ MASS INTENTIONS: If you would like to have a Mass said for deceased people, or for your intentions, please contact Fr John. You can make a donations by cheque or bank transfer with the reference YOURSURNAME+MASS.

* **DONATIONS:** If you would like to make a donation by cheque, direct debit, or standing order, please see below. For reference, please put YOURSURNAME+DONATION. Many thanks.

- 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.'

CATECHESIS

+ Bishop Barron's series on the Sacraments is available for free, if anyone is interested to watch this wonderful resource they can watch it online. They just need to provide an email address. https://sacraments.wordonfire.org/episode1access

DIOCESAN NEWS

+ The Diocesan Welfare Coordinator has been appointed and will start on 1st June. Sarah Truman has been working in CAB in Bury St Edmunds and will begin by working 2 days a week. The role is to support priests approaching and already in retirement. An analysis of all 112 priests associated with the diocese has been completed and this will help to give an overview of all payments allowing equitable and adequate funding of retirement benefits for all priests.

+ Enhancing weekly giving. The Diocese will be interviewing some promising candidates for the position of Stewardship and Fundraising Coordinator, who once in post will help all parishes to increase their collections. Focus will be on increasing the numbers of those giving regularly by standing order and also agreeing to Gift Aid.

+ Diocesan Levy Holiday for Parishes. In order to help parishes with cash flow at this difficult time, the normal levy payments which are taken from the parish diocesan accounts in June will now be taken in September. The Diocese hopes that this three-month holiday will be of some help.

OTHER NEWS

Pentecost Sunday May 31st – National Rosary relay Rally across England, Wales, Scotland - 9am to 9pm In his letter on the month of May, Pope Francis writes: 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 you to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty OF PRAYING THE ROSARY AT HOME IN THIS MONTH OF MAY.

This can be done as a group or individually; you can decide according to your own situations, making the most of both opportunities. The key to doing this is always simplicity and it is easy also on the internet to find good models of prayer to follow.

In response to Pope Francis' request there has been a Rosary Mission co-hosted by the London Rosary Shrine, Walsingham Basilica, Carfin Grotto and Rosary on the Coast.

I would like to invite you and your parishioners to take part in the culmination of this initiative – a Rosary Relay - on May 31st.

The Diocese of East Anglia has been asked to pray the Rosary between 2.00pm and 3.00pm on Sunday May 31st, Pentecost Sunday. I shall lead the Rosary at 2.00pm which will be live streamed from St John the Baptist's cathedral that afternoon.

The focus for our prayer intentions is :

For faith, the sanctity of life and peace in the world;

For an end to the Covid 19 virus, for the sick and dying, for the dead and the grieving, for all health workers and carers, for those researching for an anti-virus;

For the protection of the common good and people's economic livelihoods;

For the poor, homeless and destitute;

That the Holy Spirit will preserve us from disaster and war.

PLEASE PRAY FOR the repose of the soul of Bishop Vincent Malone, the emeritus auxiliary bishop of Liverpool who died on Sunday as a result of the corona virus infection. He was 89 years old and in the 65th year of his priesthood.

Devotedly in Christ, Alan Hopes, Bishop of East Anglia

+ Ignite Appeal: Looking for a new challenge in September? The Diocesan Youth Service is seeking applications from 18-35 year olds to join the Ignite Team for 2020-2021. Spend a year sharing the Gospel message with children and young people across East Anglia, developing new skills and growing in your faith. Accommodation, food and other living expenses are provided plus a £200 monthly allowance. Ideal as a 'gap year' (can be extended). For more information visit www.rcdea.org.uk/youth or email Ciaran on igniteteam@rcdea.org.uk.

+ 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.

+ Catheral 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, 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**.

28th May Bishop Terence Drainey Middlesbrough Cathedral

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

+ Five years on from his Encyclical *Laudato Si*', Pope Francis renews his urgent call: "The cry of the earth and the cry of the poor cannot continue. Let's take care of creation, a gift of our good Creator." Please see the video message on the link www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2020-03/pope-francislaudato-si-week.html.

Laudato Si' offers an inspiring vision for building a just and sustainable world. This depends on us all making choices, guided by our Faith, to live as if we really love and care about our sisters and brothers, other living creatures and the rest of God's creation.

For more information please see:

https://laudatosiweek.org

https://journeyto2030.org/2020/05/15/laudato-si-week/ https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/the-church/the-pope/popefrancis/encyclical-laudato-si/

For young children

https://cafod.org.uk/Education/Primary-teaching-resources/Laudato-Si-animation

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