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Sixth Sunday of Easter 5th May 2024 Prayer of the Church: Week 2 Parish Mass Book: page 270

The Scripture Readings

Acts 10 The baptism of Cornelius, the first pagan to receive the grace of baptism, shows that God's salvation is offered to all.

1 John 4:7-10 Probably the most important statement ever about God!

John 15:9-17 Jesus leaves his friends the supreme commandment of love.

The Ascension of the Lord, 9th May, Parish Mass Book page 276



The Ascension of Christ, Pietro Perugino, 1496

Acts 1:1-11 The first reading describes the Ascension of Jesus into heaven and his promise to send the Holy Spirit to his disciples.

<u>Ephesians 1:17-23</u> Paul describes the meaning of the Ascension: God raised Jesus above all earthly powers, making him head of the Church and Lord of Creation.

Mark 16:15-20 Before he ascends to his Father, Jesus commissions his apostles to preach the Gospel throughout the whole world.

<u>Please pray</u> for the repose of the soul of Michael Smith whose Requiem Mass will be at 10 am on Monday 13th May and for John O'Sullivan whose Requiem Mass will be at 10 am on Wednesday 29th May. We also pray for Sylvia Thorpe RIP who has died recently.

Our Liturgies this week

Reconciliation: in the half hour prior to Mass.

Saturday 4th May The English Martyrs

5 pm Reconciliation 6 pm Vigil Mass for the Parish

5th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

10 am Mass Maurice Wren RIP

6th May Monday of Sixth Week of Easter

10 am Mass Janey & Thomas Connors

7th May Tuesday of Sixth Week of Easter

8th May Wednesday of Sixth Week of Easter

6 pm Vigil Mass for the Ascension Susie Shore RIP

Thursday 9th May The Ascension of the Lord

10 am Mass Glenda Kay RIP (CB) followed by Adoration until 11.30 am

10th May Friday of Sixth Week of Easter

10 am Mass Richard Bastable RIP (AJ)

11th Saturday of Sixth Week of Easter

6 pm for the Parish

12th May Seventh Sunday of Easter

10 am Mass Margaret Messenger (MC)

The Word of the Lord.



Thanks be to God!

The Church has been preparing a new translation of the Lectionary, the books from which the scriptures are proclaimed at Mass.

The hope is to be ever more authentic in passing on the Word of God. This translation will be used in the Church in England, Wales and Scotland from Advent this year. We will be purchasing these in good time. If anyone wishes to help us with the purchase, perhaps dedicating a volume in memory of a loved one, please let Canon Gerard know.

Thank you.

Flores de Mayo

The Procession of the *Reynas*, the May Queens, follows 10 am Mass this Sunday. Do bring flowers to place at our Grotto! You are then invited to stay for the celebration of lunch. (Please note that some of the car park will be used for this event and parking may be restricted.) You will also find notes at the back of church on praying the Rosary in May, the month of Mary.

Last Sunday at St Michael's ...



... staff and children from our Parish School, St Thomas More, supported our Mass beautifully and were also able to witness the baptism of Jasmine Sophia Ghosh. Visitors commented on the joy of our celebration!



Saturday mornings at 10 am

Canon Gerard gives 45-minute reflections.

4th May <u>The art of Easter</u>

11th May <u>Catholic Social Teaching</u>

18th May <u>The Gifts of the Holy Spirit</u>

You are all most welcome to join us.

Cafod Sudan Appeal

Thank you for your generous response to Tim Collins' appeal. Cafod envelopes are available if you need one.

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