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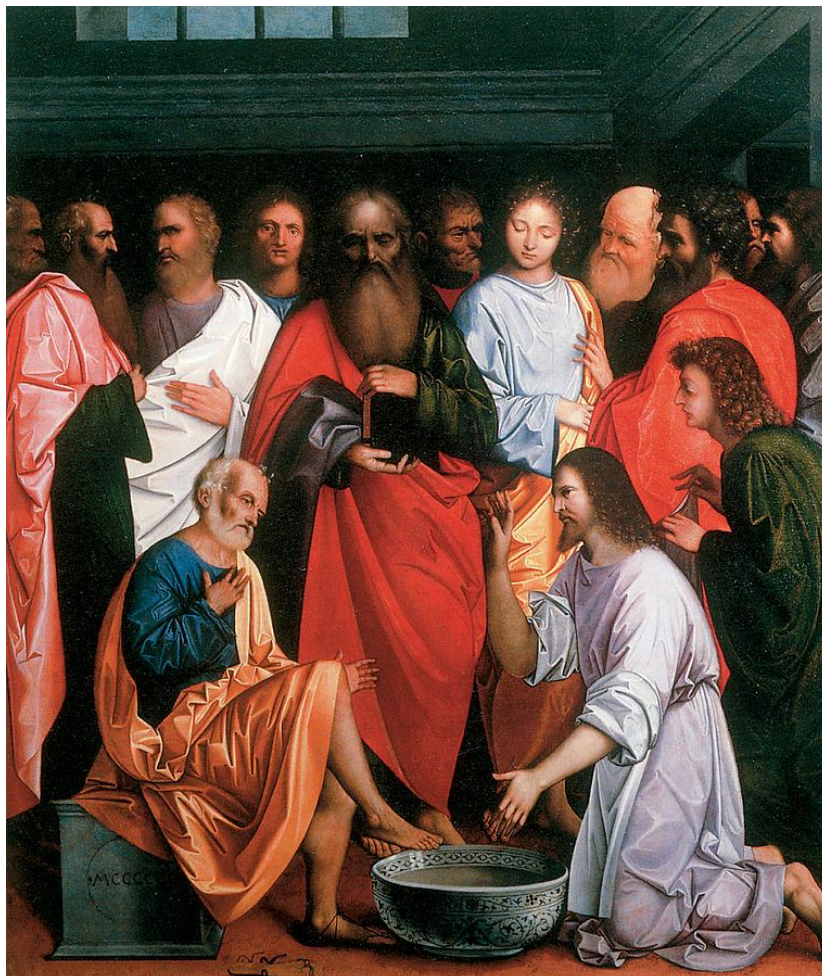
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The call of the first disciples: the commandment of love

Fifth Sunday of Easter: Parish Mass Book page 265 **Prayer of the Church:** Week 1

Acts 14.21-27 Paul and Barnabas retrace their steps,
encouraging the little communities of Christians they had founded.

Revelation 21:1-5 This reading, taken from the final part of the Apocalypse,
opens with the vision of a new world and the new order of things inaugurated by Christ.



Christ Washing the Feet of the Apostles (1500) - Giovanni Agostino da Lodi

John 13:31-35 During the last Supper Jesus gives his apostles a new commandment;
to love one another as he has loved them.

Our Liturgies

Reconciliation: in the half hour prior to Mass.

Saturday 17th May St Dunstan

6 pm Mass for the people of the Parish
*Father John Adikwu celebrates our Masses as
Canon Gerard has a few days away.*

18th May Fifth Sunday of Easter

10 am Mass Thanksgiving Mr & Mrs Chibueze
and Ifunanya Obiyor

Monday 19th May

Dedication of the Cathedral of St John Portsmouth

20th May

Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

21st May

Wednesday of the Fifth Week of Easter

10.30 am Adoration

22nd May

Thursday of the Fifth Week of Easter

23rd May

Friday of the Fifth Week of Easter

24th May

Saturday of the Fifth Week of Easter

5 pm Reconciliation

6 pm Vigil Mass for the people of the Parish

25th May Sixth Sunday of Easter

10 am Mass *Flores de Mayo*

25th Wedding anniversary of Alvin & Maria
Balba and for blessings on Ethan Martis

*Next weekend there is a retiring collection for
the Catholic Communications Network.*

Welcome to Vinnie Gordon Murley who was
baptised here last Saturday.

World Youth Day Bishop Philip invites you to
the Rome Youth Jubilee pilgrimage, from
28th July to 4th August. Thousands of young
people will be in Rome at the invitation of the
late Holy Father, Pope Francis. The cost
includes flights, hotel accommodation, half
board, travel in Rome, entrance and
participation fees and more. For booking:
youth@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk

Tea and Chat Group meet at 2 pm on
Thursday 29th May. All are very welcome .

Flores de Mayo

Mass next Sunday 25th May at 10 am includes
celebration of Mary, Mother of God. You are
invited by our Filipino community to stay
afterwards for lunch.

Prayer, Canon Gerard writes:

A dear friend of mine is also having treatment
for cancer. We recently exchanged thoughts
about prayer. Myra has let me quote what she
said. It really struck a chord.

*Praying for others is essential, of course, but I
didn't realise how much I would benefit from
people praying for me. It gave me strength to
know that people were praying for me, and it
made me less brittle. I hadn't quite realised
before how important it is to be able to receive
prayer as well as praying for others. I used to
run track in high school and people's cheering
kept me going, and although one needs some
encouragement to keep the stamina up, prayer
is so much more beautiful, softer and gentler
and more efficacious than anything else. I
found that knowing people were praying for me
allowed me take time to be more receptive to
many things, to find beauty in surprising
places, and to appreciate rest and acceptance.
And of course praying for others is just as
essential and beneficial in a different way,
thinking of others instead of just oneself. Thank
you for your wonderful words: Prayer
transcends all limits of time and space.*

May is the month of Mary.

Here is a prayer to Mary, for a good mind.

It is by A. Hanrion, S.J.

O Mary, my Mother, I offer you my soul, my
mind, and my heart. Make of me God's
instrument. Give me a penetrating mind to
discover, firm to judge, open to understand,
free to serve the truth; an honest mind in
telling what it sees rather than what it wants
to see; a tolerant mind which does not
dictate to other people, but which explains
what it sees clearly; a mind infused by the
light and the truth of your Son Jesus, patient
in faith, while waiting for the vision of eternal
life. Amen.

