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SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER SUNDAY 6th MAY 2018

I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. (John 15:1)



The gospel and letters of John were probably written around 100 AD and were among the last parts of the New Testament to be penned. It is as though the prayer and reflection of the first generations of



believers finally brought them to an understanding of what the whole Christian experience was all about and it could be summed up in three simple words: God is Love. This is neither pious sentimentality nor a bland cliché for, if it is taken seriously, nothing can ever be the same again. Peter and Cornelius both discovered that this is a love that makes changes and shatters old certainties. This is the love which proves that God will stop at nothing to convince a weak and wounded humanity of its immeasurable worth and dignity. The sad thing is that we often still choose to live in the darkness surrounded by our prejudice and fear. Or worse still, we imagine that being a follower of Jesus is about intellectual adherence to dogmas rather than a living out of a relationship of love.

DEVOTIONS TO MARY IN THE MONTH OF MAY

May Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary refer to special Marian devotions held in the Catholic Church during the month of May honouring the Virgin Mary. There are many ways to celebrate this particular devotion both in your homes and the Church.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.*

The 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 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 prayer;
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 Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles



As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!' Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.' While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: PS 97(98):1-4

R. The Lord has shown is salvation to the nations.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders.
His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. *R.*

2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
has shown his justice to the nations.
He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. *R.*
3. All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God.
Shout to the Lord, all the earth, ring out your joy. *R.*

SECOND READING

1 John 4:7-10

A reading from the first letter of St John

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love. God my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 15:9-17

Jesus said to his disciples: 'As the Father has loved me, so I have loved you. Remain in my love. If you keep my commandments you will remain in my love, just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love. I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete. This is my commandment: love one another, as I have loved you. A man can have no greater love than to lay down his life for his friends. You are my friends, if you do what I command you. I shall not call you servants any more, because a servant does not know his master's business; I call you friends, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me: no, I chose you; and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit, fruit that will last; and then the Father will give you anything you ask him in my name. What I command you is to love one another.'

The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

I Reading: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26 Responsorial Psalm: 102

II Reading: 1 John 4:11-16 Gospel: John 17:11-19

** Full Text is available from Universalis.com*

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; Through him all things were made.✠For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (all bow) *was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.*

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST



Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and your may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

Behold the Lamb of God...

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Jesus said: if anyone love me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him. Alleluia.

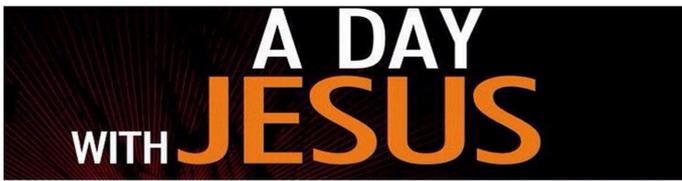
WAYS TO CELEBRATE HOLY MARY'S MONTH



FAMILY DEVOTIONS: Marian devotions can take place within the family, around a "May Altar" consisting of a table with a Marian picture or a Statue of Our Lady decorated with many flowers and the family would pray together. I encourage you to please say the rosary at home specially this month.

PARISH DEVOTIONS: You are most welcome to join our parish to the following Marian Devotions in the Church in the month of May:

- Rosary on weekdays after morning Mass.
- Eight-Day Novena after Mass from 24th MAY.
- A Feast Day Mass & Novena in Honour of Our Lady on 31st MAY.



On **SATURDAY 12th MAY**. This month, will be a special one in preparation for the celebration of Pentecost. Theme - *POWER TO WITNESSES*.

Adoration, Morning Prayer, Talks on the Holy Spirit and Devotions from 9.30am. Mass at 12.00pm (mid-day) followed by Anointing of the Sick and Prayer over people. Please avail of this opportunity to find out more about the importance of the Holy Spirit in our lives.

ROSARY ON THE COAST OF THE BRITISH ISLES: Thank you to all those who joined the Parish for the Rosary in the Church last Sunday and everyone who was united in spirit praying with all those who were saying the rosary on the coast.

YOUTH PROGRAMME: The Parish is organising a Young People's Wellbeing Programme. Do you feel anxious? Do you worry a lot? Do you feel misunderstood? If you answered yes to any of the above questions and you are aged 12-14 years old, you are invited to join a 6 week programme starting on 12th May 2018 (*on Saturdays only 10am-11am*). The sessions will be fun, interactive and may help you to make sense of how the mind works and find peace or clarity. If you would like to chat about the programme please call Peggy Jhugroo on 07947 800 451 or via Whatsapp.

ALTAR SEVERS & THEIR FAMILIES DAY: all the Altar Servers and their families are invited to an outing to seaside on **SATURDAY 7th JULY**. The coaches will leave St Boniface at 9am.

CHILDRENS' LITURGY: The Parish encourages all parents to take their children to the Parish Hall for the Children's Liturgy from **10.30am-11am** on Sundays. Parents can leave the children in the hall and the catechists will look after them. Your children will join you at the offertory time.

MIGRANT MASS: The Mass for Migrants will take place in St George's Cathedral this year on bank holiday **MONDAY 7th MAY** at **11 am**. All are welcomed to attend and celebrate the diversity within the Catholic Church.

CAKE SALE: Thank you very much to everyone who supported the cake sale organized by our Parish St Vincent de Paul Society (SVP) last Sunday 29th April to commemorate the birthday of their founder Frederick Ozanam after the 10.30am Mass in the Hall.

CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGES: We will have a special Mass on **SUNDAY 24th JUNE** at **12.00pm (noon)** to celebrate marriages. During the mass you will have an opportunity to renew your marriage vows. Those who are celebrating their 1st, 10th, 25th, 40th, 50th or 60th plus Wedding Anniversary, please write your names on the sheet as we will have a special celebration to mark your special anniversary. You are most welcome to invite your family and friends to this unique occasion.



SENIORS' DAY: on **SUNDAY 13th MAY** with a special Mass at 12.00 (noon) followed by a dinner & entertainment in the main hall.

STANDING ORDER: A big thank you to all of you who have set up a Standing Order. The amount for the April so far was **£1,035**. There is no deadline so anyone else who wishes to set-up a standing order now or in the future please collect a form from the Church porch or the Parish Office and return, or you can do it yourself online. Many thanks.

URDU & IGBO MASS IN THE PARISH: Next masses respectively are on **SUNDAY 13th MAY** at 2pm IGBO Mass and 4pm URDU Mass.

PADRE PIO PRAYER GROUP: St Boniface Padre Prio's Group will meet on **MONDAY 14th MAY 7pm-8pm**. All are most welcome.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you very much to all those who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is **week 1 (Team 1)** at **10am**.

ADOREMUS DELEGATE DEANERY GATHERING: All parish delegates are requested to attend the Deanery gathering on **SATURDAY 12th MAY 11.15am-1.30pm** at St Boniface Hall, Tooting.

NEXT WEEKEND 12th/13th MAY SECOND COLLECTION: is for World Communications Day. This collection supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CNN), the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales.

SOCIAL EVENTS—TNT Band will be playing in the hall on **SATURDAY 19th MAY**. Tickets £12 including curry supper.

Full bar available. Doors open at 7pm music starts 8.30pm.

QUIZ NIGHT on **FRIDAY 25th MAY** in the front lounge £5 Quiz only and £10 with supper in aid of Building Fund.

NEED TO SEE A PRIEST: If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or a wedding or a private matter, please come to the **Parish Open House** on **FRIDAY 11th MAY** from **6pm – 7.30pm**. No appointment needed.

TO BAPTISE A BABY: Please discuss with a priest at the Parish Open House held on most Fridays from 6pm – 7.30pm in the Parish Office.

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you or a family member are admitted to St George's Hospital and would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Jonathon Routh, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

The Sick: Nilojan Mariyathas, Jill Hart, Betty Joyce, Mary & Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Clifford Tetteh, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Patricia Xerri, Albert Folvi, Terence Rodrigues and Marciana Tangcay.

Recently Deceased: George Koo Mo Shan

Anniversaries: Violet Clements, Donal Bourke, Beatrice Ward, Junio Ratt, Paul McCann, Anna Sciaraga, Milton Swan, Bridget O'Sullivan, Clyde David, Helen Olesinka, Sheila Cooper, Veronica McCormack, Michael Plommer, Mary Downey, Anna Stroffolino, Margaret Long, Bruce Barton, David Pugh. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	5th & 6th May	12th & 13th May
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Mathew & Lucinda D'Souza	Jim Russell, Doris Cubero
09.00	Angela Lum Wai, Angus Xavier	Anita & Jayden Bennett
10.30	Anastasia Ogbonna, Mischa Musonda	Michelle McDonald, Mericel Austria
12.00	Ian Johnston, Tess Vallo	Sharon Wrightman, Ann Kuriakose
18.30	Susan Daniel, Philippa Keeling	Padraig Cronin, Angel Babu
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Agnela, David and Manuel Cabral	Kirsten, Lucinda & Mathew D'Souza
09.00	Valrose Hayes, Coralee Hilton, Elizabeth Rodrigues	Mary Donoghue, Valrose Hayes Pat Willis
10.30	Edy Endoza, Virginia Francois, Damian P Keeling	Carina Jualo, Isabella Mitchell, Kasia Zuzewicz
12.00	Rosemary John, Marjorie Smith, Mary Mayne	Neves D'Souza, Nellie de Santos, Tharma Kandiah
18.30	Reya Mathai, Juliana DeSouza, Barrie Ellis-Daley	Barrie Ellis-Daley, Juliana De Souza, Agnes Babu

Church Cleaning:	Wk1: Mon 7th May @ 10am	Wk2: Mon 14th May @ 7pm
Coffee Morning:	Trisha Creegan, Ann Gillespie, Sharon Wrightman	Caroline Churchman, Liz McDonnell, Juliana Adam

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

The collection last weekend was £

[Loose plate %; Gift Aid %]. Thank you for your generosity

Second Collection NEXT weekend is for World Day of Communications



Sunday 6th May SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B)	09.00 10.30 12.00 18.30	Pat Clarke RIP Fiona Hardy RIP A Pamela Lally RIP 7th A Edy Constantino Frederico
Monday 7th May Feria May Day Holiday	09.30 18.30	Harry Leamon RIP Intentions of Dawn
Tuesday 8th May Feria	09.30 18.30	Caetano Pereira RIP 3rd A Kathleen O'Regan RIP
Wednesday 9th May Feria	09.30 18:30	Pearl Nasta Intentions Mrs D'Mello RIP
Thursday 10th May ASCENSION OF THE LORD	09.30 18.30	Margaret Alford Kathleen Hearn RIP
Friday 11th May Feria	09.30 18.30	Daniel Foulds RIP Monica McCormack
Saturday 12th May Feria	12.00 18.30	"Day with Jesus" Special Healing Mass Bena Patel RIP
Sunday 13th May SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (YEAR B) WORLD COMMUNICATIONS DAY	09.00 10.30 12.00 14.00 16.00 18.30	Mario Rantac RIP Kevin Taylor RIP 20th A For SENIORS OF THE PARISH Rosina Wortham RIP IGBO Community Urdu Chaplaincy Mass Evelyn Coffey RIP

<p><u>Monday 7th May</u> Padre Pio Group (2nd&4th Monday each month— Next meeting 14th May)</p> <p><u>Tuesday 8th May</u> Parent & Toddler Group (9.30—11am Function Suite) Charismatic Prayer Group (7pm Church)</p>	<p><u>Wednesday 9th May</u> Rosary Prayer Group (7pm Parish Meeting Room)</p> <p><u>Thursday 10th May</u> Knit & Natter Group (3pm Parish Meeting Room) Legion of Mary (7.15pm Parish Meeting Room) Tamil Mass (7.30pm Church)</p> <p><u>Friday 11th May</u> 50+ Club (2pm Function Suite) Parish Open House (6pm—7.30pm in the Presbytery)</p>
<p>Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat: 11.30am-12.30pm</p>	

<p>Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday 5.15pm—6.15 pm</p>	<p>Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am</p>	<p>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am</p>
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