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FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT YEAR C: SUNDAY 3RD April 2022

Having had gospel readings from Luke for many Sundays now, this Sunday gospel is from the Gospel of John. The theme of forgiveness is prominent, as on previous Sundays. Jesus is being tested, as so often by the religious leaders of his day. The matter of fidelity to the Law of Moses is raised in a dramatic way. The actions of Jesus are eloquent. He crouches down to write on the ground, turning away from judgement and condemnation. He then 'stands up' to deliver words of forgiveness, words which restore her life to the woman and allow her to rise up. Words of forgiveness empower us to stand erect, and to accept the challenge not to sin again. Am I prepared to understand and pardon the sinner? Do I value the Sacrament of Reconciliation as a way of receiving for myself the new future? We pray for readiness to seek the forgiveness of Christ.



PARISH EVANGELISATION PRAYER

God our Father/ We thank you for the many ways in which we have been blessed/ and we ask your help in all our needs./ Pour out your Holy Spirit upon us/ as we entrust our Parish Family to your guidance and protection/ to walk together in Communion, Participation and Mission of the Holy Mother Church./ Help us to experience the joy of the Gospel/ as we reach out to our brothers and sisters/ with whom we share the gift of faith./ May we work with all people of good will/ so that the world may experience your Kingdom of truth, justice, peace and love./ Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

St Boniface-pray for us, Our Lady Help of Christians- pray for us



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

*Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless.
From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength .*

NO GLORIA LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Isaiah 43:16-21

A reading from prophet Isaiah

Thus says the Lord, who made a way through the sea,
a path in the great waters; who put chariots and horse in
the field and a powerful army which lay there never to
rise again, snuffed out, put out like a wick: No need to
recall the past, no need to think about what was done be-
fore. See, I am doing a new deed, even now it comes to
light; can you not see it? Yes, I am making a road in the wilderness,
paths in the wilds. The wild beasts will honour me, jackals and ostriches, be-
cause I am putting water in the wilderness (rivers in the wild) to give my cho-
sen people drink. The people I have formed for myself will sing my praises.



The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 125(126)

R. What marvels the Lord worked for us! Indeed we were glad.

When the Lord delivered Zion from bondage,
it seemed like a dream.
Then was our mouth filled with laughter,
on our lips there were songs. **R**

The heathens themselves said: 'What marvels
the Lord worked for them!'
What marvels the Lord worked for us!
Indeed we were glad. **R**

Deliver us, O Lord, from our bondage
as streams in dry land.
Those who are sowing in tears
will sing when they reap. **R**

They go out, they go out, full of tears,
carrying seed for the sowing:
they come back, they come back, full of song,
carrying their sheaves. **R**

SECOND READING

Philippians 3:8-14

A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Philippians

I believe nothing can happen that will outweigh the supreme advantage of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord. For him I have accepted the loss of everything, and I look on everything as so much rubbish if only I can have Christ and be given a place in him. I am no longer trying for perfection by my own efforts, the perfection that comes from the Law, but I want only the perfection that comes through faith in Christ, and is from God and based on faith. All I want is to know Christ and the power of his resurrection and to share his sufferings by reproducing the pattern of his death. That is the way I can hope to take my place in the resurrection of the dead. Not that I have become perfect yet: I have not yet won, but I am still running, trying to capture the prize for which Christ Jesus captured me. I can assure you my brothers, I am far from thinking that I have already won. All I can say is that I forget the past and I strain ahead for what is still to come; I am racing for the finish, for the prize to which God calls us upwards to receive in Christ Jesus.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

Now, now – it is the Lord who speaks – come back to me with all your heart, for I am all tenderness and compassion.

Praise to you, O Christ, king of eternal glory!

GOSPEL

John 8:1-11

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Jesus went to the Mount of Olives. At daybreak he appeared in the Temple again; and as all the people came to him, he sat down and began to teach them. The scribes and Pharisees brought a woman along who had been caught committing adultery; and making her stand there in full view of everybody, they said to Jesus, 'Master, this woman was caught in the very act of committing adultery, and Moses has ordered us in the Law to condemn women like this to death by stoning. What have you to say?' They asked him this as a test, looking for something to use against him. But Jesus bent down and started writing on the ground with his finger. As they persisted with their question, he looked up and said, 'If there is one of you who has not sinned, let him be the first to throw a stone at her.'

Then he bent down and wrote on the ground again. When they heard this they went away one by one, beginning with the eldest, until Jesus was left alone with the woman, who remained standing there. He looked up and said, 'Woman, where are they? Has no one condemned you?' 'No one, sir' she replied. 'Neither do I condemn you,' said Jesus 'go away, and do not sin any more.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

APOSTLES' CREED

**I believe in God,
the Father Almighty,
Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,
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**

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.

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH: *Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.*

COMMUNION ANTIPHON:

Has no one condemned you, woman? No one, Lord. Neither shall I condemn you. From now on, sin no more.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

A DAY WITH JESUS

Next one is on this SATURDAY 9th April starting at 9.15am with MORNING PRAYER, adoration, devotions, talk, confessions, and a SPECIAL MASS at 11am followed



by anointing of the sick and prayer over people. It is a wonderful opportunity to spend time in prayer and reflection. If you know anyone who is ill in your family or friends please bring them with you.

HOLY WEEK: *Next Sunday is Palm Sunday*, we begin Holy Week. So let us continue to prepare with our spiritual programmes, fasting and abstinence. If you haven't thought about seriously about the lent, it is time now to start preparing in the coming DAYS. May be attending Mass everyday or saying the morning & evening prayer or praying Station of the Cross, attending the **Parish Retreat on 11-13 April.**

PARISH LENT FAST DAY: *Is on this Friday 1st April.* Thank you to all for joining the parish with our Lenten observance of Almsgiving by keeping a Day of Fasting on Friday, 1st April. We will collect whatever money we saved of our fasting this weekend and give it to the poor and needy.

PASSION PLAY : Parish continue to pray and offer our support to our young people who are making the final preparations for the Play. **Dates:** Next Sunday on Palm Sunday 10th April at 7.30pm & Good Friday 15 April at 7.30pm. Food and refreshments are available on Sunday 10th and Soup & bread on Good Friday, 15th April.

ST BONIFACE SOCIAL GROUP: Will organise the food and soup for the Passion Play on 10th & 15th of April.

HOLY HOUR IN LENT: In Lent there will be Holy Hour every Friday from 5.15pm to 6.15pm starting from Friday 4th March.

MORNING PRAYER IN LENT: At 9.05am Monday to Saturday

ROSARY IN LENT: Monday– Saturday after morning Mass & on Sunday 20 minutes before Masses.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Please come and pray STATION OF THE CROSS on every Friday in Lent 10am & 7pm in the Church. Friday 7pm by Some of the Parish Evangelisation groups: *1st April –Spirituality Group and 8th April– Intellectual Formation group & Marriage & Family Life.*

LENT RETREAT: *Parish will have a lent retreat on 11th, 12th & 13th April 6pm –8pm.*

HOLY WEEK CELEBRATIONS: *Please collect a Holy Week card from the Porch. Information about all the services from Palm Sunday to Divine Mercy Sunday is in it.*

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY: *Is on Sunday 24th April. Besides all regular weekend masses, the Divine mercy special devotions & confessions starts from 2pm and Mass at 3pm.*



PARISH EVANGELISATION PROGRAMME: Thank you very much for your support for Intellectual Formation Group who made their presentation last weekend and thank you to the intellectual formation group. This weekend, Parish Catechesis Group will make their presentation and Parish Groups/Organisation Team will make their presentation on 23/24 April.

PARISH EVANGELISATION MEETING: All members of the Evangelisation groups will meet on this Wednesday 6th April at 7pm in the hall.

NEW READERS ROTA: *Please collect them from the notice board.*

TEA/COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES: Will resume from Sunday 24th April. Please join for a Cup of Tea/ Coffee after the Sunday morning masses. It is an opportunity to meet other members of the parish family

CONTACTLESS OFFERINGS & GIFT AID: You can Gift Aid all the offering you make by card. If you wish to use your card for your offering/ donation, please follow the instructions at the terminals.

HALL BOOKINGS: Please call 0208 672 2345 opt 1, Mobile 07456 514037 Hall queries only. Follow us online @stbonifacehall

RECENTLY DIED: *Elizabeth McNamara funeral is on Wednesday 6th April at 11:30am, Barrie Ellis-Daley funeral is on 12th April at 12:30pm, Myles Shanahan funeral is on Thursday 14th April at 10:10. May they rest in peace!*

FOR YOUR DIARY

PASSION PLAY: *Sunday 10th April & Good Friday 15th April at 7.30pm in the Hall.*

PARISH ALTAR SERVERS & YOUTH DAY: *Saturday 23rd April 5pm.*

PASSION PLAY REHEARSALS: *Sundays 11am-1pm.*

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: *Next Session-Saturday 30th April at 10:15am in the Church.*

YOUNG PEOPLES CONFIRMATION: *Next Session-Saturday 23rd April. At 11:15am in the Parish Hall.*

YOUTH CHOIR PRACTISE: *Saturdays at 4pm. Youth Choir will sing at 9am Mass on every other Sundays.*

SUNDAY CATECHISM FOR CHILDREN: *At 10:30am Mass.*

BIBLE STUDY CLASSES: *Thursdays at 7.15pm in the Café.*

CONFESSIONS: *Saturdays 10.30am-11.30am & 5.45pm-6.15pm*

50PLUS CLUB: *Mondays from 12:30-2.30pm in the Café. All are welcome.*

PADRE PIO GROUP: *1st and 4th Monday of month after evening Mass.*

ROSARY GROUP: *Wednesdays after evening Mass.*

LEGION OF MARY: *Thursdays every week after evening Mass.*

CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: *Tuesdays after 6.30pm mass*

PARISH OPEN HOUSE: *Fridays 4-6pm.*

LIVE STREAMING OF MASS: *9.30am on Mon-Sat and Sun at 12:00.*

TO BAPTISE A BABY: Please discuss with a priest during Parish Open House which is every Friday 4pm – 6pm in the Parish Office.

NEXT BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSE: Is on this Monday 25th April at 7.15pm in the Presbytery.

NEED TO SEE A PRIEST: If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or wedding or a private matter, please come to the Parish Open House on FRIDAYS. No appointment needed.

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 Mark Higgins, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

For all those who are celebrating their birthday this week the Parish wishes you a Happy Birthday and we join you to give thanks to God for the wonderful gift of life to you & you a special gift to us. The Parish also wishes every blessing to all the couples who are celebrating their wedding anniversary this week.



PARISH PRAYER LIST

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

The Sick: John McGrath, Carmel Sammonds, Pat Nolan, Norah Bolger, Anne Scanlon, Fortunata D’Souza, Nigel Searle, Fernando, Michael Andrade, Anastasia Ogbonna, Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Nino Abel, Albert Folvi, Marciana Tangcay, Geoff Blwyddin, Christina Grogan, Matilda Addison, Elizabeth Bosley, Frances Brady, Maureen Connelly, Paric Burke, Eli Lee Roberts, Daniel Bird, Shireen Doyle, Mark Sharkey, Tess Hill, Sheena Tighe, Carmel Sammons, Margaret Wood, Peter Hardy, Barbara Kelly, Mella Washington, Colleen Bowen, Lorraine, Herman Mendonca, Mario Iyacootee, Benito Fiorelli, Ann Schembri, Brenda Kavanagh & Fiona Hardy

Anniversaries: Christi Lobo, Johanna Collins, Josephine Aidoo, Myrtle Ryan, Mary Buss, George Phelan, Catherine Fox, Browne Robert, Baby Jenoure-Douse, Baby Mary Attard, Joseph Camilleri, Patricia Gurney, Peter O’Brien, Margaret Stevens, Gulab Santani, Mary Hoadley, Charles O’Donovan, Michael Akhtar, Rosemary Mariyanayagam, Hazel Lockwood, Yvonne D’Cruze, Modesto Castillo, Diego Pinto, Maria Philips-Sadler, Simon Prospero, Jean Halford, Cleveland Daley, Lucy Lartey and Philippe Delechat. **May they rest in**

	2nd & 3rd April	9th & 10th April
LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the Rota)		
Sat 18.30	Merichel Austria Altea Cid Altea	Mellesha Hayden Serene Agbagba
09.00	Angel Babu Mary Donoghue	Ada Ikpoh Rufus Bennett
10.30	Elizabeth Gymafi Emily Singh	Rose Adroa Francis Ikpoh
12.00	Anthony Eze Deuwayne Ikpoh	Candice Aruaje Marie Dick
13:15	Pam Fernandes Callum Fernandes	Luiza Lobo Michael Lobo
18:30	Remija Mponzi Bernadette Rose	Ivon Kandiah Raphael Oapa
Cleaning Rota:	Wk1: 4th April @ 10am	Wk2: 11th April @ 7pm

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Thank you for your generosity at last week's collection (£2047.38)
 Bag collection £1,257.38 Card collection: 378.00 & S/O: £412.00



<p><u>Sunday 3rd April ©</u> FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT</p>	<p>09:00 10:30 12:00 13:15 18:30</p>	<p>Brenda Kavanagh Felipe Santos RIP Bridget McGivern Cecil Ruby Emmanuel RIP Mark McCaferty Peggy Sullivan</p>
<p>Monday 4th April Feria</p>	<p>09:30 18:30</p>	<p>Ashleyne Lutchum B/B Agapito Gouveia RIP Rose McDonagh Special Int</p>
<p>Tuesday 5th April Votive St Anthony</p>	<p>09:30 18:30</p>	<p>Fr Shaju & Fr Anthony Ints Colleen Quaranta RIP</p>
<p>Wednesday 6th April Votive St Joseph</p>	<p>09:30 11:30 18:30</p>	<p>Christy Lobo RIP Funeral: Elizabeth McNamara Julie Mulvey</p>
<p>Thursday 7th April Feria</p>	<p>09:30 18:30</p>	<p>Deceased of Eugene Barros Family Davis Adjei RIP/ Kwesi Ofofu RIP</p>
<p>Friday 8th April Feria</p>	<p>09:30 18:30</p>	<p>Andre Mascarenhas RIP/ Ruben Episcopo Maureen Lydon RIP</p>
<p>Saturday 9th April DAY WITH JESUS</p>	<p>11:00 14:00 18:30</p>	<p>Day With Jesus- Pro Populo Memorial Service Christopher Gomes & Christopher Corless Birthday</p>
<p><u>Sunday 10th April ©</u> PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD</p>	<p>09:00 10:30 12:00 13.15 18.30</p>	<p>Daisy Jhugroo & Pierre Numa RIP Dave Duncan George Jhugroo Jamie McGee RIP Kaliya Mayne</p>
<p><u>Monday 4th April</u> Padre Pio Group Cry Chapel 7pm</p> <p><u>Tuesday 5th April</u> Charismatic Prayer Group- Cry Chapel 6.30pm</p> <p><u>Wednesday 6th April</u> Rosary Prayer Group Cry Chapel 7pm</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>Thursday 7th April</u> Knit & Natter Group 3pm Cry Chapel Legion of Mary 7.15pm Cry Chapel Tamil Mass 7.30pm Church</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>Friday 8th April</u> Parish Open House 4-6pm</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>