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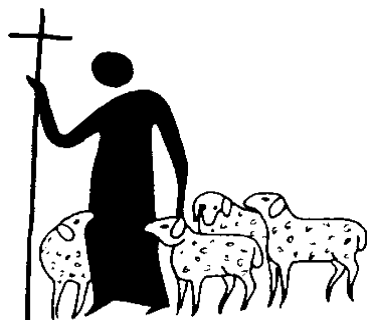
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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (C) SUNDAY 8TH MAY 2022: VOCATION SUNDAY

*The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me. (John 10:27)*



Unlike ordinary sheep, those who belong to the flock of Christ have been promised that they will never be lost. Indeed they are promised the greenest of grass to graze upon: eternal life. To follow Jesus is to lack nothing and to enjoy the fullness of life.

**MONTH OF MAY DEVOTION TO OUR LADY:** 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.



### **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*

## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, 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 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 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 13:14,43-52**

#### **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM 99(100):1-3,5**

*R. We are his people, the sheep of his flock.*

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.

Serve the Lord with gladness.

Come before him, singing for joy. *R*

Know that he, the Lord, is God.

He made us, we belong to him,

we are his people, the sheep of his flock. *R*

Indeed, how good is the Lord,

eternal his merciful love.

He is faithful from age to age. *R*

**SECOND READING**

**Apocalypse 7:9,14-17**

*A reading from the first book of the Apocalypse*

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and my own know me. . Alleluia!*

**GOSPEL**    **JOHN 10:27-30**

**A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John**

Jesus said: 'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me.'

I give them eternal life; they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me. The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father. The Father and I are one.'

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

### 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.**

## **PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION**

**VOCATION SUNDAY:** Is on this Sunday 8th May. It is a day for prayers for vocation and to commit our support to those who are already in formation. There will be a special collection towards the Training of seminarian on this weekend, please collect a donation envelope & information form from the Porch.

**PARISH ALTAR SERVERS & YOUTH DAY:** Is on Sunday 29th May. Mass at 3pm followed by meal & celebrations for them and their families in the hall. Parents are requested to come for a short meeting after 9am Mass on this Sunday 8th May.

**POLISH MASS:** Parish is going to start Mass in Polish language on the first Sunday of the month at 4pm- from Sunday 3rd July. And Mass for **KERALA COMMUNITY** on the third Sunday of the month at 4pm- starting from Sunday 19th June.

# A DAY WITH JESUS

Next one is on NEXT SATURDAY 14th May 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.



## **MONTH OF MAY DEVOTION TO OUR LADY- WAYS TO CELEBRATE:**



**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. Please make an effort to say at least one decade of rosary at home 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 and before evening Mass. **Nine-Day Novena:** Starts after Mass from 23rd MAY. **A Feast Day Mass:** In Honour of Our Lady on 31st MAY.

**ROSARY SUNDAY:** Is on Sunday 22nd May. On this day, Rosary will be prayed 3.45pm to 6.25pm for the parish, our family and the world in different languages from 3.45pm to 6.25pm: In Konkani 3.45pm to 4.05pm, In Tamil 4.05pm to 4.25pm, In Polish from 4.25pm– 4.45pm, In French from 4.45pm-5.05pm, In Malayalam from 5.05pm-5.30pm, Spanish 5.30pm-5.50pm, in Filipino from 5.50pm to 6.10pm and in English at 6.10pm followed by Mass at 6.30pm.

**THANK YOU** *to all who joined for the Procession last Sunday to mark the beginning of the devotion to Our Lady. It was a great witness of our faith. Special thank you to the spiritual formation group and all who worked hard to make it successful.*

**PARISH EVANGELISATION PROGRAMME:** Thank you very much for your tremendous support for our Parish Evangelisation Programme. This weekend, Social Group will make their presentation. And Altar Servers, Youth and 20's & 30's on 14/15 May, Marriage & Family Life, Seniors etc on 21/22 May, -Sick, Housebound, hospital etc on 28/29 May, - Maintenance and Health & Safety on 4/5 June. Communication on 11/12 June.

**YOUTH PROGRAMMES:** Cake sale on Sunday 10th July and a Baking Session on Saturday 9th at 3pm. Cooking Skills on Tuesday 16th August at 4pm. Practical self-defence classes for age group 13-16 years on Saturday 17th September 10am – 11am & 24th September 10am-11am.

**THE SPIRITUAL FORMATION GROUP:** You are invited to a faith-sharing session on Monday 16th May in the coffee shop after evening Mass. This will be an opportunity to meet other parishioners, and to hear more about what a faith-sharing group is and hopes to achieve, and to start a journey of listening to, being inspired by and supporting each others stories of faith.

**SPIRITUAL FORMATION GROUP:** Would like to invite *Spanish, Polish and French* to meet them on Sunday 22nd May after 10:30 am Mass in the main hall.

**SENIORS' DAY:** On Sunday 3rd July with a special Mass at 12:00 followed by a dinner & entertainment in the hall. You will have an opportunity to book a seat for the dinner from 15 May.

**CELEBRATION OF MARRIAGES:** We will have a special Mass on Sunday 12th of June 12:00 to celebrate Marriages. You will have an opportunity to renew your Marriage Vows during the Mass. You are most welcome to invite your family and friends to this special occasion.



**TEA/COFFEE AFTER SUNDAY MASSES:** 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.

### **FOR YOUR DIARY**

**PARISH ALTAR SERVERS & YOUTH DAY:** *Sunday 29th May 3pm.*

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** *Next Session-Saturday 14th May at 10:15am in the Main Hall for their Passover Meal.*

**YOUNG PEOPLES CONFIRMATION:** *Next Session-Saturday 14th May. At 11:15am in the Café Area.*

**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 Monday 30th May 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:** Paul Schembri, Marie Bleach, Bridget Moran, Michael Devlin, Martin Walsh, Michael Thornton, Frederick Stone, Donal Sullivan, Annie Nordon, Bridget MacAndrew, Zoltan Szabo, Martin Mullen, Maria Zlataric, Francis Bastian, James Lyons, Patrick Connolly, Mary Coull, Martha Fernandes, Christine Fagardo, Kenneth Rohan, Marguerite Migale, Norris James & Camilla Prosper. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	7th & 8th May	14th & 15th May
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the Rota)	
Sat 18.30	Mathew D'Souza Lucinda D'Souza	Chezka Mary Altea Chezter Marc Altea
09.00	Katherine Bennett Philip Bennett	Sharon Wrightman Christi Anoop
10.30	Adela Vianello Sandra Brekalo	Elizabeth Gyamfi Emily Singh
12.00	Keoni McGowan Charmaine Feranandes	Doris Cubero Stephen Callus
13:15	Pam Fernandes Caroline Rapu	Ian Johnston Chisom Aghaji
18:30	Philomena Moffat Emie Roberts	Padraig Cronin Susan Daniel
Cleaning Rota:	Wk2: 9th May @ 7pm	Wk3: 16th May @ 10am

## **OFFERTORY COLLECTION**

Thank you for your generosity at last week's collection £2084.18  
Box collection £1208.18, Card collection: 425.00 & S/O: 451.00



<p><b><u>Sunday 8th May ©</u></b> <b>FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER VOCATION SUNDAY</b></p>	<p>09:00 Ouseph, Devassykutty &amp; Rosa 10:30 Mallie Rafferty RIP/ Hertrodes Negrite 12:00 Jerome Christy &amp; Agnes Lobo 13.15 Laila Walsh Thanksgiving 18.30 Theresa Kelly</p>
<p>Monday 9th May <b>Feria</b></p>	<p>09:30 Denis &amp; Bernadine Fernandes Wedding Anniversary 18:30 Patrick Higgins</p>
<p>Tuesday 10th May <b>Votive of St Anthony</b></p>	<p>09:30 Daisy Jhugroo &amp; Pierre Numa RIP <b>12:30 Funeral: Neville Laidlow</b> 18:30 Myles Shanahan RIP</p>
<p>Wednesday 11th May <b>Votive of St Joseph</b></p>	<p>09:30 Bridie Harkin 18:30 November Altar List</p>
<p>Thursday 12th May <b>Saints Nereus &amp; Achilleus</b></p>	<p>09:30 Mary Deere Campbell RIP 18:30 Sophie Anoop</p>
<p>Friday 13th May <b>Our Lady of Fatima</b></p>	<p>09:30 Bonifacio Orenzo RIP/ Josephina Joseph 18:30 George Higgins &amp; Holy Souls in Purgatory</p>
<p>Saturday 14th May <b>Saint Matthias</b></p>	<p>09:30 Patrick &amp; Catherine Arnold RIP 18:30 Lydia Sanglay RIP &amp; The Froget Family</p>
<p><b><u>Sunday 15th May ©</u></b> <b>FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</b></p>	<p>09:00 Porinchu, Rosa &amp; Kochumariyam RIP 10:30 Intention of Josephine 12:00 Gilbert Uzodike RIP 13.15 Bridgeteen Mcdonagh Ints 18.30 Tara McDonnell Ints</p>

<p><b><u>Monday 9th May</u></b> Padre Pio Group Cry Chapel 7pm</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday 10th May</u></b> Charismatic Prayer Group- Cry Chapel 6.30pm</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday 11th May</u></b> Rosary Prayer Group Cry Chapel 7pm</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday 12th May</u></b> <b>Knit &amp; Natter Group</b> 3pm Cry Chapel</p> <p><b>Legion of Mary</b> 7.15pm Cry Chapel</p> <p><b>Tamil Mass</b> 7.30pm Church</p> <p><b><u>Friday 13th May</u></b> Parish Open House 4-6pm</p>
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<p><b>Adoration &amp; Morning Prayer</b> Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday 5.15pm – 6.15 pm</p>	<p><b>Novena to St Anthony</b> Tuesday: 10am <b>Divine Mercy Chaplet</b> Friday: 10am</p>	<p><b>Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour</b> Saturday: 10am</p>
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