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Fifth Sunday of Easter - 10th May 2020

A spiritual check-up

After seven weeks of lockdown we can ask, 'what has changed in the life of our parish?' The simple answer is - a lot has changed. In these past weeks we have learnt so much. As your Priest I am so proud of all the effort and support from the people of the parish. Some excellent things are happening: the live stream Sunday Mass and the Triduum, the superb Children's Liturgy of the Word, the Zoom 'coffee morning', the May Crowning of Our Lady led artistically by the children, the emails and communication to support the vulnerable members, and an encouraging number of people praying with me at the daily Mass and the holy Rosary on Facebook.

I am also grateful for all the jobs people have undertaken in our parish to keep this place running. Thank you, and you are appreciated as I am now having to contend with a lot of this by myself. We have kept Margo, our Office Manager from being furloughed, as there is still so much to do. Please keep your donations coming in, for without them the parish will struggle in the long term. I know money is an issue, but please continue sending in Mass Intentions so that we can continue to commend our loved ones to the Lord in the greatest prayer that we have, the Sacrifice of the Mass.

Our YouTube channel is exciting. To coin a phrase, 'please like, subscribe and turn on the notifications'. People are already using the term 'a new church', but the Church we have I am happy with. That does not mean we should not be looking, learning, and seeking new ways of bringing people to Christ, especially in times of hardship that people find themselves in. For this is the apostolate of the baptised.

Does Holy Church change? No, at its core the Church always remains the Body of Christ founded on apostolic teaching, handed on to each and every generation. However, as Jesus says, "we bring out from the Treasury things that are old and new" to express in each age the 'good news of salvation'. The tools for Evangelisation are not the same today as they were 500 years ago, and although the teachings, doctrines and truths of the faith do not change, we always look for new ways to express them. In this digital age, the internet especially has helped us to bring God into our homes, truly rekindling the 'domestic Church'. Our mission is to listen to the 'signs of the times' and see in a new way that the people we serve do not always relate to the "very heart of the Gospel which gives it meaning, beauty and attractiveness" (Evangelii Gaudium 34). So we have to consider our participation in the life of the parish now and after lockdown, taking nothing for granted, ready and willing to do everything we can for the greater glory of God, with a renewed joy in the building up of the kingdom of heaven.

Through Jesus and Mary,Fr Gerard

Domestic Abuse - We have been reminded by the Diocesan Safeguarding Team of what you should do if you are suffering domestic abuse, particularly in these exceptional times.

- If you are in immediate danger, call 999 and ask for the Police.
- If you are in danger and unable to talk on the phone, call 999 and listen to the questions from the operator and if possible, respond by coughing or tapping the head set. If prompted, press 55 to Make Yourself Heard and this will transfer your call to the Police. (NB Pressing 55 only works on mobiles and does not allow Police to track your location.) When 999 calls are made from landlines, information about your location should be automatically available to the call handlers to help provide a response.

Freephone National Domestic Abuse Helpline, run by Refuge 0808 200 0247 www.nationaldahelpline.org.uk
Men's Advice Line 0808 801 0327 www.mensadvice.org.uk

Dates for your Diary

Monday 11th, Wednesday 13th, Friday 15th - Rosary and Adoration at 8.00pm
Sunday - Vespers and Benediction at 5.00pm

Please pray the Rosary every night at 8.00pm and it's on live stream on the days above.

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

Father Gerard will be saying all the Masses with their Intentions on Sundays and weekdays.
Parishioners will be able to watch on the live stream through YouTube or Facebook.

Fifth Sunday of Easter - 10th May 2020 - Year A

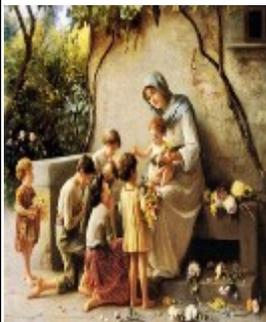
Sun 10	8.00am	Latin Mass	People of the Parish
	10.00am	Morning Mass	Kevin Okane RIP
Mon 11	11.00am	Monday after 5th Sunday of Easter	Johannes Van Giersbergen RIP
Tue 12	No Mass	St Pancras, Martyr	****
Wed 13	11.00am	Our Lady of Fatima	Mona & Derek Grayson RIP
Thu 14	7.30pm	St Matthias, Apostle - Latin Mass	Jim Knight RIP
Fri 15	11.00am	Friday after 5th Sunday of Easter	Peggy Somers-Neal RIP
Sat 16	11.00am	Saturday after 5th Sunday of Easter	Janette & Jack Smith RIP

Sixth Sunday of Easter - 17th May 2020 - Year A

Sun 17	8.00am	Latin Mass	Robert Omasta RIP
	10.00am	Morning Mass	People of the parish

Mass Intentions available for the months of May and June. This can be done via email to knaphill@abdiocese.org.uk or leave a message on the Office phone 01483 472404 and we can call you back, if required. Stipends/Donations for Father can be forwarded at later date. Thank you

Offertory Collection for last week: Standing Orders £588.33 which was Gift Aided. Many Thanks.



THE REGINA COELI

Queen of Heaven rejoice, alleluia:
For He Whom you did merit to bear, alleluia,
Has risen as He said, alleluia. Pray for us to God, alleluia.
Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia.
For the Lord has truly risen, alleluia.

Let us pray. O God, Who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.