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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A 10th May 2020

Dear Parishioners,

'Christ is our Way, Truth and Life. We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God. God has poured out all these gifts on us through the Holy Spirit. We are to devote ourselves to proclaiming God's Word revealed in Christ, and to trust that Christ always has a special love and care for us.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.

The Archbishop has drawn our attention to a renewal movement for parishes called 'Divine Renovation'. If you would like to see more please visit: <https://divinerenovation.org> You may also be interested in another of its links which is entitled 'Engaging Seekers, Reaching the Unchurched'. This is being shown on Thursday 10th May between 2pm-3pm and may be found on the following link: <https://divinerenovationuk.churchsuite.co.uk/events/zg7s4qrj> Finally, a third event is being shown entitled 'Divine Renovation from Square 1' on Tuesday 19th May, 11am-12pm and may be found on <https://divinerenovationuk.churchsuite.co.uk/events/fh5q6bg9>

Do please take an interest in these showings and we might share what we have found helpful.

Father Dominic writes: 'The Archbishop in part of an email to me wrote: 'Please pass on my very best wishes to everyone at St Augustine's and know that you are in my prayers as Eastertide unfolds.' I am sure that you will keep the Archbishop and all our Bishops in your prayers as they prepare us for the gradual re-opening of our Churches and for the celebration of the Eucharist. Father Paul, Deacon Kevin and I continue to keep you all in our prayers and remain very grateful for yours.'

Recently our Evangelisation members met by Skype and we wondered **if any of our young parents** would like to participate in a prayer time through social media? We also thought of forming a group for reflection and discussion on Scripture. If you are interested please would you let Father Dominic or Deacon Kevin know.

If you do not have the Internet you may wish to listen to Mass on the phone from Middlesborough Cathedral. **Tel: 01642 130120**

Prayerful congratulations to Mrs Mary Ryan who was 90 years of age on Friday 8th May.

Please remember in your prayers Father Andrew who is unwell at the present time, not because of the Coronavirus, but as a result of a change in his medication.

We appreciate that some of you may be struggling financially. If, however you are in a position to continue your Sunday Offerings you may wish to consider having a Standing Order and if you are able to Gift Aid. Forms may be down loaded from the Diocesan website or if requested we can send you a Standing Order Gift Aid and Form.

<p>9th May Saturday</p>	<p>Acts 13:44-52 John 14:7-14 Mrs Lavery-RIP Charles Cassidy-RIP</p>	
<p>10th May FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER</p>	<p>Acts 6:1-7 1 Peter 2:4-9 John 14:1-12 Sue Lee-Intentions Peter Tickell-Intentions</p>	
<p>11th May Monday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 14:5-60 John 14:21-26 Patricia Mann & Paul Mann-Intentions Brian-RIP</p>	
<p>12th May Tuesday Easter Feria Ss Nereus and Achilleus/ St Pancras</p>	<p>Acts 14:19-28 John 14:27-31 Bishop Leo McCartie-RIP Annette and Franc Kelly and family-Intentions</p>	
<p>13th May Wednesday Easter Feria Our Lady of Fatima</p>	<p>Acts 15:1-6 John 15:1-8 Finbarr Byrne-RIP Phyllis McDonald-RIP</p>	
<p>14th May Thursday FEAST St Matthias</p>	<p>Acts 1:15-17,20-26 John 15:9-17 Miss Melissa Doherty Richard Tickell-RIP</p>	
<p>15th May Friday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 15:22-31 John 15:12-17 Father Andy Kenny-RIP Eric Cowhig-RIP</p>	
<p>16th May Saturday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 16:1-10 John 15:18-21 Mr James & Mrs Anne Hollywood-RIP Nan Monaghan-RIP</p>	
<p>17th May Sixth Sunday of Easter</p>	<p>Acts 8:5-8,14-17 1Peter 3:15-18 John 14:15-21 All People of the Parish Tony, Eilish Duffy & Family-Intentions</p>	

We received a beautiful card through our letterbox today from the children of our key-workers who are at St Augustine's School. It had all the colours of the rainbow. Our sincere thanks to our parents and to our School Staff, to our Head teacher and deputy Head, for your commitment to the children at this time.

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twainoneflesh.org.uk Fifth Sunday of Easter (Acts 6:1-7 1 Peter 2:4-9 John 14:1-12) I am in you and you are in me Jesus says, "To have seen me is to have seen the Father". In our married life, through the visible sign of the way we love each other, when people meet one of us we can be a sign that 'when seeing me, you see the one I love, in me and with me', thus emulating Jesus' relationship with His Father

Letter of the Holy Father to the Faithful for the Month of May 2020 -- The Holy Rosary The month of May is approaching, a time when the People of God express with particular intensity their love and devotion for the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is traditional in this month to pray the Rosary at home within the family. The restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appreciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view. For this reason, I want to encourage everyone to rediscover the beauty of praying the Rosary at home in the month of May. It is easy also on the internet I am also including a prayer to Our Lady that you can recite at the end of the Rosary. *O Mary, You shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith. "Protectress of the Roman people", you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the cross, to the joy of the Resurrection. Amen. We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; Do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O Glorious and Blessed Virgin*

CAFOD We are facing an unprecedented emergency in every country we work in; and we are also mindful, each day, of people in our own Catholic community here in England and Wales who are unable to attend Mass; people worried and overstretched; of those who have tragically lost loved ones, and of those who were already enduring loneliness and are now in isolation. We need to respond in faith, hope and love. And so in faith, hope and love, we are reaching out to you. We know all too well that things are far from straightforward in all our parishes right now. We, as a global family, have never faced a crisis of this magnitude –in our own communities, and those communities CAFOD works with. But the scale is unimaginable in the most vulnerable communities of our world, and so as of today, we are [appealing for support for our emergency response](#). Those communities with nothing, who have everything stacked against them, - our brothers and sisters - have never needed your love and support so much.

cafod.org.uk/parishes has a **two-minute video message from me about the appeal**

FRIENDS OF THE HOLY LAND - A MESSAGE FROM YOUR LOCAL CHAIRMAN Due to Covid-19, we cannot hold the fund raising events that many of you have supported. Meanwhile, the impact of the virus on Christians in the Holy Land is devastating as so many rely on the income from pilgrimages and tourists. The Charity has launched the FHL Pentecost Challenge to raise funds before Pentecost on 31 May. Three long standing supporters have pledged to match fund the first £100,000, so every £1 you donate will have the impact of £2. Please donate at <http://www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost-challenge>> www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost-challenge and please be generous, recognising what you might have donated in better times from attending our events.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Keith Frettsome	Martin Yates	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy	Martha Sheridan
Joan Kennedy	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole Sue Hodrien
Trevor Windle	Colette Hickey	Danny Meadows	Kathleen Beale	Anne (Eithne) O'Sullivan
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Sue Lee		

Prayer to Our Lady of Fatima

Dearest Mother, Queen of the Holy Rosary, who came to Fatima to reveal to all mankind the Divine plan for true Christian peace, of prayer, penance, and consecration, grant an abundance of grace, strength, and guidance to the members of Thy Fatima Crusade, here present and throughout the world.

Inspire us to great zeal, oh great Mediatrix of All Graces, that we may be effective instruments in spreading devotion to Thy Rosary; that we may be faithful in wearing Thy scapular; that we may inspire our brothers in Christ to a life of sacrifice, penance, and modesty, and finally, that we may help to bring about that wonderful day when all men, through consecration to Thy Immaculate Heart, shall be one in Christ. Amen



CHRISTIAN AID WEEK; We are missing out on this annual house collection which brings in a huge amount of money. The Solihull Churches have set up a Just Giving Page which is <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/Solihull-Churches-Christian-Aid-Group> Christian Aid Week 10-16 May is online with daily prayers and reflections, daily quizzes for the family. Click on virtual fundraisers

Please pray for: Karen Stoakes (Tuesday 19th May Robin Hood, 11am) Thomas Michael Hughes (26th May 10am, Robin Hood), Bishop Leo McCartie, (12th May) Father Andy Kenny, (15th May) Father Tim Bourke, Patrick (Pat) Byrne, William (Bill) Byrne (22nd May 10am Robin Hood), Neil Robberds and Valerie Shepperd, who died recently.

Also Mary Walton, Leslie Docker, Jocelyn Clare Hawker, Sheila Ann Callaghan, Margaret Danks, Annie & Robert Danks, Francis McKeown, Kathleen Veronica (Vera) Manton, Joseph Cassidy, Josephine Walker, Jennifer Doyle, Andrew Henry Robert Browne, Kathleen Mary Hemming, James Joseph Owens, Mary Mitchell, Pauline Marie Callaghan, Thomas Joseph Kellett and all with anniversaries at this time.

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