



THE PARISH OF ALL SAINTS,
NORTH HILLINGDON UB10 9BT

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~SERVING THE LOCAL
COMMUNITY~

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER
(YEAR C)

8 MAY 2022

lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God for ever and ever. **AMEN.**

TO-DAY'S SCRIPTURE READINGS

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles (13:14 & 43-52): *We must turn to the pagans.*

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 Response in the Psalm (99/100) is: We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

A reading from the Book of the Apocalypse (7:9 & 14-17): *The Lamb will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water.*

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

Welcome to All Saints', on the fourth Sunday of Easter. With *Covid-19* still lurking about and sometimes even striking at will, we still need, please, to take care of ourselves and of everyone else:

- a) Use the hand-sanitiser on entering and leaving All Saints'.
- b) *Face-coverings are not mandatory, but if you wish to continue to wear a face-covering in church, we are all entirely happy about that. What matters is that you are here at All Saints'.*
- c) *Leave a gap between your neighbour by sitting on your own or with members of your household, especially now that the chairs have been returned to their pre-pandemic places.*
- d) *Sing in a normal conversational tone, not in a loud voice.*
- e) *Remember that, if you have tested positive for Covid-19, you need to check the Government guidelines to be sure about what to do next.*



Reflection for to-day: To-day is traditionally known as *Good Shepherd Sunday* and is part of the continuing journey of Easter. We remember that Jesus is the Good Shepherd, who both gives his life for his sheep and takes it up again. His relationship with us, after the resurrection, is closer than we can imagine: through his dying and rising, Jesus fulfils the promise he makes in to-day's Gospel: 'I give them eternal life and they will never be lost.' This Sunday is another opportunity for us to consider the consequences of the Resurrection and how we live the Easter Story in our daily lives, not just in the coming week, but every week of our life.

HYMNS AT 10 O'CLOCK (NEH)

Procession:	374
Offertory:	390
Communion:	282
Communions:	77
Recessional:	463



Introit: The earth is full of the goodness of the Lord; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Collect: Let us pray (*that Christ, our shepherd will lead us through the difficulties of this life*): Almighty and ever-living God, give us new strength for the courage of Christ our shepherd and lead us to join the saints in heaven, where he

them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

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

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John (10:27-30): *I give eternal life to the sheep that belong to me.*

'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.'



AT THE INTERCESSIONS

Intercessor: Good shepherd, guide us:

All: and help us always.

THIS WEEK'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

We pray for our parish and for its needs; for local young people in education or training; for the work of *Alcoholics Anonymous* in Hillingdon; for tradesmen and women in our parish; for members of the Armed Forces stationed in Uxbridge; for an early end to war in the Ukraine and for all currently caught up in it.

We commend to God our Father:

those who are ill or in any kind of trouble or need, especially: Mike Allen, Macey Ann Brazil, Helen Dey, Bill Grant, the Hooker family, Zachary Horne, Mike & Evelyn Kirby, Brian Measures, Hazel Parris, Helen Parris, Steven Patrick, Irene Wilkinson.

those whose anniversary falls at about this time: John Alfred Beavington, Daisy Fallowell, Frances Mosby, Julian Monk, Michael John Roe, Betty Edith Smith, Belle Topley. **May they rest in peace and rise in glory!**

We commend all that we have just prayed for, our families, our friends and those we love to the intercession of Mary (*Mother of Jesus*), S Joseph (*her spouse*), S Matthias, S Pancras & all the saints: **Hail Mary,...**

FATHER DESMOND'S NOTES THIS WEEK

1. For the time being, please continue to **volunteer** to help with the cleaning; *it is very important that the cleaning be done at the end of our time together in church.*
2. Sadly, last week-end's *Quiz Night* had to be cancelled (at short notice), because of illness. We are planning to re-schedule it very soon, so please watch this space.

3. Please come across to the Hall for refreshment and fellowship after this morning's 10 o'clock Parish Eucharist. It would be good to see you.

4. The May edition of *Saints Alive!* makes its appearance to-day. Please make sure you get your copy. Thank you once again to those who deliver the Magazine to addresses in the parish. *We need some new items for the June edition, please. These are due in by no later than Monday, 23 May.*



5. Tuesday, 10/5; 1930: PCC Meeting via Zoom
6. **The Eucharist this week @ASH:**
 - a. Wednesday, 11/5; 1000: Weekday of Easter
 - b. Thursday, 12/5; 1830: S Pancras, *Christian convert, martyred at Rome: cAD304.*

7. Friday, 13/5; 1400: *Songs of Praise Service* at Ryefield Court UB10 9DE

8. **Next Sunday, 15/5: Easter V & our 'Third' Sunday**

- a. 0800: Said Eucharist
- b. 1000: Sung Parish Eucharist

9. As previously announced the next Saturday morning Vestry Hour takes place on 21/5. If this causes difficulty for you, please telephone the Vicarage to arrange an alternative time.



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*To enquire about **Banns of Marriage, Weddings, Baptisms** or other items of **parish business**, please come along to Vestry Hour on Saturday morning from 0930. No appointment is needed.*

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