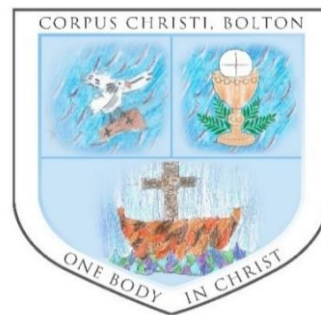


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9 May 2021

Sixth Week of Easter



A New Commandment

The disciples sat at the table and Jesus began to speak, His words entered into their hearts and there they found the strength to carry them through the days ahead and the courage to begin a mission which would change the world.



I sat and listened as He spoke, and each word touched my heart, He said, we could remain in Him, and we would never, be apart.

That "As the Father has loved me, so, I have loved you, too",
And "If you keep to the path I take, I will always stand by you".

He held me, in that gaze of love, and I felt my fears subside.

As all my worries flowed away, my shame, and stubborn pride.

He said "I have told you this, so that my joy may be in you,
and your joy will be complete for my love will see you through".

A Man can have no greater love than to risk all for His friend,
and I knew, deep, deep, within, that His love will have no end.

That I am not a servant, I know the way that leads me on.

I am loved, and I am chosen, adopted as the Father's son.

So this then is the promise, the gift the Father gives
That love be shared, that prayers are heard and that our Saviour lives. *David Frank*

Activities this Week

Sunday Cycle B; Weekday Cycle 1

Divine Office Week 2

Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1

John 4: 7-10

John 15: 9-17

Sunday 9 May

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11am Mass (SB)

Monday 10 May

7pm Mass (SJ)

Tuesday 11 May

9.30am Mass (SB)

Wednesday 12 May

9am Exposition & Adoration (SJ)

9.30am Mass (SJ)



Thursday 13 May - *The Ascension of the Lord*

9.30am Mass (SB)

6pm Mass (SJ)

Friday 14 May - *St Matthias*

No Mass Today

6.30pm CAFOD is holding a special online Mass at to pray for the people of India. You can register here:

bigmarker.com/cafod/India-Emergency

Saturday 15 May

11am Exposition & Adoration followed by Benediction (SJ)

11.30am Mass (SJ)

5pm Mass (SB) *A Special Collection for the*

Sunday 16 May *Catholic Communications Network*

9.30am Mass (SJ)

11am Mass (SB)

Weekly Eco Thought



On Thursday of this week, we will celebrate the Ascension of the Lord. Notice Jesus' parting words, as recounted by Mark; 'proclaim the Good News to all creation.' What is the Good News we bring to creation?

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We pray for all the sick and housebound in our parish, and other relatives and friends: Jackie Harte, Moya Fau-Goodwin, Anne Hurst, Margaret Padfield, Anne Killeen, Fred & Joyce Heywood, Emily Martin, Barbara Pearl, Terence Gillett, Pat Margiotta, Mary Bagg, Vernon Holt

Lately Dead: Eric Moore, Andy Towler, Veronica Holstead, Colette Fernandez, Eleanor Bennett, Russ Carter, William Burke,

Anniversaries: Fr Peter Gooden, Colin Spragg
May They Rest in Peace

Mass Intentions: Eric Moore, A special Intention, Russ Carter, Veronica Holstead, Fr Peter Gooden, Colin Spragg

We continue to pray for victims of coronavirus, especially the current crisis in India. We thank all those who are still working tirelessly to keep us safe.

Cycle of Prayer Part 4 (of 6): We pray especially for: new members of the Church; vocations; the right use of the media; the Church; human work.

Hope in the Future

Let us pray this week for the people of the parish of St Marie, Haslingden, for Fr Martin Broadley, their parish priest, and for their primary schools. May the joy of the Risen Jesus be in them and be a visible sign for the world

Offertory

We are always extremely grateful for all you do to help us financially. Donations can be made by posting through the presbytery letter box, by post or alternatively donations can be made through Salford Diocese website, or by setting up a bank standing order. Thank you

Cheques: Please make all cheques payable to *Corpus Christi*. Thank you

Prayer Resource - For those at home the Liturgy Office has prepared a service called "*The Lord's Day at Home*", that you can pray on your own or with your family. [LDAH - Ascension](#) [LDAH - Easter 6B](#)

Let us Dream - Easter Reflections: [You can find the reflections by clicking here.](#)

Walsingham's May Rosary: The designated Rosary Hour for the Diocese of Salford for the National Rosary Relay Rally on Sunday 30 May is from 1pm to 2pm. All are welcome to join along in prayer.

<https://www.walsingham.org.uk/event/shrine-to-launch-rosary-stronghold-mission/>

Young Adults - An Evening with Austen Ivereigh: Thursday 13 May (7pm-9pm). To listen to the invitation on YouTube, please click on the link:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HZT4nZcd1yE>. or email: formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk



As coronavirus brings devastation across India, CAFOD is working with experienced local Church agency, Caritas India, to provide vital support to poor and marginalised communities. Donations to CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal will help Caritas India distribute PPE kits to frontline health workers, promote COVID & vaccine awareness campaigns, and set up safely run isolation & quarantine centres. You can donate online here: cafod.org.uk/give. Please keep praying for the people of India and all those affected by the pandemic.

The God who Speaks through Mark

As we return to Ordinary Time after Pentecost, the Department for Formation is pleased to offer four online evenings on the Gospel according to Mark.

Wednesday 26 May - Mark Time - some of the main themes and ideas to look out for in our Sunday Gospels over the coming weeks and months (with Fr Christopher Lough)

Wednesday 2 June - The Humanity of Jesus in Mark (with Fr Eamonn Mulcahy CSSp)

Wednesday 9 June - The Disciples in Mark (with Fr Michael Deas).

Wednesday 16 June - The Little People in Mark (with Fr Michael Winstanley SDB)

Each presentation will be from 7pm-8.30pm allowing time for discussion and questions. They are free of charge. To reserve a place on one or all the evenings and to receive the Zoom link in advance, please email

formation@dioceseofsalford.org.uk

Reopening of Christian Heritage Centre:

Theodore House, on the Stonyhurst estate, will be reopening from 11 June, and welcoming groups from 21 June (in line with Government de-restrictions). A spacious and comfortable venue for retreats, away-days and conferences for any parish or diocesan group, and with access to St Peter's church. For more information, please visit

<https://www.theodorehouse.com/>

or bookings@christianheritagecentre.com

Vacancies

Diocese of Salford: Are currently recruiting for a Communications Officer. Please see the link below to find out more.

<https://www.dioceseofsalford.org.uk/news/vacancies/>

Caritas: Caritas is recruiting for the following. Please click on each job title for further information

1. Director

2. Bank Support Worker (Morning Star)

3. Social Workers (Caritas Schools' Service)

To apply please visit:

<https://www.caritassalford.org.uk/careers/>