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THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF OUR LADY

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are all available on request if you need them

FOURTH WEEK OF EASTER – MARY'S MONTH OF MAY (A Psalter 4)

ALL CHURCHES ARE NECESSARILY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

In PENZANCE I offer a Private Mass each morning at
8.30 a.m. Sundays at 11 a.m.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER:

Mass intentions this week

3rd Fourth Sunday of Easter 11 am *Parish and People*

4th Monday 8.30a.m. The English Martyrs

Justin Mulholland RIP

5th Tuesday 8.30 a.m. St Richard Reynolds

Maria Blewett RIP

6th Wednesday 8.30 a.m.

Sister Benignus

7th Thursday 8.30 a.m.

Terry Newman RIP

8th Friday 8.30 a.m. V.E. 75th Anniversary Day

Frederick Eddy Olds RIP

9th Saturday 8.30 a.m.

Muriel Kathleen Vassallo RIP

10th FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 11.00 a.m.

Parish and People

It is a great privilege for a priest to be able to offer the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass daily, and you can all seek the fruits of the Sacrifice of the Mass through a spiritual communion, using the prayer below This reminds us that Jesus does not abandon His people, but draws near, indeed comes into the heart of each one, if we turn to him.

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if you were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

My dear People,

This Sunday, the Fourth of Easter, is always known as Good Shepherd Sunday, and is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations. There is much more about this below from Fr Ralph Candy. The Lord never leaves his flock untended, but we will always need the leadership of people who make commitment to Christ and his gospel as their way of life. In a very special way, priests are called to be the mediators who bring people to God and bring God to the people. Through the liturgical action of the Church they act as 'stewards entrusted with the mysteries of God.' (1 Cor 4:1) A vocation to the religious life is a call to commit oneself to the service of God and the Church through the profession of a gospel-based way of life. We all know the very uncertain and changing times/era we are in need people of prayer. D please pray for vocations to priesthood and religious life, and that those lives may bear fruit in plenty.

I continue to try and keep in touch, a lot of phone calls and many emails. Do keep in touch with each other if you have contact details, as we are bound together in our common faith. I have Mass intentions up to the 22nd of May, and some others looking ahead. If you wish for any intentions just be in touch by email, post or telephone, and don't worry about stipend until we are on the move again.

"God does not send us plagues to teach us things, though we can learn from them."

"When we are down to nothing, God is up to something."

I was taken with a section of an article by William Hague about the lockdown. Writing about his father, who died a little over a year ago aged 90. He wrote "Dad was incorrigibly active and sociable into his late old age, walking many miles each day, and raising large sums for charity through skydiving and mountain climbing in his eighties. He went to local pubs every night without fail, a tradition he maintained to within a few days of his death. Each day he enjoyed meeting new people. He was not a man you could confine, or ever lecture on how to live, and he would recall that he had been to the funerals of most people who had told him what was good for him."

Not sure how some of our 70's+ plus will be if not let out!

The Pope's Prayer Intention for May

For Deacons. We pray that Deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

All our parishioners: For evangelisation in the parish. For all across the world caught up in natural disaster and Corona virus, and all NHS & all other emergency and vital workers and services.

For all on our Sacramental programmes of Journey in Faith: First Reconciliation and Holy Communion, & Confirmation. May the Lord strengthen them as they await the time we can all be together again

Our own sick, housebound & those in Hospitals or Hospice: Ray & Christine Blaker, Lynda Cripps, Christine Bunt, Tom Dauncey Jnr, Jackie Corsi, Sue Rowies, Hugo (3), Tony Noonan, Caroline Schofield, Grace Bailey, Fr. Richard Finn O.P. Kathy & Bob Carr, Roy Mulholland, Patsy & John Stevens, John Chamberlain, Christine Knowles, Audrey Evans, Anna Andrews, Sheila Devey. Elliot Slade, Lisa Thomas, Eileen Carson, Tony King, Daniel McWilliams, Len Hall, Dee Pascoe, Carrie Williams, Margaret & Norman Woolcock, Delia White., Pam Bielawski (Fr Jon's mother) Dennis O'Gorman (Fr Anthony's father, palliative care) & and those with virus, Maura O'Toole, (now home from hospital) & Bridget (Mary Jasper's daughter, slowly recovering) and all feeling lonely in the present crisis.

For those who have died, Fr Cadoc Leighton from Camborne, Edward Lindsey, Francis McArdle (Mick's brother in Ireland) and for all who mourn.

A Newman meditation for our country.

Arise, Mary, and go forth in thy strength into that north country, which once was thine own, and take possession of a land which knows thee not. Arise, Mother of God, and with thy thrilling voice, speak to those who labour with child, and are in pain, till the babe of grace leaps within them! Shine on us, dear Lady, with thy bright countenance, like the sun in his strength, O stella matutina, O harbinger of peace, till our year is one perpetual May. From thy sweet eyes, form thy pure smile, from thy majestic brow, let ten thousand influences rain down, not to confound or overwhelm, but to persuade, to win over thine enemies. O Mary, my hope, O Mother undefiled, fulfil to us the promise of this Spring. (from 'The Second Spring, by St John Henry Newman.)

MISSION MADE POSSIBLE!

Is the thought of sharing your faith with family friends and others just too scary? Are you thinking; 'that's not for me, I could never do that' or perhaps you just don't know where to start? Well you are not alone

JOIN CATHOLICS IN OUR DIOCESE AND ACROSS THE GLOBE WHO FEEL EXACTLY THE SAME WAY.

With the encouragement of Bishop Mark, you are invited to take part at home, and learn how to have these conversations appropriately and without feeling awkward.

If you would like to learn more please send an email with your telephone number to jonathan.bielawski@prcdtr.org.uk and follow this link to watch the overview video titled 'How to Evangelise' <https://wp.me/paTncV-8rl>

Catholic Bishops: The Thursday evening displays of appreciation and applause for the NHS are now being underpinned by a Mass celebrated by a Catholic Bishop at 7pm every Thursday in one of our cathedrals. The first was Westminster last week and Masses are planned for Arundel, Leeds, Newcastle, Shrewsbury and Middlesbrough etc.

2020 World Day of Prayer for Vocations The World Day of Prayer for Vocations - is celebrated this Sunday, 3rd May 2020. This day flows from the broader culture of vocation, and is when the universal Church asks the Lord to send more labourers to the harvest. The Holy Father, Pope Francis, writes:

Dear friends, on this day in particular, but also in the ordinary pastoral life of our communities, I ask the Church to continue to promote vocations. May she touch the hearts of the faithful and enable each of them to discover with gratitude God's call in their lives, to find courage to say "yes" to God, to overcome all weariness through faith in Christ, and to make of their lives a song of praise for God, for their brothers and sisters, and for the whole world. May the Virgin Mary accompany us and intercede for us.

Through your prayers and encouragement our seminarians, Albert and Andrew, continue to thrive on their vocational pathway towards ordination as Diocesan priests. If you have been watching the daily Masses streamed on location at our Cathedral, you might be aware that Albert is currently assisting Bishop Mark there, and similarly Andrew has been assisting Fr Chris Findlay-Wilson with the on-line liturgy at St Joseph's Branksome, Poole. Because of the pandemic, both men have had to move away from their usual community life at seminary, and are studying remotely via on-line resources to continue their formation. Their willingness to 'up-sticks' is testimony to their fortitude and generosity of spirit under what are difficult circumstances for us all. We look forward to Albert's ordination to the Diaconate in July of this year, and to Andrew's next year. This year we have one of our enquirers going forward to our annual selection conference to be held later this month. Do please keep Charles in your prayers as he continues to discern his way forward, seeking to carry out the Lord's will by offering his life in service of the Lord and His Church

Finally, I invite all those curious about the priesthood or religious life to contact me, Fr Ralph Candy, on 01803 557518, or send me an email to vocation@prcdtr.org.uk. In the meantime I'll leave you with a prayer for Vocations Sunday 2020, which we can all make our own:

Loving Father, you call us by name. As we journey through life help us to be confident in our own unique identity and to find opportunities to develop our own gifts and passions. We pray that the Holy Spirit will pour on us wisdom and guidance to help us realise and follow our dreams, discerning your plan for our lives. Bless your Church by raising up dedicated and generous people from our families and friends who will serve as Priests, Deacons, Sisters and Brothers. May we support one another in response to God's call. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

Smile Lines

The prison chaplain shook hands solemnly with one of the prisoners. After enquiring about his health and his family, he concluded, "I hope I will never see you here again, Kenny." "Father," replied Kenny, with absolute conviction, "anyone who has heard you preach will not want to come here again."