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SEVENTH WEEK OF EASTER – MARY'S MONTH OF MAY (A Psalter 3)

ALL CHURCHES ARE NECESSARILY CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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

Mass intentions this week

24th Seventh Sunday of Easter 11 am *Parish and People*

25th Monday 8. 30 a.m. St Bede the Venerable
Fr. Michael Downey RIP

26th Tuesday 8.30 a.m. St Philip Neri
Fr. Cadoc Leighton RIP

27th Wednesday 8.30 a.m. St Augustine of Canterbury
Doreen Allen RIP

28th Thursday 8.30 a.m. *The Legg Family*

29th Friday 8.30 a.m. St Pope Paul VI
Bridgette Shiells RIP

30th Saturday 8.30 a.m. *David Mansell RIP*

31st PENTECOST SUNDAY 11. 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,

We still await some firm news of the time when we will be able to enter churches to pray, and perhaps before long gather in smaller numbers for Mass. As soon as I know more will let you all know.

I continue to try and keep in touch, a lot of phone calls and many emails. If I've not rung you do give me a call or email. Please 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 8th of June, 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.

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, Czesia Sominka, Janet Honess, Dennis O'Gorman (Fr Anthony's father, palliative care) & and those with virus, Maura O'Toole, Bridget & Olivia Gorecka and all feeling lonely in the present crisis. For those who have died, Stanislaw (Donata's father, in Poland) and for all who mourn.

If someone needs the Last Rites, ring me, and one of the younger priests will come.

The glorious Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord was last Thursday. *The Lord taking his rightful place with the Father, and at the heart of the Godhead is redeemed humanity. Where he has gone before, we, his faithful hope to follow.*

It was a lovely sunny day last Thursday, but like Easter it seemed very strange and unreal without you all present. I'm sure you know I miss singing the familiar hymns too!

The Novena (Nine days) of Prayer, from the Ascension to Pentecost is a time to pray afresh for the outpouring of the Holy Spirit.

Begin each day invoking the Holy Spirit using Pope St John XXIII's 'invocation' prayer:

Renew your wonders in this our day, as by a new Pentecost.

Grant to your Church that, being of one mind and steadfast in prayer with Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and following the lead of Blessed Peter, it may advance the reign of our Divine Saviour, the reign of truth and justice, the reign of love and peace. Amen

'Come Holy Spirit, in your power and might to renew the face of the earth.'

Intentions for each day.

1 For a growth in trust that enables those we love, those we care about and those we know to open their hearts to the Holy Spirit, who is the first evangeliser.

2 For the 'Spirituality of Pentecost' to renew the Church throughout the world – especially in Europe, the United Kingdom, our Diocese and parish, and in our own lives.

3 For reconciliation, the unification of memories and the healing of the Christian body – in the world, in our country, and in our own lives.

4 For the coming of the kingdom and for the Culture of Life born of the Spirit, to penetrate the whole of society; for governments and those in public office around the world.

5 For the conversion of sinners, for growth in holiness and the revelation of God's glory –in the Church, in the world, in our families and in our own lives.

6 For reconciliation in broken relationships and the healing of life's hurts; and an end to the virus pandemic. May the peace of Christ that has broken down every dividing wall, lead us into unity and peace.

7 For a new empowerment by the Holy Spirit so that we can effective witnesses and for a new boldness in bringing the gospel to the whole of creation; for the work of 'New Evangelisation' in the Church.

8 That the victory of the Holy Cross and its saving power be manifested in our lives and proclaimed over all the earth. 'We adore you O Christ and we praise you, because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world.'

9 For a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives. May the gifts of the Spirit be more fully manifest for building up the body in love and to bring all things in heaven and earth under his headship.

'Send forth your spirit O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.'

The Bishops Conference have a Novena on Youtube.

Rosary on the Coast relay Rally invite you to pray the Rosary at Pentecost. Our diocese slot time is 11-12, but fit in as you can. Rally is from 9 a.m. – 9 p.m.

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.

Thoughts/wise words from St Philip Neri 1515 – 1595)

His day is this Tuesday, 26th He was the founder of the Oratorians. St John Henry Newman was an Oratorian

"Cast yourself into the arms of God and be very sure that if he wants anything of you, he will fit you for the work and give you strength.

Cheerfulness strengthens the heart and helps us to persevere.

That we are generally the carpenters of our own crosses is a truth sadly easier to recognise in others than in ourselves.

My Day by Day. I know many of you like the daily readings and the June copies are here. I would be only too pleased to send a copy if you let me know either by phone or email.

Mary's Meals: Churches plays a huge part in helping us to raise awareness of Mary's Meals mission and also to raise vital funds to support our work. Our founder, Magnus, has recorded a [special message](#) for church groups. This you will find on our website.

Plymouth Catholic Children's Society.

In every country and community across the world, the coronavirus pandemic is turning children's lives upside down. We urgently need your help so that we can continue to support vulnerable children and their families throughout the Diocese. The number of grant applications we receive has already begun to increase as a result of Covid-19 with more families needing our help to meet their basic needs such as a working cooker or a proper bed or cot for their children to sleep in. And we envisage that this number will continue to rise as more families living are affected. We rely entirely on the generosity of our supporters, parishioners and schools but with so many of our planned fundraising events cancelled, we now need to look for alternative sources of fundraising and funding. **And this is where your help comes in please.**

We have already secured some funding from the Devon Coronavirus Response & Recovery Fund and we have also set up a crowdfunding page. We hope to raise between £3,000 and £6,000 which would enable us to help at least 40 children directly (although more likely 80-100 family members would directly benefit). £6,000 would allow us to purchase for example: 10 children's beds/cots and mattresses - £1,000. 10 cookers - £2,000. 10 fridge/freezers - £1,500. 10 washing machines - £1,500

Please help us to reach our target by donating at [https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/catholic-childrens-society-plymouth-](https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/catholic-childrens-society-plymouth-1?tk=66698bb1ee6de155fddab240e0ce9c4e7ffea7bf)

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The link to our crowdfunding page can also be found via our website www.ccsplymouth.org.uk where you can also find alternative ways of donating ONLINE via Virgin Money Giving, Charities Aid Foundation or the Big Give. Simply visit www.ccsplymouth.org.uk

Smile Lines: Parrot Talk

At a country auction an old lady decided to buy an attractive-looking parrot, thinking it would be company for her. The bidding went unexpectedly high but the old lady, having made up her mind kept on bidding until the bird was knocked down to her at £35. Triumphant, she carried the caged parrot home, placed the cage on a table and addressed the parrot. "Now, pretty Polly", she coaxed, "talk to me". The parrot just glared silently at her. Further attempts failed, and eventually the old lady shouted, "Talk to me. I bought you for company. Do you mean to tell me – after all that money I paid for you that you can't even talk?" "Can't even talk", echoed the parrot, who do you think it was that bid you up to £35?"