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*Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2026*

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A**

*1100hrs Mass Intention: Marjorie & Cyril Halls and Elsie Robinson RIP*

*Preface V of Easter*

*Eucharistic Prayer III*

**Entrance Hymn: 694**

**Offertory Hymn: 600**

**Communion Hymn: 360**

**Recessional Hymn: 875**

**Kyrie: 480**

**Gloria: 481**

**Sanctus: 482**

**Acclamation: 485**

**Great Amen: Plainchant**

**Agnus Dei: 487**

**WELCOME EVERYONE**

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

Children over four years old are invited to go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. The vestry is available for those with children who need a place to play. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, hanging on the chairs at the back of church may be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace them after use and before leaving the building.

**MINISTRIES TODAY**

*Welcome Team:* Mr P Ndungu; Mrs E Ngatia  
*Readers:* Ms E Ohemeng; Mrs J White  
*Extraordinary Ministers:* Mrs N Francis-Crerar; Mrs M Szklarek  
*Children's Liturgy Lead:* Mrs Y Spreadborough

**THIS WEEK**

The Cathedral is open every working day from **1000hrs - 1600hrs**

Mon 4<sup>th</sup> May: *The English Martyrs* **Bank Holiday**

Tue 5<sup>th</sup> May: *Feria of Easter, Week 5, Year II*

**Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse**

Wed 6<sup>th</sup> May: *Feria of Easter, Week 5, Year II*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week I)

1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

**Private Intention**

Thu 7<sup>th</sup> May: *Feria of Easter, Week 5, Year II*

Fri 8<sup>th</sup> May: *Feria of Easter, Week 5, Year II*

1400hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

Sat 9<sup>th</sup> May: *Feria of Easter, Week 5, Year II*

1400hrs – Divine Mercy Liturgy

**NEXT SUNDAY**

*Welcome Team:* Mrs M Allen; Mrs O Beattie

*Readers:* Mr P Ndungu; Mr C Endean

*Extraordinary Ministers:* Ms A Williams; Mrs S Cole

*Children's Liturgy Lead:* Mrs P Brooks

**PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions.

**SPIRITUAL OFFERINGS**

Mass intentions for inclusion on the forthcoming International Military Pilgrimage may be sealed in the envelopes provided.

**LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES**

Sunday's Mass Zoom details – ID: 837 7539 9111

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83775399111?pwd=IXSFmXhGHXMIvHb8xPbkPsSuXVrYl.1> Passcode: 049207

Wednesday's Mass Zoom details – ID: 822 6062 6828

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82260626828?pwd=Kaxs19LOaEubuaO9IaVG7M2qMjMb7n.1> Passcode: 218034

**PAPAL COMMUNICATION**

In his prayer intention for this month, Pope Leo invites us to pray that no one might lack the food they need and that we might learn to live more responsibly, recognizing that the earth's resources are a gift for everyone. The text of the prayer is on the noticeboard and Bishopric website, with the video at: [www.popesprayer.va](http://www.popesprayer.va)

**FORTHCOMING COMMEMORATION**

The theme for the Day of Prayer for Survivors of Sexual Abuse, marked this Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> May, examines the scourge of domestic abuse which causes pain and fear that prevents its victims from living the life Jesus came to bring. Jesus said, "I came that they may have life and have it abundantly." John 10:10. Immediately before the much-loved part of this verse from the Gospel of John we hear Jesus's words: "The thief comes only to steal and kill and destroy." This is how abuse feels to those who experience it – their dignity and value as a unique child of God is stripped away and destroyed: [www.cbcew.org.uk/day-of-prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/](http://www.cbcew.org.uk/day-of-prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/)

**BEING HEARD**

This Thursday, 7<sup>th</sup> May, local elections are taking place across England, Scotland and Wales. The Church encourages all to vote as 'another way in which to exercise responsibility' for the good of society. There is a special message to young people who may be eligible to vote for the first time, urging them to play their part and use their franchise. All the faithful are asked to think carefully and prayerfully as they cast their vote in these elections.

**FAITHFUL WITNESS**

One year after the death of Pope Francis some of the most significant moments of his pontificate are highlighted in a documentary entitled "Todos, todos, todos." It may be viewed here: <https://youtu.be/eGVL2Lh3qSw?si=ILc2y5YKa06-LUyj>

**AND FINALLY ...**

.... it's apparently acknowledged that when both the speaker and the audience are confused, the speech is said to be profound.

*With every blessing*  
**Fr Nick**