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Sunday, 7th May 2023

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A

Mass Intention: Tony Hooke RIP

Entrance Hymn: 762

Offertory Hymn: 966

Communion Hymn: 360

Recessional Hymn: 960

Kyrie: 488

Gloria: 489

Sanctus: 490

Acclamation: 491

Great Amen: 494

Agnus Dei: 495

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.

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 4 years old are invited to go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. 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.

After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs A Paintin; Mrs P Brooks

Readers: Mr C Endean; Mrs L Mortimer

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs F Qiatabua

THIS WEEK

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

Mon 8th May: *Feria of Easter Week 5, Year I*

Tue 9th May: *Feria of Easter Week 5, Year I*

Day of Prayer for Victims & Survivors of Abuse

Wed 10th May: *St John de Avila, priest, doctor*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week I)

1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

Sue Innes RIP

Thu 11th May: *Feria of Easter Week 5, Year I*

Fri 12th May: *St Pancras, martyr*

1400hrs – Holy Rosary

1430hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

Sat 13th May: *Our Lady of Fatima*

1430hrs – Divine Mercy Liturgy

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mrs L McMahon; Mrs M Ferrie

Readers: Ms M Rakabane; Mr D Parry

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs Y Spreadborough

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

CORONATION CELEBRATION

There will be the opportunity to toast the health of the King and Queen after Mass today for all of legal age and not driving!

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 833 3966 9038

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83339669038?pwd=K1ZSSettUGw3eKjNjeEI0eFJFSXkyQT09> Passcode: 369547

Wednesday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 876 9739 6031

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87697396031?pwd=OTIUN2FIazILeUdXMGMQ2ck1xU3E2QT09> Passcode: 861818

FORTHCOMING COMMEMORATION

The Bishops of England and Wales have chosen this Tuesday of the 5th Week of Easter as the Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse; it is a day of prayer for those who have been abused in a season of hope and new life. The Isaiah Journey has prepared a range of resources for prayer, action and reflection for use throughout the year which are launched on the day of prayer. Details of an online week of guided prayer from this Thursday are on the noticeboard and Bishopric website. Further information is at: www.cbcew.org.uk/prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/

ENCOURAGING DIALOGUE

Colin Bloom, Independent Faith Engagement Adviser, published Does Government 'Do God' recently. This overarching review that has been in the making since before the Covid pandemic, attempts to examine how government engages with faith, people of faith and places of worship. The report may be read via the website: www.assets.publishing.service.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/1152684/The_Bloom_Review.pdf

SPIRITUAL ENGAGEMENT

Prayer intentions for Lourdes, which will be conveyed to the Shrine and presented at the Grotto during the upcoming International Military Pilgrimage, may be written on the sheets and placed in the envelopes provided at the back of church.

FAITHFUL QUESTIONING

The Centre for Ecclesial Ethics at the Margaret Beaufort Institute is carrying out some pioneering research into why many Catholics no longer go to Mass, or feel they no longer belong in the Church. For more information and to respond to the survey go to: www.cambridge.eu.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9Gn08WXvvKfwJts

AND FINALLY ...

... a positive attitude may not solve all of life's problems, but it will annoy enough people to make it worthwhile!

*With every blessing
Fr Nick*