

NOTICES

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ALTAR SERVERS: From today, we invite the children who have volunteered to be Altar Servers to resume their duties at Mass. You may confirm your availability to serve at Mass with the priest or the sacristan. Training will also be provided on how to clear the altar after the Mass.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY & SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION: These programmes have now resumed following the Easter holiday. All children of primary school age are welcome to join the children's liturgy during the first half of the 11am Mass.

FOOD BANK DONATIONS: Thank you for your continuing support of the food bank. Your donations make a difference to vulnerable families in our parish community. If you know anyone personally who may benefit from support in this regard, please advise them that they can contact Billy Walker (in strictest confidence) on 0795 443 3940.

MARGARET SUTHERLAND RIP: A service to celebrate Margaret's life will be held here at St Joseph's on Wednesday 18th May at 11.30am, followed by committal at Mortonhall Crematorium (Pentland Chapel).

MICHAEL LAMB RIP: We regret to announce the passing of Michael Lamb earlier in the week. Michael was a regular fixture at our 8.30am Mass and all our social events. We pray for his wife Margaret and all the family at this time. May he rest in peace.

MGR DUFFY: 12th June marks the first anniversary of the death Monsignor Tony Duffy, former Parish Priest at St Cuthbert's and chaplain to St Augustine's School. A memorial Mass will be held on 12th June at 7pm in St Cuthbert's. All are welcome pay their respects to a man who touched countless lives during his years of ministry, particularly as Covid restrictions prevented a full attendance at his funeral.

PRAY FOR PRIESTS: Today is World Day of Prayer for Vocations. Please pray for all those who are discerning a vocation to the priesthood or religious life in our Archdiocese. If you think you may have a vocation, you can have a chat with the Archdiocesan vocations directors Fr Andrew Garden 0131 663 4286/ vocations@staned.org.uk or Sister Mirjam Hugens 0131 623 8902 / religiousvocations@staned.org.uk. As always, please also keep Fr Baji and Fr Shinto in your prayers as they serve God and the people of our parish.



SAINT JOSEPH'S
BROOMHOUSE



8th May 2022

Fourth Sunday of Easter (C)

**'The sheep that
belong to me
listen to my
voice'**

John 10:27-30

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ORDER OF THE MASS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 32: 5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth;
by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

Introductory Rites

P: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

℟ *Amen.*

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

℟ *And with your spirit.*

Penitential Act

I confess to almighty God / and to you my brothers and sisters,
that I have greatly sinned / in my thoughts and in my words,
in what I have done, and in what I have failed to do,
through my fault, through my fault,
through my most grievous fault;
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints / and you my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God. Amen.

P: Lord have mercy. ℟ *Lord have mercy*

P: Christ have mercy. ℟ *Christ have mercy*

P: Lord have mercy ℟ *Lord have mercy.*

Gloria

Glory to God in the highest,
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,
we bless you,
we adore you,
we glorify you,
we give you thanks for your great glory,
Lord God, heavenly King,
O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,
you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us;
you take away the sins of the world,
receive our prayer;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,
have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,

Reflection

Listening to the Shepherd

The fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, where we reflect on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd who faithfully and kindly takes care of his flock. The Old Testament presents God as a shepherd who guides and protects his chosen people. They experienced the comforting presence of God during their journey back to the promised land. Jesus, the eternal shepherd leads, feeds, nurtures, comforts, corrects, and protects his flock.

Today Jesus tells us that He is the Good Shepherd who has come down to tend His flock. A shepherd is expected to lead his sheep to green pastures and cool streams where there is refreshment, rest and rock-like security. He knows how to protect his sheep from any dangers. He is even prepared to give up his life to safeguard his flock. But his efforts will be in vain if the sheep do not listen to his voice.

The liturgy of the word presents the aspect of “listening” to the voice of the Lord. Today’s first reading describes how Paul and Barnabas chose to listen to the voice of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, and follow him. The gospel too brings us the same message listening to the voice of the Lord: “My sheep hear my voice and I know them, and they follow Me” (Jn 10:27).

Presenting himself as the Good Shepherd, Jesus wants to communicate to us that He knows his sheep and his sheep hears his voice. So, Jesus knows each one of us personally, our needs, our limitations, etc. He loves us as we are, protects us by placing us in the hands of the Heavenly Father.

There are so many ‘noises’ that prevents us from listening to the words of the Lord: noise of worldliness, hard-heartedness, discouragements, selfishness, etc. Being aware of the unending love Jesus the Good Shepherd has shown for us His sheep, let us pledge to listen to His words of love and follow His path.

Fr Shinto Joseph, SSP

R: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

Communion Antiphon

The Good Shepherd has risen,
who laid down his life for his sheep
and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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HYMN NUMBERS FOR 11AM MASS

- Entrance Hymn:** Christ be Beside Me (94)
- Offertory:** Fill my House (256)
- Communion:** The Love I Have for You (662)
O the Love of my Lord is the Essence (557)
- Exit:** Immaculate Mary (360)

you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading

Acts 13:14,43-52

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats.

When the meeting broke up many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them.

The next sabbath almost the whole town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said:

I have made you a light for the nations,
so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.'

It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside.

But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord

R Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 99(100):1-3,5

R We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
Serve the Lord with gladness.
Come before him, singing for joy. **R**

Know that he, the Lord, is God.
He made us, we belong to him,
we are his people, the sheep of his flock. **R**

Indeed, how good is the Lord,
eternal his merciful love.
He is faithful from age to age. **R**

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK			
Date	Time	Saint	Intention
Sunday, 8 May	8.30am	4th Sunday of Easter (C)	People of the Parish
	11.00am		
Monday, 9 May	9.30am		
Tuesday, 10 May	9.30am	St John of Ávila (P, D)	
Wednesday, 11 May	9.30am		
Thursday, 12 May	9.30am		
Friday, 13 May	9.30am	Our Lady of Fátima	
Saturday, 14 May	9.30am	St Matthias, Apostle—Feast	

Second reading**Apocalypse 7:9,14-17**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all tears from their eyes.'

The Word of the Lord*℟ Thanks be to God***Gospel Acclamation****Jn10:14**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my own sheep and my own know me.
Alleluia!

Gospel**John 10:27-30**

Jesus said:

'The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;
I know them and they follow me.
I give them eternal life;
they will never be lost and no one will ever steal them from me.
The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,
and no one can steal from the Father.
The Father and I are one.'

The Gospel of the Lord*℟ Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ***Profession of Faith**

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth,
and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit / born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; /
he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead;
he ascended into heaven;
and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty,
from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic church,
the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting.

Amen.**Prayers of the Faithful**

P: Lord, hear us.

*℟ Lord Graciously Hear us.***The Sanctus**

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord, God of hosts, heaven and earth are full of your glory, hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, hosanna in the highest.

The Mystery of Faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

Doxology and Great Amen

P: Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever.

*℟ Amen.***The Lord's Prayer**

Our Father, who are in heaven, hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come; / thy will be done / on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread, / and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation, / but deliver us from evil.

P: Deliver us Lord, we pray...

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours,
now and forever.

P: Lord Jesus Christ... For ever and ever.

℟ Amen.

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

*℟ And with your spirit.***Breaking of the Bread**

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world,
grant us peace.

P: Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.