NOTICES

PARISH FINANCE: It is possible to donate via bank transfer if you wish. The parish account details are: Sort code: 80-02-27; Account number: 00126361; Account name: Archdiocese of St Andrew's & Edinburgh: St Joseph's. Please remember to include your name as a reference. It is also possible to donate online using the "donate" button on the parish website. **Last Sunday's Collection** will be published next weekend.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ASCENSION: Thursday 27th May is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord. Masses will be held here at 9.30am and 7:00pm.

LADIES WHO LUNCH: Come one, come all! A new social initiative by the ladies of the parish, who intend to meet on the last Thursday of every month for lunch and a chance to socialise with other parishioners. Everyone is welcome, so please feel free join us at midday in the White Lady, Corstorphine. Our next get together is on Thursday 26th May.

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION: Please remember in your prayers the 25 children from St Joseph's, who will be Confirmed at St Cuthbert's on Friday 27th May. May they be sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

POUND CLUB: The Pound Club will be drawn during the 8.30am Mass next Sunday 29th May. Please ensure you have paid your dues—you have to be in it to win it!

FIRST COMMUNIONS: These will be held on Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th June. On the Saturday, the children who have been preparing at St Joseph's school will receive the Sacrament. On the Sunday during the 11am Mass, it will be the turn of those children who have been participating in the parish sacramental classes. Please pray for both of these groups of young people as they take this important step in their journeys of faith.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS THIS WEEK			
Date	Time	Feast	Intention
Sunday, 22 May	8.30am	6th Sunday of Easter (C)	For the Parishioners
	11.00am		
Monday, 23 May	9.30am		Michael Lamb, RIP
Tuesday, 24 May	9.30am		Michael Lamb, RIP
Wednesday, 25 May	9.30am	St Gregory VII, Pope	Intentions of Irena
Thursday, 26 May	9.30am	The Ascension of the Lord— Solemnity	Intentions of Simon
	7:00pm		
Friday, 27 May	9.30am	St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop	Trinidade Vaz, RIP
Saturday, 28 May	9.30am		Francis Michael Vas, RIP



SAINT JOSEPH'S

BROOMHOUSE



22nd May 2022

Sixth Sunday of Easter (C)

Do not let your

hearts be troubled

or afraid.

John 14:23-29

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ORDER OF THE MASS

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 48: 20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Introductory Rites

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

R 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.
P: Christ have mercy.
P: Lord have mercy.
R Christ have mercy.
R 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

DO NOT LET YOUR HEARTS BE TROUBLED

The gospel of the day recounts Jesus' farewell discourse after the Last Supper. Those were the dark hours before the Lord was betrayed, abused, tortured and eventually crucified. In a very short time, the world of the eleven disciples was going to collapse into unbelievable chaos. Jesus, for whom they had forsaken all, was leaving. Their beloved Master, whom they loved more than life, the One whom they had been willing to die for, was going away.

Jesus foresees the sorrow his disciples. Their hearts were already heavy, and he gives them comfort upon comfort: "Do not let your hearts be troubled." Martin Luther called this passage "the best and most comforting sermon that the Lord delivered on earth, a treasure and a jewel not to be purchased with the world's goods."

The consoling words of the Lord: "Do not let your hearts be troubled" has become the foundation for comfort, care and love, not only for these disciples but also for all humanity.

There are three ways to stop our heart from getting troubled:

- Trust His Abiding Presence. Our life is a mixture of conflicts, disappointments and pain. We all experience hours of deep tragedy and times of severe trial, but He is with us. Whatever be our trouble, whatever mess we are in, whatever anxiety or perplexity we have, just remember, the Lord Himself is there. He can be wherever we need Him. While He was here on earth, He could be in only one place at a time. Now He is available to all of us everywhere.
- ⇒ **Trust His Promises.** The Sacred Scripture is God's love letter to us. From the time of creation God has been protecting his people. He was faithful to his people and he continues to be even today.
- ⇒ **Trust His Person.** Christ is everything a person needs. We can trust his presence, his promises and his person, for he is the way, the truth, and the life. He is our modern GPS. There is no greater comfort in the entire world than that.

Our future is unknown, and that may be unsettling, but we have not been abandoned. Jesus tells us not to let our hearts be troubled or afraid. Let us open ourselves to experience God's presence, then our hearts can be nourished by the gift of peace that Jesus offers.

Fr Shinto Joseph, SSP

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always. \mathbf{R} 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. $\hat{\mathbf{R}}$: 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

Jn 14: 15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

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HYMNS FOR 11AM MASS

Opening Hymn: 96—Abba Father, Send your Spirit

Offertory Hymn: 122—All That I Am

Communion Hymns: 251—Father I Place Into Your Hands

470—Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Recessional Hymn: 333—Holy God, We Praise Thy Name

40 HOURS DEVOTION:

Each parish in the Archdiocese has been invited to have 40 hours of Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, with the aim of renewing our faith in the Eucharistic in the aftermath of Covid restrictions which have curbed our religious practices. This weekend, it is the turn of our parish to host this devotion. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed immediately after the 11am Mass and also after Morning Mass on Monday and Tuesday. Exact timings are:

⇒ Sunday 22nd May: 12pm to 6pm

⇒ Monday 23rd May: 10am to 7pm

⇒ Tuesday 24th May: 10am to 7pm

To ensure that the there is someone in the church at all times during the are clipboards at the back of the church to sign up to hourly slots. There are still slots available, so please do sign up and participate if you have not already. you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

First reading

Acts 15:1-2,22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

The Word of the Lord R Thanks he to God

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 66(67):2-3,5-6,8

 \hat{R} Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help. $\tilde{\mathbf{R}}$

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

R Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.

Second reading

Apocalypse 21:10-14,22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

The Word of the Lord

R Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Jn14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' Alleluia!

Gospel

John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples:

If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.

Those who do not love me do not keep my words.

And my word is not my own:

it is the word of the one who sent me.

I have said these things to you while still with you;

but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit,

whom the Father will send in my name,

will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you,

a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return.

If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to

the Father, for the Father is greater than I.

I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

The Gospel of the Lord

R 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.

Prayers of the Faithful

P: Lord, hear us.

R 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

R: 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.

R Amen.