

5th Sunday of Easter -Year A
7th May 2023

Prayers for Coronation of King Charles III

In the days before his Coronation the Bishops of England and Wales encouraged Catholics in our lands to pray for His Majesty King Charles and Queen Camilla so we pray:

O God, to whom every human power is subject, grant to your servant our sovereign Charles success in the exercise of his high office, so that, always revering you and striving to please you, he may constantly secure and preserve for the people entrusted to his care the freedom that comes from civil peace. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen**



Confirmation Class on Wednesday 10th May at 5pm in the Cathedral Centre & **First Holy Communion Class** on Friday 12th May at 4.30pm at the Cathedral School.

Please keep our young people in your prayers as they prepare



ST. RITA'S OF CASCIA FEAST DAY ON MONDAY 22nd MAY 2023 AT ST RITA'S CENTRE

Principal Celebrant: Monsignor Canon Daniel McHugh
The day will begin with Mass at 12 noon followed by the blessing and distribution of roses for the sick. Two shops will be open that day for sale of religious

articles; you can also make your orders on our website www.stritascentre.org and collect your items on site on the feast day. Hot drinks will be available all day but visitors should bring a packed lunch. The day will conclude with Benediction at 3pm.

We would advise early arrival as car parking can be difficult if you arrive after 11.30am. Car parking stewards will be on duty to help you and there will be a small army of volunteers working in various places helping to ensure a smooth running of the day and a happy feast day for everyone.

Online Rosary every Wednesday at 9am for Plymouth Community Cafod : Meeting ID 451 698 0458 or for more information. Email: castledine.m@yahoo.com

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Love in Action

next meeting which will be on the 10th May 2023 at 7pm in the cathedral centre all welcome

Summer Camps : If you have young children please consider signing them up for one of our camps, info available at the back of the church or by scanning the QR Code.

PLEASE NOTE

There will be no 10:00 Mass on Wednesday 10th May , Mass will be celebrated Canon Paul Cummins—Diocesan Administrator - at 12pm by and will also be attended by retired members of the clergy. All welcome.



You are invited to join members of The Legion of Mary for the open-air recitation of the Holy Rosary on Sunday afternoons in Our Lady's month of May. This will be on Plymouth's historic waterfront beneath the Stella Maris statue on the Barbican at 3pm on Sundays 7th / 14th / 21st / & 28th May. We shall be praying different Mysteries each Sunday.

Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse – 9th May

The Bishop's Conference of England and Wales have chosen Tuesday of the Fifth Week of Easter (9th May), as the Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Abuse. This is a day of prayer for those who have been abused, in a season of hope and new life.

The Isaiah Journey (a working group of the Bishops' Conference that has grown out of the need for a pastoral-spiritual response to the suffering of victims and survivors of abuse in the Church) has produced a range of resources for use throughout the year which are launched on this day: <https://www.cbcew.org.uk/prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/>



Summer Coffee Morning with home-made savouries, cakes, marmalade, bric-a-brac, piety stalls and raffle on the 20th of April, from 10.30am to 12.15pm in the Cathedral Centre, Wyndham Street West. Plymouth Branch of the Society for the

Protection of Unborn Children (SPUC) invites you to come along to our summer sale and enjoy meeting up with old and new faces and having a chat over a free cup of tea or coffee secure in the knowledge that you are supporting a vital issue: that of trying to prevent abortions and fighting the parliamentary effort to make abortion a 'human right.' Hope to see you there. You will be most welcome. Admission is £1.

Further info: Christine Hudson 07742320717



Important Safeguarding information-

Please be aware that our Masses and events are regularly filmed and will appear online on our YouTube channel.

Due to the current guidelines, we are requested to provide a seating area where the cameras will not put the people in shot of the live filming. The designated area will be the pews in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. If you would like to receive Holy Communion but wish not to be visible on YouTube, please request to receive at the Blessed Sacrament chapel as the sacrament is being reposed.

5th Sunday of Easter

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles.

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM,

R. May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **(R.)**

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted. The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. **(R.)**

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. **(R.)**

Second Reading

A reading from the First letter of St Peter

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have

chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light. **The word of the Lord.**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.'

Alleluia!

Gospel

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled. Trust in God still, and trust in me. There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you. I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"? Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me? The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself: it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work. You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason. I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father.

The Gospel of the Lord

Date	Mass	Intentions	St. Joseph's Vigil Saturday evening 6pm Intentions: Mark Sefton & Family (Int's)
<i>Sunday 7th May</i> 5th Sunday of Easter	10:00am 6:00pm	<i>His Majesty King Charles</i> <i>Mrs Evelyn Attard (RIP)</i>	
<i>Monday 8th May</i>	10:00 am	<i>Florence Frances Cooper (RIP)</i>	
<i>Tuesday 9th May</i>	10:00am	<i>Margaret Maguire (RIP)</i>	
<i>Wednesday 10th May</i> Retired Clergy	12:00pm	<i>Wally & Hipwell family (RIP)</i>	
<i>Thursday 11th May</i>	10:00am	<i>Tony Beer (RIP)</i>	
<i>Friday 12th May</i> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	9:30am 10:00am	<i>A time of silent prayer in Adoration.</i> <i>Holy Souls</i>	
<i>Saturday 13th May</i>	10:00am	<i>Holy Souls</i>	

SICK & HOUSEBOUND
 Please pray for the sick or housebound in our parish and those who are particularly poorly at this time.
RIP: - Please pray for the repose of the souls of those who have recently died especially Salvo Natale may their souls rest in peace. **Amen**