

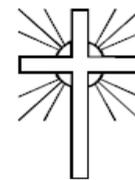


ALL SAINTS, OLD GLOSSOP, AND ST MARY CROWNED, GLOSSOP

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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2020

Sunday 10th May 2020

Fr Martin writes:

I am very thankful for the kind words of encouragement people have given me about the content on the YouTube channel I set up in the hopes of providing a resource for people's spiritual nourishment as they stay home to save lives and protect the NHS.

I am continuing the daily homily, and I am delighted to say that a new series has begun, meditations on the glorious mysteries of the Holy Rosary led by Mgr Moore.

Since the channel was set up, it has been visited (at the time of writing) over 1,500 times, and people have spent 44½ hours viewing its content.

You can access the channel by visiting www.glossopcatholics.org.uk/youtube and clicking the link you will find there.

Our prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of Gill Kenny, who died recently. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Mrs Kenny's committal service will take place on Monday, and a church service may follow, God willing, once circumstances permit.

Our prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of Vivienne Bradley, who died recently. May her soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Mrs Bradley's committal service will take place on Wednesday, and a church service may follow, God willing, once circumstances permit.

Our prayers are asked for the repose of the soul of Mark Binks, who died recently. May his soul, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Mr Binks's committal service will take later this month, and a church service will follow at St Charles in Hadfield, God willing, once circumstances permit.

Thoughts from this week's Readings:

This week's readings speak powerfully of faith, hope and trust in God. During the coming week and for the weeks ahead, God's word inspires, sustains and encourages us as we continue to live with the impacts of current events.

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We learn how the early church devised a way to ensure the fair sharing of food and material necessities among all the faithful, so that the apostles could continue preaching and teaching about Jesus (First Reading). They accomplished this task with prayer, seeking wisdom from the Holy Spirit in their decision-making.

St Peter (Second Reading) speaks of the difficulties of living without faith, and rejoices that those who are believers can be close to Jesus and become a holy people living in the light of God.

Gospel Reading, John 14 : 1-12

The Last Supper is over. Judas has gone into the night and Jesus tells the disciples he will not be with them much longer. He gives a new commandment (only now, at the very end of his ministry!),

Peter speaks the disciples' bewilderment and loyalty, but Jesus gently answers his empty bluster (13:38).

The opening line of today's reading is powerful. The disciples are aware of betrayal, of Christ's leaving them and his foretelling Peter's weakness and disloyalty.

If Peter is weak and disloyal, so could they all be. Jesus wants them not to be troubled by such thoughts but rather to learn a new trust in him and trust in God - which looks to life after death.

His leaving them is not to go to the darkness of Sheol but rather to his Father's house where there will be a place for all of them - he is promising eternal life! He is returning to the Father so that they may come to the Father, and he is the way.

Thomas fails to understand so asks a simple question that allows Jesus to make clear they are always to be his followers - they won't find the way alone - and then invites another question by telling them they already know God. Philip is the practical one who draws from Jesus the mysterious answer that Jesus and the Father are one - not the same, but one. Father and Son are divine.

It is extraordinary truth or blasphemy:

Jesus says he is divine.

I may like to ponder how am I making my decisions during this difficult time? Perhaps I am called to try to spend some time each day with Jesus, growing closer to him and his values. I ask Jesus for the grace to live this week in hope, trust and joy.

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Parish Liturgy This Week

The week ahead:

Sun 10	Fifth Sunday of Easter		
Mon 11	SS John Houghton, Robert Lawrence, Priests & Comps, the Martyrs of Nottinghamshire		
Tue 12	SS Nereus and Achilleus, Martyrs	Wed 13	Our Lady of Fatima
Thu 14	St Matthias, Apostle	Fri 15	Easter Feria
Sat 16	Easter Feria	Sun 17	Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mass Intentions for the week beginning Saturday 9th May, Fr Martin will offer Holy Mass this week:

For the Holy Souls (on Saturday, Tuesday and Thursday); For the people of the parish; For Fr Colin Taylor RIP; For Fr William Wells RIP; and For Mary Broaders RIP (birthday memorial).

Live streaming services for This Weekend:

Bishop Patrick has decided to offer a simple Mass at Bishop's House to live stream at 9 am this Sunday, the Cathedral Mass will be at 10 am celebrated by the Cathedral clergy.

The Shrine of Our Lady at Walsingham continue their livestreaming service throughout the week. To connect to these services, please visit www.glossopcatholics.org.uk/livestreams and select the church you wish to view.

This Sunday's Mass Readings are: Acts 6: 1-7 Psalm 32, 1-2, 4-5, 18-19 1 Peter 2: 4-9 Jn 14: 1-12

Nottingham Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage

Due to the covid-19 pandemic situation both in our diocese and in France the annual Diocesan Lourdes Pilgrimage won't be taking place in July as planned, but rather will be postponed until the same time in July 2021. All those pilgrims who had made a booking have been contacted by the tour operator, Tangney Tours, and refunds have been arranged. It is hoped that later in the year, depending on the coronavirus situation, to celebrate a '**Lourdes in a Day**' reunion event, including Mass with the Anointing of the Sick, a Blessed Sacrament Procession and Blessing of the Sick, and a Torchlight Rosary Procession. Information about this will be circulated in due course and when it is possible again to meet together for such a day.

Supporting your parish:

Now that Holy Mass is no longer celebrated in public, many people who currently support our parishes by donating cash each week in the collection will be eager to find a way to continue their support. If you send a stamped addressed envelope to Fr Martin he will send you a standing order form to fill in and return. Mark your envelope "SMC" if you wish to support St Mary's, and "AS" if you wish to support All Saints, and send it to Royle House, Church Street, Glossop SK13 7RJ.

If you have signed up for online or telephone banking, and are confident about setting up a new standing order online or over the phone, these are the details you need. Please double check your work, because even one wrong number will result in your money being sent to someone else, not to your parish! For St Mary Crowned, the details are: Account Name - St Mary RC Glossop RCP; Account Number - 00462783; Sort Code - 30-13-32. For All Saints, Account Name - All Saints Glossop RCP; Account Number - 00654151; Sort Code - 30-13-32. Thank you to those people who have set up, or increased, their standing order so that their parish may continue to pay its bills and their church may be able to re-open once conditions permit.

How to receive your weekly Newsletter: Please see below the various ways you can receive the Newsletter:

1. If you would like your Newsletter emailed to you each week, email Liz Nash.
2. Look on the parish website, www.glossopcatholics.org.uk the Newsletter is put there on Saturday afternoon.
3. Some volunteers are delivering copies that they have made after using one of the above methods, so ask someone you know who has computer facilities, or contact Sue Nash.
4. Post some stamped self-addressed envelopes (check you've used the correct stamp!) to Fr Martin (address above) and he will post a copy to you each week.

Coronavirus and Helping Hands: During the outbreak, Helping Hands volunteers will be available to help the housebound or quarantined who need any of the following: picking up shopping, posting mail, a friendly phone call, or any urgent supplies. Email: bellevue37@yahoo.com or Tel: 07923542896