

Acts 5:27-32. 40-41

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said, 'not to preach in this name and what have you done? You have filled Jerusalem with your teaching and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering the humiliation for the sake of the name.

Psalm response:

I will praise you Lord,
you have rescued me.

Apoc. 5: 11-14

In my vision, I John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered around the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation - everything that lives in the air and on the ground and under the ground and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us.
Alleluia!

John 21: 1-19

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberius and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathaniel from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat and caught nothing that night. It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything friends?' And when they answered, 'No,' he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net and there were so many fish they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words, 'It is the Lord', Simon Peter who had practically nothing on wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the nets and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?' they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

'Simon, son of John, do you love me?' 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' 'Feed my lambs.'.....

'Simon, son of John do you love me?' 'Yes Lord, you know I love you.' 'Look after my sheep.'.....

Simon, son of John, do you love me?'.....'Lord you know everything, you know I love you.' 'Feed my sheep.'.....



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Sunday 5th. May 2019
Third Sunday of Easter
Eucharistic Prayer 3
Psalter Week 1 - Weekday Series 1

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| SAT. 4th. | 5.40 Rosary 6.00 pm. | Mass | Private Intention |
| | | St. Mary's C of E Parish Church Horncastle | |
| SUN. 5th. | 9.40 Rosary 10.00 am. | Mass | People of the Parish |
| MON. 6th. | Easter Feria 9.40 Rosary 10.00 am. | Mass | |
| TUES. 7th | Easter Feria 9.40 Rosary 10.00 am. | Mass | |
| THURS. 9th. | Easter Feria 6.40 Rosary 7.00 pm. | Mass | |
| FRI. 10th. | Lenten Feria 10.00am. | Mass | |
| | | <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Rosary</i> | |
| SAT. 11th. | Lenten Feria 9.40 Rosary 10.00 am. | Mass | |

Sunday 12th. May
Fourth Sunday of Easter

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| SAT. 11th. | 6.00pm. | Mass | People of the Parish |
| | | St. Mary's C of E Parish Church, H/castle | |
| SUN. 12th. | 10.00 am. | Mass | Private Intention |

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Woodhall Spa - Sat. 10.30 am. - 11.00 am.
Horncastle Sat. 5.30 pm. - 5.50 pm.
or on request.

Baptism : By arrangement with the priest.

Marriage: Six months notice - at least.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Robert Harper and those whose anniversaries occur about this time. May they rest in peace.

Finance:

Envelopes: £219.50 Loose: £190.55 Standing orders: £78.92
Total: £488.97 Thank you.

First Sunday Coffee — This Sunday there will be cake the usual tea & coffee.
IT IS ALL FREE!!

First Tuesdays - We meet this Tuesday 7th. May at 2.30pm. in the hall to chat about life in general or any specific topic you care to raise. tea/coffee & cake/biscuits.

May Procession - Sunday 19th. May - the rosary procession around the grounds of Our Lady & St. Peter, Woodhall Spa will begin in the church at 3.00pm.
It will be followed by light refreshments in the hall.

2019 marks the 175th anniversary of the consecration of St. Barnabas Cathedral.

Built 1841-1844 to the designs of AWN Pugin and funded by the Earl of Shrewsbury. On Tuesday, 11th June, Cardinal Nichols will celebrate Mass at 11.30am in the Cathedral with Archbishop McMahon preaching. **Two parishioners are invited to attend** and be seated by 10.45am. If you would like to be one of those two, please let Fr. John know as soon as possible. Should there be a demand, names will be drawn from 'a hat'.

Rosmini Centre Happy Eastertide. Saturday May 11th. 2-4.30
Fr. John McCay GOD IN MY LIFE, INVITATION, MISSION, GRATITUDE. Healing Mass Programme begins at 7pm Friday May 17th.

Advance notice: June, a month of Celtic Spirituality led by Father Ted Mullen IC.
Saturday's 2-4.30 First two sessions June 1 & 15 : Third session Retreat Day June 29th.

Centering Prayer & Contemplative Meditation: Open to All

We meet from 7.00pm till 9.00pm, on **Tues. 7th. & 28th. May** then every 1st & 4th (not 5th) Tuesday of each month, at the **Lions Den, 26A, Silver Street, Coningsby, LN4 4SG. Free parking** available in Silver Street Car Park. Coming out onto Silver Street, driveway entrance to Lions Den bungalow is across the road, between Ginger Cow Coffee Shop and Doctor's Surgery.

"Come and see!" (Jn 1:39,46;4:29)

"Churches Without Walls" : Programme.

We are exploring "Centering Prayer", "Lectio Divina", and "The Cloud of Unknowing", in relation to each other, leading into a **silent** session of "Contemplative Prayer".

"Intercessory Prayer" may be offered, **on request.**

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Catholic paper snippets:

- reflections and speeches. It was part of a four day International Ecumenical Youth Festival organised and sponsored by the churches of Lebanon, the Middle East Council of Churches and the monastic community of Taize. Brother Alois Leser, prior of the Taize community, said that amid all the violence of the world, religions must be factors of peace. *The Catholic Times (5/4)*
- Nations that actively engage in arms dealing and help foment war in other countries should not expect to find peace in their own lands, Pope Francis has said in a wide-ranging interview with a Spanish news programme, 'Salvados.' Asked about migration in Europe, the Pope cited the book of Deuteronomy saying the act of welcoming migrants is 'a Christian attitude,' also commenting that he was 'saddened' and did 'not understand the insensitivity' towards migrants facing injustice, war, hunger and exploitation. *The Catholic Times (5/4)*
- A Catholic parish in Cheshire has become the first in the Diocese of Shrewsbury to welcome a family of Syrian refugees. Parishioners of Our Lady & St.. Christopher in Romiley, near Stockport, has welcomed a family of five from a refugee camp in Lebanon where they have lived since 2012 when they fled their homeland's civil war. The family were resettled under the Government's Community Sponsorship Scheme to relocate 20,000 refugees from the Syrian conflict. Parishioners were so generous in raising money to bring the family to Romiley that there was a surplus large enough to enable them to relocate a second family later this year. With the assistance of Caritas, there are parishes in Sandbach and West Kirby, Wirral also preparing to bring in refugees. *The Catholic Times (5/4)*
- In a submission to the Scottish Government's consultation on hate crimes, the Scottish Catholic Church said the growing use of specific aggravations in law risk a growing 'hierarchy of protected characteristics' which would impede the fundamental right to freedom of expression, even if they are considered by some to be controversial or unwelcome. The Church submission warns that in a climate of heightened sensitivity, the definition of 'hate' has become contentious and open to misuse: 'Care must be taken to allow room for debate and a robust exchange of views, ensuring that 'hate' doesn't include the kind of ordinary discourse where people reasonably hold divergent views.' *The Catholic Universe (5/4)*