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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time – 5/6 February 2022

“I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father.”

John 15, 1

RESURFACING OF SOUTH VIEW AVENUE

South View Avenue is closed for resurfacing on Friday 11th February. The sign says that it will take 2 days but please think about how you will get to Mass that weekend.

MARGARET'S EL CAMINO DE SANTIAGO TREK

Margaret, who some of you may know as a parish steward, will be walking 100KM of The Camino way from the 4th - 10th May, raising funds for Thames Hospice. If you can support her please follow the link to her Just Giving page where there is more information about the hospice and an opportunity to sponsor her and support the wonderful work they do.

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraisin/g/margaret-thomas9>

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR:

- ❖ **CLEANERS:** contact the parish office to say what you can do and when
- ❖ **TEA/COFFEE IN THE CENACLE:** speak to Sharon after Mass.

The more hands, the lighter the work.

DO YOU HAVE A HOOVER IN GOOD WORKING ORDER GOING SPARE?

If you have a hoover in good working order that you don't want any more the parish would be happy to take it off your hands.

No rosary Saturday 12th February.



OUR LADY'S LAMP
This week's lamp is lit for:
Thressia Vargheese RIP

ST ANNE'S SCHOOL PSA QUIZ & CURRY NIGHT

Tickets on sale now for our Quiz & Curry Night on Friday 11th February! Delicious curry kindly donated by Momo House and questions from Quiz Master Mr Gaylor - it's set to be a brilliant evening! First prize £30 John Lewis/Waitrose gift card, with a raffle on the night as well.

Date: Friday 11th February

Time: doors open 7pm, Quiz starts 7.30pm

Where: St Anne's School Hall

Teams: up to 6 adults (adults-only event)

Tickets: £10 including Quiz and curry, or £5 for Quiz only

Bring your own alcoholic drinks and glasses; we'll be selling soft drinks.

Buy your tickets online at www.pta-events.co.uk/stannes-psa

EASTER FLOWER DECORATIONS

Following the success of the Christmas wreath making, an evening making Easter door decorations has been planned. Bring your own flowers of choice and Paul will guide you in making a fabulous decoration. Indulge in a cheeky glass of wine and an evening of fun.

Date: Thurs 31st March

Time: 7.15pm

Place: Cenacle

Cost: donation of £25

Message Tina on 07753 605 972 to secure a place.

PARISH INCOME 12/21/21-9/01/22

GA envelopes: £ 18.00

Loose plate: £210.24

Dec Contactless: £631

Monthly Standing Orders: £2900

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Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year C – Luke): Isaiah, Paul and Peter all experienced the living God although in very different ways. Whether the experience is one of a mystical vision, an appearance of the risen Christ, or a miraculous catch of fish, each of these men finds it a profoundly humbling moment. They all become aware of their own limited and even sinful nature but this is only the first step because each of them, while all too aware of their own weaknesses, knows that they are called to make God known to their contemporaries. The paradox of faith is that it is also the very moment when God makes it known that he needs us.

First Reading (OT): Isaiah 6, 1 – 8: These verses from Isaiah recall the prophet's experience of God in the Jerusalem temple, which led him to offer himself as a preacher of God's word. The date given (the year of King Uzziah's death) is 742 BC and this indicates that the prophet was still quite a young man since we know that his ministry lasted for over forty years. It would seem that, during a liturgy in the temple, Isaiah had a mystical experience of the majesty and glory of God surrounded by the Seraphim which were celestial beings devoted to giving praise to the almighty. Isaiah's immediate response to the divine presence was to become acutely aware of his own sinfulness and to be overwhelmed by the holiness of God. However, in his vision he is cleansed from his sinfulness by the burning coal which touches his lips. Now in this renewed state he hears the voice of God calling out for a messenger and he immediately offers himself. The emphasis in this account is on the holiness of the Lord. He is the transcendent one who is above and beyond all human beings yet who wishes to reveal himself to them and be known by them. The all holy God chooses to need his very limited creatures to make himself known.

Second Reading (NT): 1 Corinthians 15, 1 – 11: In this final section of the letter we have been reading for a few weeks, Paul turns his attention to a problem which some members of the church are having in relation to the resurrection. While people of Jewish background would have had some idea of the resurrection of the dead, it seems that other Christians with a gentile background were casting doubt on the whole idea. Paul begins his answer by stressing that what he had taught them, he himself had first been taught when he came to the faith. This was that Christ died for our sins and that he rose from the dead and appeared to many disciples. This is the steadfast tradition and to it Paul adds his own experience of the risen Christ. There is no doubt in Paul's mind that the teaching on the resurrection of Jesus forms the central core of the faith to which he has devoted his whole life.

Gospel: Luke 5, 1 – 11: Luke links the call of the first disciples with the story of a miraculous catch of fish. In so doing he introduces us not only to Peter but also to the mission of the church. Just as Peter's call comes out of his experience of the power of Christ at work, so too all who wish to be followers of Jesus must come to know that their faith is in a person, Jesus the Son of the living God.

Mass Intentions for Fifth week in Ordinary Time

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Saturday	5 th February	17.30	Arthur Taylor RIP
Sunday	6 th February	10.00	Zygmunt Powiecki
Monday	7 th February	No Mass	
<i>Monday of week 5 in Ordinary Time</i>			
Tuesday	8 th February	No Mass	
<i>Memorial of St Jerome Emiliani</i>			
Wednesday	9 th February	No Mass	
<i>Wednesday of week 5 in Ordinary Time</i>			
Thursday	10 th February	No Mass	
<i>Memorial of St Scholastica, Virgin</i>			
Friday	11 th February	No Mass	
<i>Memorial of Our Lady of Lourdes</i>			
Saturday	12 th February	No Mass	
<i>Memorial of Our Lady on Saturday</i>			

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Saturday	12 th February	17.30	Jennifer Forster
Sunday	13 th February	10.00	Our Lady & St Anne

No rosary Saturday 12th February