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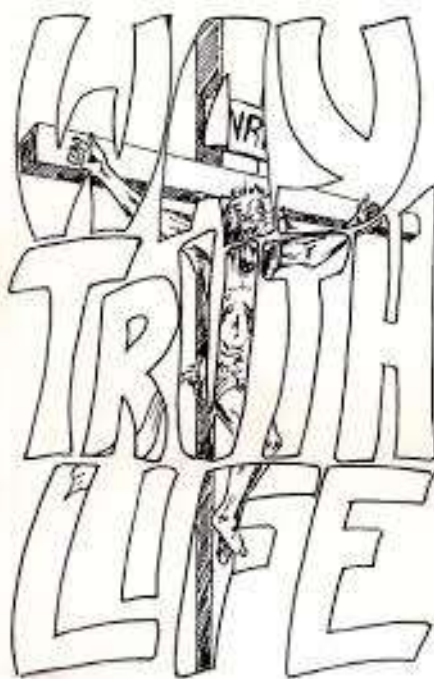
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Fifth Sunday of Easter, Year A

6th – 7th May 2023

I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

Jn 14:1-12

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

The Saint Vincent de Paul Conference of Our Lady and Saint Anne invites our senior parishioners to join us in the Cenacle on **Saturday 20 May** from 3 – 5pm for a Spring Afternoon Tea.

Numbers are limited so *please sign up at the back of church.*

A suggested donation of £5 per person would be gratefully received, with all funds going to the Saint Vincent de Paul Society. Thank you.

The Saint Vincent de Paul Conference would like to thank all parishioners who attended the Lent soup event on Friday's.

The donations have been passed to Saint Mungo's charity to support the homeless. We have donated a number of basic mobile phones so that outreach workers can make vital calls to their clients to check on their health and wellbeing. Thank you again for your generous donations.

RIP Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

- ❖ Clair Lee – funeral here at Our Lady & St Anne's on Friday 12th May @ 10am.
- ❖ Una Whitbread - funeral in church on Friday 19th May @10.30am.

VOLUNTEER FIRE MARSHALS

Are you interested in becoming a volunteer Fire Marshall, supporting weekday or weekend masses? Role involves assisting with safe evacuation in the event of fire and promoting and maintaining fire safety. No previous experience necessary and training will be provided. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

TUESDAY TEA & COFFEE

There is no tea/coffee on **Tuesday 9th May.**

WEEKLY PARISH INCOME

16/04/23	23/04/23
C'tless: £ 73.00	C'less: £115.00
Loose plate £257.02	Loose plate £318.68
Holy Places £447.00	Candles £ 62.89
Our Ladys Lamp £10	Cotham total £ 527.70
Weekly S Orders:£590	Weekly S Orders: £590

CORONATION WEEKEND

Our prayers go with His Majesty King Charles III and Queen Consort Camilla this weekend as King Charles formally ascends the throne. Prayer cards available at the back of church for anyone who would like take one home.

PARISH YOUTH GROUP

We are setting up a Youth Group! This will be a social space for children from Year 7 upwards. Our confirmation candidates will also be invited to join after their confirmation, even if they have a few months of Year 6 left!

It will run on the 3rd Sunday of every month, in the cenacle. We also hope to arrange trips once we get up and running.

If you are an adult able to *help* us, we'd love to hear from you. Please speak to Clare after mass or contact her on 07900 582247. You will have to complete a safeguarding DBS check.

If you would like to *attend* our Youth group then watch this space. Details on how to register will be published soon!

VACANCY AT ST ANNES SCHOOL

The school seeks to appoint an assistant head with responsibility for teaching and learning. The role involves supporting the head to lead on teaching and learning and a KS2 teaching post. Full details on noticeboard. Closing date 4pm 17th May.

MUSIC GROUP

If you would like to get involved please speak to somebody in the current group after Mass.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

18th June Glass Ensemble Concert [choir] in church – featuring a member of the church choir

OUR LADY'S LAMP

This week's lamp is lit for:

Terry Colehan

Please keep him in your prayers.



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Background on the Sunday Readings

The readings for the last few Sundays have been about the Resurrection, but today's Gospel takes us back in time to an event in Jesus' life before his Passion. Jesus tells his disciples that he is going to prepare a place for them in his Father's house. He promises that where he is going, his disciples will be able to follow. Thomas, who will later doubt the disciples' reports that they have seen the Risen Lord, contradicts Jesus by saying that the disciples don't know where Jesus is going or how to get there. Jesus explains that he himself is the way, the truth, and the life. In knowing and loving Jesus, the disciples now love God the Father.

Philip then makes a request that challenges Jesus' words. Philip wants Jesus to show the Father to the disciples. Recall that Jesus has just told his disciples, "If you know me, then you will also know my Father. From now on you do know him and have seen him." As a good teacher, Jesus responds to Philip by repeating and elaborating on what he has just told the disciples: they have seen and known Jesus, so they have seen and known the Father. Then Jesus offers another reassurance about his departure: because of faith in God and in Jesus, the disciples will do the work that Jesus has done and more.

The connection between Jesus and his Father, between Jesus' work and the work of the Father, is made clear in today's Gospel. Jesus is in the Father, and God the Father is in Jesus. As God spoke his name to Moses, "I am," so too Jesus speaks his name to his disciples: "I am the way and the truth and the life."

The revelation of the Trinity is completed in the passage that follows today's reading, and it is the Gospel for next Sunday. Because Jesus goes away, the Father will send in Jesus' name the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, who will continue the work of the Father and of Jesus

Taken from: Loyola press Sunday connection

Mass intentions for Fifth Week of Easter

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Year A

Saturday	6 th May	5.30pm	People of parish
Sunday	7 th May	10.00am	Zygmunt Powiecki RIP

Monday 8th May 10.00am Private intention

Monday of the fifth week of Easter

Tuesday 9th May 9.15am Sean McCarthy RIP

Tuesday of the fifth week of Easter

Wednesday 10th May No Mass

Memorial of St John of Avila, Priest, Doctor of the Church

Thursday 11th May 7.30pm Private intention

Thursday of the fifth week of Easter

Friday 12th May 9.15am Private intention

Memorial of Ss Nereus & Achilleus, Martyrs [school Mass]

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Year A

Saturday	13 th May	5.30pm	Peter Commons
Sunday	14 th May	10.00am	People of the parish

No Rosary this weekend. It will start again 20th May.