

St Mary-on-the-Quay

Fifth Week of Easter (Year C)

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› GOSPEL MEDITATION

Jn 13: 31-35

Today we read Jesus' last words to his disciples: Love one another. It's easy to love people when all is going well. It's when things begin to go wrong that arguments enter the picture. It doesn't take long before different opinions or factions emerge: it certainly happened in the early church. Loving other people does not mean we agree with everything they do but it does mean that we try to understand where they are coming from. It also means that we work to improve things between us. Jesus could see how easy it would be for his new, young church to give way to argument and bitter disagreements, and sadly the history of the Church through the centuries, right up until today, shows that this happened. He stresses that the only important thing is that we should love one another. He sends us the Holy Spirit to help us to truly love and the saints to inspire us. Love is His absolute priority.

➤ MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 19th Mass at 9.30am (Camille and Benoit Spec Int), Solemn Mass at 11.00am (Debbie McNerney Get Well) Mass at 5.15pm (Anna McGinn Get Well)

Monday 20th Mass at 12.15pm (Fr Gilles In Thanksgiving)

Tuesday 21st Mass at 12.15pm (12.15pm Ned Edwards RIP)

Wednesday 22nd Mass at 12.15pm (Fr Gilles In Thanksgiving)

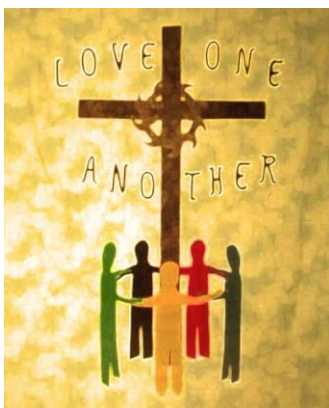
Thursday 23rd Mass at 12.15pm (Franleze Roughan Spec Int)

Friday 24th Mass at 12.15pm (John Mohan RIP),

Saturday 25th Mass at 12.15pm (Joseph Edwards RIP)

First Mass of Sunday Mass at 6.15pm (Margaret Markowska RIP)

We Pray for the Sick in the Parish & Those Known to Us



Please take a copy of this newsletter home for your information.

Space for God

The next session of the Space for God series is on Thursday 6th June at 7.30pm in the Middle Hall. The topic will be "The Sacred Silence in the Holy Eucharistic". Silence in the liturgy is the moment in which one listens with greater attention to the voice of God and internalises His word, so that it bears the fruit of sanctity in daily life. The liturgical silence should put us face to face with God in a personal relationship of intense intimacy. Liturgical silence is truly sacred because it is the spiritual place to realise the adherence of our whole life to the life of the Lord; it is the space of the prolonged "amen" of the heart surrendering to the love of God and embracing that love as a new criterion of our own existence. All are welcome.

Sunday 5.15pm Choir

We would like to invite anyone who can sing or play an instrument (especially people who can play the organ) to join the new choir which sings every other Sunday at 5.15pm on weeks two and four of the month. We would like the choir to sing a mixture of more contemporary songs interspersed with music from all over the world, to represent the truly international community in our church. If you would like to join, then please email Robert on smqbristol@outlook.com

International Masses at Pentecost

On the Solemnity of Pentecost, Sunday 9th June, there will be two International Masses at 11am and 5.15pm. There will be readings, Bidding Prayers and hymns from different countries and languages.

Gift Aid Envelopes Ready for Collection

Thank you to all of you who signed the Gift Aid declaration forms last week. Your envelopes are now ready for collection in the Sacristy before or after Mass.

Donating by Gift Aid

Please can we ask again for any UK Tax payers to fill in the form on the table at the back of the church so that we can issue you with envelopes for your donations. For every pound you donate we can claim an additional 25p from the Inland Revenue. All you have to do is fill in the form and bring it to the Sacristy and we will do the rest!

Day of Retreat

A Day of Retreat for people bereaved by a suicide led by Jola Malin, author of 'Carry a Whisper'; a book on her own experiences of complex grief following the suicide of her sister. Monday 8th July at Brownhill Monastery, Brownhill, Glos. For directions please see the website; www.bernardine.org/brownhill-hospitality. The day is designed for a small group, in a supportive environment, with gentle creative exercises. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. To book a place, ask about payment (£30 for the day) and any other details please contact Jola by email; yolazart@hotmail.co.uk

Young Adult Prayer Group

The group invites and welcomes all young adults, students or anyone new to this parish, ages 18 to 30's, praying to God, socialising and making friends with others from many different nationalities and backgrounds. "One Heart Many Faces" is the spirit of the group. The group meets every Saturday at 7.30pm in the Middle Hall (entrance through the church). For further information please see Fr Vinsen or Fr Paul. Or, just come along!

New to the Parish? If you are new to the parish and would like to receive our newsletter by email or register for Gift Aid donations, please fill in the forms on the table at the back of the church.

Gift Aiding Your Donations

If you are a UK tax payer please could we ask you to complete the form on the table at the back of the church so that your donation can be Gift Aided? For every one pound you give we can claim another 25p from the tax office.

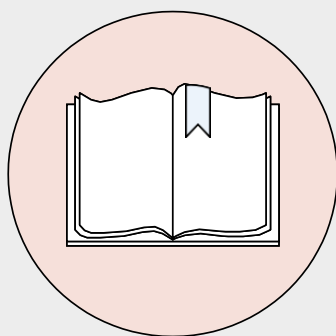
This applies to anyone donating on a regular basis or those visiting the church. If you are a visitor, please use the Ad Hoc Gift Aid envelopes on the table at the back of the church.

Thank you for your support.



Lectio Divina

The group meets on Wednesdays from 7.30pm to 8.30pm in the Middle Hall (entrance through the church)



Gospel Readings for Weekdays »

Monday 20th Jn 14:21-26. The Advocate, whom the father will send in my name, will teach you everything.

Tuesday 21st Jn 14:27-31. A peace the world cannot give is my gift to you.

Wednesday 22nd Jn 15:1-8. I am the vine, you are the branches.

Thursday 23rd Jn 15:9-11. Remain in my love.

Friday 24th Jn 15:12-17. *Memorial of Saint Aldhelm, Bishop.* What I command you is to love one another.

Saturday 25th Jn 15:18-21. *Memorial of Saint Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church.* The world hated me before it hated you.

Readings for next Sunday »

Sixth Sunday of Easter.

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| First Reading | : | Acts 15:1-2, 22-29 |
| Psalm | : | Ps: 66 |
| Second Reading | : | Apoc 21:10-14, 22-23 |
| Gospel | : | Jn 14:23-29 |



Activities & Groups

Wednesday: RCIA Meeting at 6pm, Lectio Divina Meeting at 7.30pm, Divine Mercy & Padre Pio Prayer Group after 12.15pm Mass (every 1st Wednesday)

Friday: The 1st Friday of the month - Holy Hour after 5.30pm Mass (every 1st Friday), Knitting Group after the 12.15pm Mass (every 3rd Friday)

Saturday: Young Adult Prayer Group "One Heart Many Faces" at 7.30pm.

For Baptisms and Marriages please call 0117 926 4702 or email smqbristol@outlook.com. Marriages require six months' notice.

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› MASS TIMES

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| <i>Sunday</i> | 9.30am; 11.00am; 5.15pm |
| <i>Monday – Thursday</i> | 12.15pm |
| <i>Friday</i> | 12.15pm; 5.30pm (First Friday Only) |
| <i>Saturday</i> | 12.15pm; 6.15pm (First Mass of Sunday) |
| <i>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament</i> | 11.30am to 12.10pm Monday to Saturday |
| <i>The Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)</i> | Celebrated Monday to Saturday before the Lunch-time Mass from 11.45am until 12.10pm or by appointment |
| <i>Rosary Prayer</i> | Monday to Saturday after the lunch time Mass |
| <i>Children's Liturgy of the Word</i> | Sunday at the 11am Mass |

Finance Matters

First Collection: £600.86
 Gift Aid Envelopes: £130.00
 Non-Gift Aid Envelopes: £44.00
 Sunday Coffee: £17.99
 Flowers: £2.00
 Maintenance Box: £33.77
 Church Heating Box: £1.46
 Candles: £90.04
 Booklets: £1.34
Total Income for the week: £921.46

Other Charities:

Mission Outreach: £38.27
 Poor Box St Anthony £45.91
 Second Collection: Clergy Training £287.36

Thank you for your ongoing support.

If you would like to donate by Debit or Credit Card, please come to the Sacristy before or after Mass on Sundays or, during the week.