



Our Lady of Lourdes Harpenden

19th MAY 2015
SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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Cornelius was a Roman centurion, 'devout and God-fearing', who had a vision which told him to find a man called Simon, known as Peter. Peter at the same time had a vision which showed Peter that the old categories of clean and unclean animals, vitally important for Jews, did not have to be observed by Christians. Cornelius, as a Gentile, would have had problems. Peter's vision meant that Gentiles could become Christians without them - which removed a great obstacle to conversion. Now read on! And hear the Psalm which invites all the earth to shout to the Lord. The Gospel and second Reading are about the great commandment that we must follow having become Christians: love one another, since love comes from God. The Gospel passage sounds so familiar we must have heard it some other day surely? No, this is the only Sunday in the three years when it is read. The general message is that of Maundy Thursday. What a difference Easter makes, though. We hear these words at a time of joy with Alleluias all around.

SMILE LINES

A mother went into the Barber Shop and asked the owner “When would be the best time to bring my two year old son?” The Barber said, “When he’s four”.

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Married

How many women can one man marry? A little boy who attended his first wedding worked that one out pretty quickly: the answer is 16. It is easy, if you think about it. Four better, four worse, four richer, four poorer. Comes to 16.

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Five exercises

that all priests should avoid – at all costs

Beating your head against a brick wall; climbing the walls; beating your own drum; dragging your heels; jumping to conclusions; grasping at straws; fishing for compliments; throwing your weight around; passing the buck; using clichés.

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Did you know?

After two weeks of wear a pair of jeans will have grown a 1,000 strong colony of bacteria on the front; 1,500-2,500 on the back and 10,000 between the knees.

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If all the salt in the sea were spread all over the land, it would be 500 ft thick.

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MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday 9th May

10.00am Intention of MB

6.00pm Imola Maldini (RIP) Anniv.

Sunday 10th May 6th Sunday of Easter

8.30am Margaret Foulds (RIP)

9.45am Peter Vasquez (RIP)

11.30am Intention of TB.

Monday 11th May

9.15am People of the Parish

Tuesday 12th May

9.15am Intention of Eric Harber

Wednesday 13th May

9.15am Intention of Ruth and Kevin.

Thursday 14th May

11.00am Service of the Word

Friday 15st May

9.15am Vincent Nathan (RIP) Anniv.

Saturday 16th May

10.00am Matthew Morris (RIP)

6.00pm Thomas & Edith Dare (RIP) .

Sunday 17th May

8.30am Ursula Parrot (RIP) Anniv.

9.45am Bernadette & Ken Woodcock RIP

11.30am Paul Murphy (RIP)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 10.30am - 11.00am and after the 6.00pm Mass.

QUOTE -

“The Christian is a man or woman of history, because he does not pertain to himself alone – he is inserted into a people, a people that is on a journey. One cannot imagine a Christian selfishness.”

Pope Francis