



**JESUS SAID  
I AM THE WAY  
THE TRUTH  
AND  
THE LIFE**

**Sunday 10th May 2020**

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# FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Welcome to our 'On Line' Newsletter during this difficult time for all of us. It should be easier to read and to download and print if you so wish. Please use the readings and reflection as part of your spiritual Communion and with any streamlining Masses in which you may be watching and participating.

**Sunday cycle**  
Readings Year A

**Weekday Readings**  
Easter week 5

**Divine Office**  
Easter week 1

For children,  
download a weekly sheet:  
[http://www.sdc.me.uk/  
sundayliturgy/](http://www.sdc.me.uk/sundayliturgy/)

## THIS WEEK

- Sun 10 May FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
9.30am For the people of the parish  
Gregory Motias Dias RIP &  
Thomas Dias RIP
- Mon 11 May Easter feria**  
9.30am sandra Costella RIP  
Dermot Clancy RIP
- Tues 12 May S. Pancras, Martyr**  
9.30am Rosie Pinto RIP  
Vincent Chute RIP
- Weds 13 May Our Lady of Fatima**  
9.30am Nick O'Halloran Ints  
Edward Johnston RIP
- Thurs 14 May S. MATTHIAS**  
9.30am Martin Kelly Ints
- Fri 15 May Easter feria**  
9.30am Thomas & Peggy Maloney Ints
- Sat 16 May Easter feria**  
9.30am Christiine McL
- Sun 17 May SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER**  
9.30am For the people of the parish  
Matlida Cardozo &  
John Baptiste Fernandes RIP

## TODAY'S MASS

**"Christ is our Way, Truth  
and Life"**



*We are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God. God has poured out all these gifts on us through the Holy spirit. We are to devote ourselves to proclaiming God's Word revealed in Christ, and to trust that Christ always has a special love and care for us.*

**First Reading:** Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

The early Christian community chooses seven people to serve at table so that the Twelve can devote themselves to prayer and the ministry of the word.

**Responsorial Psalm:** Psalm 33:1-2,4-5,18-19

The Lord is merciful toward those who trust in him.

**Second Reading:** 1 Peter 2:4-9

Those who have faith are chosen in Christ to be a holy priesthood.

**Gospel Reading:** John 14:1-12

Jesus tells his disciples, "I am the way and the truth and the life."

## SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

**"A humble soul does not trust itself, but places all its confidence in God."**  
St. Faustina

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# GOSPEL REFLECTION

## FOR YOUR PRAYERS

**SICK & HOUSEBOUND:** Michael Fahey, Anne Hull, Catherine Kevill, Margaret O'Shea, Edith Geissler, Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, John and Angela McCarthy, Germaine Duffner, Patrick McDonagh, Paul Turnbull, Tom Fernandes.

**RECENTLY DEPARTED:** Azar Hasht Farshid Javadi, John Calnan, Barbara McNicholas, Jay Bhatt

**ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED:** Fr Raphael Paliakara SDB, Fr Andreas Kindo SDB, Bro. Shino Joseph SDB

### WE PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

- ◆ ALL WHO WORK IN THE NHS AT THIS TIME.
- ◆ DOCTORS, NURSES & SUPPORT STAFF.
- ◆ ALL WHO ARE SICK IN ANY WAY.
- ◆ THE ELDERLY & VULNERABLE.
- ◆ FOR OUR POLITICIANS MAKING DIFFICULT DECISIONS.
- ◆ FOR THE RESIDENTS OF OUR CARE HOMES AND ALL WHO WORK THERE.

### INTENTIONS OF POPE FRANCIS FOR MAY

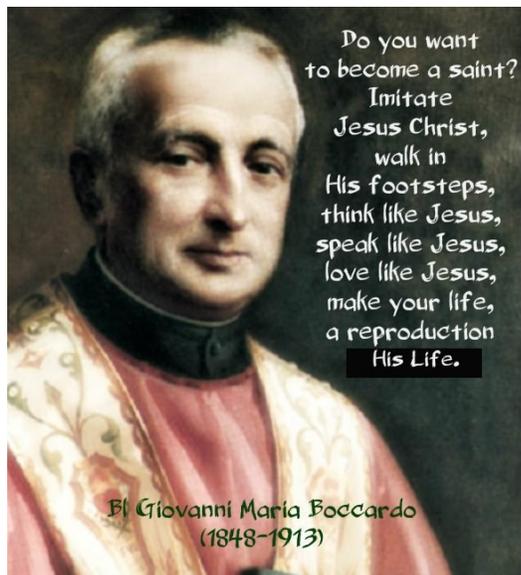
**For Deacons:** We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

### SANCTUARY LAMP

has been sponsored this week for  
**JOE & GEORGE MYLES RIP**

### LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

has been sponsored this week for  
**ALL SITTING EXAMS AT THIS TIME "ON LINE"**



As much as we try to avoid it, we all inevitably encounter troubles and trials, and sometimes more than we think we can handle! Jesus knew that his disciples would have to face adversity and trials after he left them to return to his Father. Jesus assured them that his departure is for their good, in order to secure a place for them in God's house – a place of refuge, peace, and everlasting happiness. If the Father's home in heaven is our destination, how can we find our way without a map or a guide? The scriptures speak of the way that leads to peace and union with God. *You shall not turn aside to the right hand or to the left. You shall walk in all the way which the Lord your God has commanded you* (Deuteronomy 5:32-33).

Jesus proclaims: *I am the Way*. The Lord does not simply give counsel and direction. He personally is the Way, and we cannot miss it if we follow him. He leads and guides us personally every day. The Lord Jesus also is the *Truth*. Many can say, "I have taught you the truth." Only Jesus can say, *I am the Truth*. Moral truth cannot be conveyed in words alone; it must be conveyed in example. Jesus embodies the truth in his person. Jesus also is the *Life*. He not only *shows us the path of life* (Psalm 16:11); he gives the kind of life which only God can give – eternal and abundant life.

Jesus shows us the true aim and purpose for our life – what we were created for – and what we should strive for with all of our strength and being. What is that purpose? To *know* God. What is the best thing in life, bringing more joy, contentment, life and happiness, than anything else? Knowledge of God! One of the greatest truths of the Christian faith is that we can know the living God. Our knowledge of God is not simply limited to knowing something about God, but we can know God personally. The essence of Christianity, and what makes it distinct from Judaism and other religions, is the knowledge of God as our *Father*. Jesus makes it possible for each of us to personally know God as *our* Father. To see Jesus is to see what God is like. In Jesus we see the perfect love of God – a God who cares intensely and who yearns over men and women, loving them to the point of laying down his life for them upon the Cross. Jesus is the revelation of God – a God who loves us completely, unconditionally, and perfectly for our good.

# NEWS UPDATE



**ABOUT THE FUTURE OF COMING BACK TO MASS ION CHURCH?** Well, things are very uncertain at the moment and the government will give us some clues this Sunday. Hopefully churches will re-open soon for private prayer though much depends on us to be sensible and responsible at this time. Maybe after a while small funerals and baptisms may take place with social distancing in place. As for returning to mass—this is much more difficult to predict. We are a big Community and social distancing would be almost impossible under the present way of being. Let's really pray that together we can find a way forward though this difficult situation.. Hopefully some "road map" will begin to appear so we can see where we are going.

**YOU CAN FIND POSSIBILITIES FOR JOINING MASS LIVE-STREAMING**  
<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/sudbury/pray-at-home/> <https://www.ealing.gov.uk/coronavirus>

**WHILST THE CHURCH IS CLOSED** please know we try to continue as normal behind the doors. Mass is offered every day for you, your loved ones, all the sick and the departed.

**MAY** is the Month traditionally dedicated to Our Blessed Lady. Many families have discovered during this difficult time the importance of the prayer of the rosary. Why not give it ago either by yourself or with your family?

**POPE FRANCIS INSTITUTES PRAYERS TO OUR LADY.** In his letter on the month of May, Pope Francis has provided two new prayers which he encourages us to recite at the end of the Rosary and can be found here <https://rcdow.org.uk/news/pope-francis-provides-new-prayers-to-our-lady/> Especially in this month where we express devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the pope encourages us to 'pray the Rosary at home within the family', recognising that 'the restrictions of the pandemic have made us come to appre-

ciate all the more this "family" aspect, also from a spiritual point of view.'

**SPREAD THE WORD AROUND** that we are producing this "On Line" newsletter each week.

**A PRACTICAL NOTE:** If there is anything urgent or desperate, always phone one of us in the Presbytery.

**ST MICHAEL'S CATHOLIC GRAMMAR SCHOOL - COVID-19 - ADMISSIONS UPDATE**

We are currently continuing with our Admissions timetable as set out for entry September 2021 and the same deadlines apply. Please check our website <https://www.st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk/school/admissions-2021-22/> for the updated information and forms on changes that have been implemented due to social distancing restrictions. Completed applications can be submitted electronically to [admissions@st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk](mailto:admissions@st-michaels.barnet.sch.uk). Any changes required to reflect Government direction with lockdown will be announced on the school website. Please check periodically to stay up to date.

**SVP UPDATE** - Thank you to all our SVP volunteers who have been helping to support vulnerable people in the Parish during the Coronavirus Pandemic. Through Caritas, the SVP Group has obtained a number of **supermarket vouchers to help those struggling financially.** If you know of anyone in the Parish who would benefit from this support and would be open to receive it please contact our SVP Group on 0208 9000250 or 0775 3654154 (Theresa) or email [StGeorgeSVP@pm.me](mailto:StGeorgeSVP@pm.me).

**MASS INTENTIONS.** We are still taking Mass intentions and are now taking bookings from July onwards. If you would like to book a Mass please telephone the presbytery. Please note that at the moment the parish office is closed.

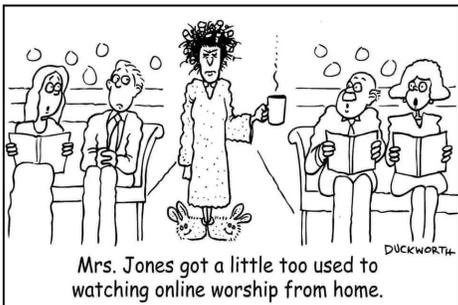


**"I AM"**  
**THE WAY, TRUTH, & THE LIFE**  
 Discover the hidden words.

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**Word Bank**

SALVATION	HEAVEN	WRONG
PREPARE	LORD	SPIRITUALLY
JACOB	LIFE	JESUS
ANGELS	FATHER	MESSIAH



**St Vincent de Paul Society**  
 The Catholic Parish of St George, Sudbury

**Help during the Coronavirus outbreak**

Do you need help with tasks such as shopping, posting letters and urgent supplies during the current Coronavirus outbreak?

Are you feeling isolated and just want to have a chat with a friendly person over the phone?

If you would like practical assistance or if you know of someone who may need some help, please contact us so that we can be ready to assist you when you need it.

If you are referring someone else, please make sure that they are happy for you to provide their details and for us to contact them.

Please contact St George's SVP  
 Tel. 0208 9000250 or 0775 3654154 (Theresa)  
 email: [StGeorgeSVP@pm.me](mailto:StGeorgeSVP@pm.me)

Turning concern into action  
 The St Vincent de Paul Society (England & Wales) is a registered charity number: 1053992

# SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

## Entrance Antiphon Cf. Ps 98 (97): 1-2

O sing a new song to the Lord,  
for he has worked wonders;  
in the sight of the nations  
he has shown his deliverance, alleluia.

## Collect

Almighty ever-living God,  
constantly accomplish the Paschal  
Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy  
Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to  
the joys of life eternal.  
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,  
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God, for ever and ever.

## First Reading: Acts 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, "It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word." The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them. The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

## Responsorial psalm: 32

*R./ May your love be upon us, O Lord,  
as we place all our trust in you.*

1. Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just;  
for praise is fitting for loyal hearts.  
Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp,  
with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. **R./**

2. From the word of the Lord is faithful  
and all his works to be trusted.  
The Lord loves justice and right  
and fills the earth with his love. **R./**

3. The Lord looks on those who revere him,  
on those who hope in his love,  
to rescue their soul from death,  
to keep them alive in famine. **R./**

## Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual

house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them. But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing

## Gospel Acclamation:

**Alleluia, Alleluia! Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the father except through me.", Alleluia!**

## Gospel: John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house if there were not, I should have told you.

I am now going to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too. You know the way to the place where I am going."

Thomas said, "Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?" Jesus said: "I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too. From this moment you know him and have seen him."

Philip said, "Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied."

"Have I been with you all this time, Philip," said Jesus to him "and you still do not know me? To have seen me is to have seen the Father so how can you say, 'Let us see the Father'?

Do you not believe that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:

It is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.

You must believe me when I say that I am in the Father and the Father is in me; believe it on the evidence of this work,

if for no other reason. I tell you most solemnly, whoever believes in me will perform the same works as I do myself, he will perform even greater works, because I am going to the Father."

## Prayer over the Offerings

O God, who by the wonderful exchange effected in this sacrifice have made us partakers of the one supreme Godhead, grant, we pray, that, as we have come to know your truth, we may make it ours by a worthy way of life.

Through Christ our Lord.

## Communion Antiphon Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5

I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, and I in him, bears fruit in plenty, alleluia.

## Prayer after Communion

Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord, and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life.

Through Christ our Lord.