St Peter's Bulletin for The Most Holy Trinity – Sunday 7th June 2020 – Year A

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A thought for Easter: In Matthew's Gospel chapter 28 verses 16 to 20, Jesus commissions the apostles to 'Go, therefore, make disciples of all the nations; baptise them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit...'. Jesus sends them out into the world to bring the message of salvation to the ends of the earth. For Matthew this is particularly significant because of his emphasis of Jesus as the new Moses (Sermon on the Mount). When God commissioned Moses to go and bring the people of Israel out of slavery in Egypt, He tells him to report that 'the God of Abraham, the God of Isaac, and the God of Jacob has sent me to you'. Traditionally, Abraham represents God the Father because he is to be the Father of many nations. Isaac symbolises God the Son, whom Abraham was prepared to offer as a sacrifice. The Holy Spirit is signified by Jacob who, as the father of the twelve tribes, was at the foundation of the House of Israel as the Holy Spirit was at the foundation of the Church. Jesus now reveals the full meaning of who God is to the apostles that they may lead all people out of slavery to the freedom of being children of His whom He loves.

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Volunteers needed

In a few weeks our churches should be able to re-open for private visits to the Blessed Sacrament. This should be at least by the 4th July, but may be earlier. We will need some volunteers who are prepared to be on hand for a limited period during the daytime to ensure that visitors observe social distancing and routes into and out of the church, as well as wiping down surfaces where people have been sitting or kneeling during their stay. The necessary materials and protection will be provided. If you are interested please let Fr David know on 01253 737037. We will work out the details of how this will work in the days ahead. It is not envisaged at this time that we will be able to hold any services in church at this next stage, but it would be very important to be able to facilitate people making visits to the church. It is a move in the right direction at least.

How to make an Act of Perfect Contrition

Perfect Contrition is a grace from God, so sincerely ask for this gift throughout the day prior to making your act of contrition: "My God, grant me perfect contrition for all my sins".

1. In reality or imagination kneel at the foot of a crucifix and say to yourself: "Jesus, my God and my Saviour, in the midst of your agony, you remembered me, you suffered for me, you wished to wipe away my sins"

2. Contrition is 'perfect' if you repent of your sins because you love God and are sorry for offending Him and causing the sufferings of Christ on the cross. Before the Crucified Christ remember your sins, repent of them because they have brought our Lord to His sufferings on the Cross. Promise him, that with His help, you will not sin again.

3. Recite, slowly and sincerely, an act of contrition focused on the goodness of God and your love of Jesus: "O my God, because you are so good, I am very sorry that I have sinned against you and by the help of your grace I will not sin again. Amen".

4. Make a firm resolution to go to sacramental confession as soon as practically possible.

How to make a Spiritual Communion

Desire, with earnest longing, to receive our Lord present — Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity — in the Blessed Sacrament. Say this prayer of St. Alphonsus de' Ligouri: "My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire You in my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. As though You are already there, I embrace You and unite myself wholly to You; do not let me ever be separated from You. Amen".

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CONTRIBUTING AT THE PRESENT TIME

The parish still needs your financial support during these difficult times. If you would like to donate by **Standing Order, Online Banking or by Cheque** please contact the parish website and we will be pleased to give you details as to how you can do this.

During the month of May contributions/donations received from all sources totalled \pounds 3646 (including a single donation of \pounds 2000). Our most sincere thanks and appreciation to all who have contributed.

THE MONTH OF JUNE IS DEDICATED TO THE SACRED HEART

The Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart of Jesus on the Friday following the 2nd Sunday of Pentecost. Jesus said to St Margaret Mary Alacoque -"Behold this Heart which has loved mankind so much, and yet they do not want to love me in return. Through you, My divine Heart wishes to spread its love everywhere on earth".

FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK: Please continue to pray for:

Frank Loftus, Jennie Antoine, Anne Jones, Jean Bolton, Graham Bentley, Mgr Jim Hook, Fred & Mary Wylie, Bobby Kelly, Ruth Whiteside, Anne Smith, Kath Hywel-Buckley, Joe Ainsworth, Rose Moss, John Lavelle, Mattie Simpson, Margaret Fearn, Joan Woodcock, Iain Fair, and all those in the Hospice, Hospital, Rest Homes & the Convents. *May God give them His healing grace.*

ANNIVERSARIES Please remember in your prayers those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Thomas Thistleton, John Morrison, Agnes Singleton, Eva Little, Margaret Carey, Mary Tomlinson, Ellen Forshaw, Christine Baird, Muriel Johnson, Anthony McNulty, Alice Harrison, Brennetta Judson, Kathleen Ford, Eileen Wall, Jennie Hothersall, Bill Hothersall, Margaret Fuller, Marie Hoyle. *May they rest in peace. Amen.*

> This Week's Memorials: <u>Tues.</u> St Columba, Abbot & St Ephraem, Deacon & Doctor. <u>Thurs:</u> St. Barnabas, Apostle. <u>Sat:</u> St. Anthony of Padua, Priest & Doctor.

Reminders: Next Sunday (14th) Solemnity of Corpus Christi. Friday (19th) Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. Saturday (20th) Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

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