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Sunday, 21st May 2023

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR A

Mass Intention: Hugh & Dorothy Dermott RIP

Entrance Hymn: 706

Offertory Hymn: 356

Communion Hymn: 965

Recessional Hymn: 945

Kyrie: 521

Gloria: 998

Sanctus: 559

Acclamation: 561(2)

Great Amen: 562

Agnus Dei: 592

The obligation for the faithful to attend Holy Mass on a Sunday or Holy Day of Obligation has been reinstated. Pastoral consideration for the vulnerable and those isolating is imperative and appropriate dispensations remain in place for them.

WELCOME EVERYONE

For our celebration today you will require a Mass Sheet, a hymn book and a copy of any Mass Settings that we are using, all of which are available from the Welcome Team.

Children over 4 years old are invited to go to their liturgy with the Catechetical Team following the introduction to the Mass and return at the offertory. Activity bags, containing appropriate books and other materials, hanging on the chairs at the back of church may be borrowed to keep children engaged during Mass. Please replace them after use.

After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team: Mrs M Allen; Mrs O Beattie

Readers: Mr T Banda; Mrs O Beattie

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs R Nash

THIS WEEK

The Cathedral is open every working day from **1000hrs - 1600hrs**

Mon 22nd May: *St Rita of Cascia, religious*

Tue 23rd May: *Feria of Easter Week 7, Year I*

1300hrs – Funeral Mass (Zoom available)

Pat Watmore RIP

Wed 24th May: *Feria of Easter Week 7, Year I*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week III)

1200hrs – Holy Mass (Zoom available)

All who work in and for communications

Thu 25th May: *St Bede the Venerable, priest, doctor*

Fri 26th May: *St Philip Neri, priest*

1400hrs – Holy Rosary

1430hrs – Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

1545hrs – Holy Communion outside of Mass

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team: Mr T Booth; Mrs L Orme

Readers: Mr B McMahan; Mrs C Pritchard

Children's Liturgy Lead: Mrs P Ryan

PRAYER INTENTIONS

Please keep the members of our Armed Forces, their families and all support staff, in your personal intercessions.

CHARITABLE GENEROSITY

Many thanks to all who contributed to the latest donation made to the local Food Bank. £345 was handed over by Mary Casey on our behalf and a letter of acknowledgment is on the noticeboard.

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 862 8012 7541

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86280127541?pwd=SmNKQ0x3b0VvR053MVBRVEUrMldkdz09> Passcode: 894776

Tuesday's Funeral Mass Zoom details – ID: 895 3000 6049

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89530006049?pwd=aS9tWDlqc3hTTk8vbDZmalo5cERLQT09> Passcode: 379906

Wednesday's Mass Zoom Invitation details – ID: 854 1622 3752

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85416223752?pwd=b2t0WTI3R0FvVnAvcGNibVpFdmc5dz09> Passcode: 730956

TODAY'S COMMEMORATION

The theme for the 57th World Communications Day is: Speaking with the heart. "The truth in love" (Eph 4:15). The Pope hails the example of the great Doctor of the Church, St Francis de Sales, and his commitment to patient, heartfelt dialogue with everyone – even those who opposed him. A gifted theologian, his phrase "Heart speaks to heart" inspired many, none more so than the recently canonised Saint John Henry Newman who, on being made a Cardinal in 1879 by Pope Leo XIII, chose as his cardinalatial motto, *Cor ad cor loquitur*. 'Heart speaks unto heart' was also the motto for Pope Benedict XVI's historic visit to the UK in 2010. The full text of the Pope's message may be found on the noticeboard and the Bishopric website.

UNIVERSAL SOLIDARITY

During a meeting with the head of the Coptic Orthodox Church, Pope Francis announced that he would be adding Coptic martyrs killed by Daesh (ISIS) in 2015 to the Roman Catholic Church's calendar. See more at: www.indcatholicnews.com/news/47150

FAITHFUL WITNESS

The Prime Minister's Special Envoy for Freedom of Religion or Belief will receive a petition calling for justice on behalf of victims of a massacre carried out at a packed church in Nigeria. The petition, organised by Catholic charity Aid to the Church in Need (ACN), will be handed in to Fiona Bruce MP on 5th June, the first anniversary of the attack at St Francis Xavier's Church in Owo, south-west Nigeria. The deadline for signing the petition is 31st May via: <https://acnuk.org/petition-2022/>

AND FINALLY ...

... there are two mistakes that people often make along the road to truth: one is not going all the way and the other is not starting.

With every blessing
Fr Nick