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Sunday, 28th April 2024

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER – YEAR B

1100hrs Mass Intention: *Celia Sandars RIP*

Entrance Hymn: 269

Offertory Hymn: 898

Communion Hymn: 965

Recessional Hymn: 270

Kyrie: M21

Gloria: M25

Sanctus: M39

Acclamation: M40

Great Amen: Plainchant

Agnus Dei: M20

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 four 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 and before leaving the building.

After Mass refreshments are served at the back of church.

MINISTRIES TODAY

Welcome Team:

Mrs M Allen; Mrs O Beattie

Readers:

Mrs N Francis-Crerar; Mrs C Pritchard

Children's Liturgy Lead:

Mrs Y Spreadborough

THIS WEEK

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

Mon 29th Apr: *St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor*

Tue 30th Apr: *St Pius V, pope, religious*

Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Sexual Abuse

Wed 1st May: *St Joseph the Worker*

1145hrs – Midday Prayer (Psalter Week I)

1200hrs – Liturgy of the Word with

Holy Communion (Zoom available)

Thu 2nd May: *St Athanasius, bishop, doctor*

Fri 3rd May: *St Philip & St James, apostles*

Sat 4th May: *The English Martyrs*

1430hrs – Divine Mercy Liturgy

NEXT SUNDAY

Welcome Team:

Mr T Booth; Mrs S Levett

Readers:

Mrs J White; Mrs S Cole

Children's Liturgy Lead:

Mrs Y Spreadborough

PRAYER INTENTIONS

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

WITH GRATITUDE

Many thanks to all who engaged with the liturgy last Sunday when the RAF Annual Mass was celebrated: to those who made music, arranged the flowers, served on the altar, provided the refreshments and all who made our visitors feel so warmly welcome.

LIVESTREAMING LITURGIES

Sunday's Mass Zoom details – ID: 892 6877 6687

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89268776687?pwd=ckc0WDFyFjLNlUJGWjd2Uit4RTk0Zz09> Passcode: 398896

Wednesday's Service Zoom details – ID: 827 3740 9190

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82737409190?pwd=RXVXTk9WeEQyYXBLcUhad3BhazRYdz09> Passcode: 373546

CELEBRATING FAITH

We welcome the family and friends of Tomasz Leszek Skuza who will become the newest member of the Church through the sacrament of baptism after Mass today.

CHRISTIAN WITNESS

Bishop Paul McAleenan, Lead Bishop for Migrants and Refugees, has joined with leaders of other churches to renew commitment to caring for the most vulnerable, as legislation to enable asylum seekers to be deported to Rwanda was approved by Parliament. Their statement is on the noticeboard and Bishopric website.

WORTHWHILE READING

The latest free edition of The Garrison is available at the back of church. If you live in SFA or believe your neighbours would benefit from reading the magazine please take a few for distribution.

CHALLENGING REFLECTIONS

This year's Day of Prayer for Victims and Survivors of Sexual Abuse focuses on communities who have been directly affected by allegations or convictions related to abuse – especially, but not exclusively, within the Church. This may be associated with clergy, a teacher in a local school, a leader of a Catholic group or other person or group whose investigation or conviction is likely to affect the wider community. Further information and resources are available at: www.cbcew.org.uk/prayer-for-survivors-of-abuse/

ADVANCE NOTICE

We have been advised that the final tarmac laying at the traffic light junction will take place from Tuesday, 7th to Friday 10th May inclusive, resulting in the road being closed. Access to the Cathedral will be from the North end of Queens Avenue only.

AND FINALLY ...

... being asked what book to bring when stranded on a desert island would seem a no-brainer as it must surely be: How to Build a Boat.

With every blessing
Fr Nick