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Sixth Sunday of Easter

John 14: 15-21

Acts 8: 5-8, 14-17 1 Peter 3: 15-18 The first reading describes how the Holy Spirit helped Philip, the Deacon, to preach powerfully and convert the Samaritans in large numbers and how the Holy Spirit helped Peter and John, by giving them a fresh anointing. In the second reading, St. Peter shows us that Holy Spirit makes it possible for us believers to live God-fearing lives in the midst of opposition and persecution.

Today's Gospel, taken from the "Last Supper Discourse," describes the gift of the Holy Spirit which Jesus is going to give his disciples who obey his commandment of love. Thus, the faithful believers will have the indwelling of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit in their souls. Yours

Fr. Tomy

Mass times	Feast Days					
6pm: Confessions 6.30pm Vigil Mass Ammal Abraham RIP 41 days after death	Saturday 13th St Julian of NorwichBorn in Norwich in 1342 at a time of unrest in Church andState. Spirituality grew among lay people to live a Christian life outside religious orders. Became a hermit or anchorite in a cell built alongside a church. One window viewed sanctuary, another open to the public. Mystic and visionary who produced theological texts during 20 years of meditation. <i>Revelations of Divine Love</i> is the earliest surviving book in English written by a woman. A chapel and shrine stands at place where her cell existed, destroyed by Henry VIII.Sunday 14th MaySixth Sunday of EasterM. V. Joseph RIP					
9.30 am Mass	International Day of Prayer for the Churches of the East					
First Communion Training 4.45 to 5.45 6.30pm Mass Emmanuel Shertu & Year II students doing GCSE exams	Monday 15th May St Isidore the Farmer Born 1070 in Madrid. Farmer with much younger wife. He started most days at church and prayed while he worked. It was claimed angels helped when he prayed. Extremely generous to the poor and loved animals and cared for them as well. A peasant farmer who led a very holy ordinary life but was an example to all. Died aged 60. He and his wife were popularly acclaimed saints.					
10 am Mass	Tuesday 16th St Brendan the Navigator Born around 484 in Ireland of noble birth. Placed in foster care of mystic St Ita for his initial education. Then studied at Tuam, in the Aran Islands, in Galloway, Scotland and in Wales. Bishop Erc of Kerry ordained him in 512. Monk and then an Abbot. Founded monasteries. Passion for sea travel. Visited Scotland, Wales and France. Seven year trip to Iceland, Greenland and North America and back is either exaggerated or a miracle. Evidence in North America exists of an Irish landing about that time but prevailing winds would have meant no return.					
	Wednesday 17 th St Paschal Baylón Born in 1540 in Spain on the feast of Pentecost so called					
SVP Social 1pm to 3pm	Paschal by his peasant farming pious family. Childhood as a shepherd. Devotion to the Eucharist. No time for any formal education. Taught himself to read. Helped poor. Gave good example on behaviour to his companions. Joined Franciscans as lay brother. Refused invitation to be a priest. Austere life					
6.30 pm Mass	style. Jobs as cook, doorkeeper, porter and gardener. Reputation as a counsellor whose wisdom was sought by all from rich to poor. Cheerful and friendly. Showed respect to all he met. Chosen for his social skills to be the beggar for alms for the monastery. He opposed Calvinist preacher in France on <i>Real Presence</i> and then was attacked by Huguenot mob and injured. Died on17 th May 1592 aged 52.					
10 am Mass	Thursday 18th St Peter Celestine, Pope Celestine V Born in 1215 in Italy near Monte Cassino. Mother made sure he was well educated in arts and science and expected him to join a monastery. Became a hermit in a cave and attracted disciples <i>Hermits of St Damian,</i> then a congregation <i>Poor Hermits of Celestine,</i> the <i>Celestines.</i> Followed <i>Rule of St Benedict</i> with additional severities. Order flourished with 36 monasteries and 600 monks. After the death of Pope Nicholas IV in 1292 three powerful families ruled the College of Cardinals. Failed to elect a pope Peter filled with rage denounced them. They elected him pope even though he was 79 years old. In 1294 they found him in a cave to tell him. Initially refused but accepted to solve the issue as Pope Celestine V. Saintly but unworldly and in poor health. Pawn of King of Naples. Resigned after less than a year. Peter tried to return to life of solitude but had great popular support. The new Pope Boniface VIII, for fear of Peter becoming an antipope, had him imprisoned and allegedly murdered in 1296.					

	Friday 19th St Dunstan Born in 909 in Somerset near Glastonbury. Uncle was the Bishop of Wells							
	and Winchester. Educated by Irish monks in ruins of Glastonbury Abbey after decline of monastic life							
	for 200 years from its height at time of St Bede. Gifted artist musician and silversmith. Lived as a							
NO MASS	hermit illuminating and copying manuscripts. King Edmund of Wessex made him Abbot of							
	Glastonbury to revive the monastery in 940. Then King Edgar appointed him Archbishop of							
8 hours from 9pm	Canterbury. Well known for his charity and austere life style. Reformed the Church by his choice of							
of Adoration	bishops, revival of monastic life and strict rules of clerical behaviour with the help of King Edgar.							
	Archbishop Dunstan crowned his son Edward the Martyr at Winchester in 975 who was murdered at							
	Corfe Castle 3 years later by his stepmother. Dunstan then retired and taught at school in Canterbury.							
	King Æthelred the Unready took the crown age 10 and fled to Normandy on the Danish invasion.							
	Saturday 20th May St Bernardino of Siena Born in 1380 near Sienna in Italy. Brought up by a pion							
6pm: Confessions	aunt after being orphaned age 6. Degree in law from Sienna University. Joined Confraternity of Our							
•	Lady attached to hospital. In 1400 cared for victims of plague. Nursed his aunt until she died. Took							
6.30pm Vigil Mass								
Theophilus	Italy from 1417 against abuses of the day. Unique preaching style. Projected his voice so thousands could hear him on themes relevant to people's lives rather than liturgy of day. He could mimic and							
Thomas RIP								
11 th anniversary	act, using humour to shock or reduce his audiences to laughter. Started feast of Holy Name of Jesus							
	and IHS monogram. Vicar General 1438 to 1442 of Franciscans. Died 1444 aged 64.							
9.30 am Mass	Sunday 21 st May Seventh Sunday of Easter							

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	Your prayers are needed for the following people							
Sue Chandler	Hazel Sale	Joe Heatley	Kay Duggan					

NOTICES AND ANNOUNCEMENT

Next monthly SVP Social on a Wednesday 17th May - 1pm to 3 pm

There will another opportunity to meet for refreshments and a chat. Please come along and bring your friends. No need to stay for the whole time, a few minutes of two hours, whatever suits you. Look forward to welcoming you. Renee and Pat.

Friday 19th May: 8 hours of adoration followed by Mass from 9 pm to 5 am

We are having 8 hours of adoration starting at 9 pm and ending with Mass at about 4 am.



Race for Life for Cancer Research by Liz Challand and her two daughters. Chance of great prize opposite with £10 tickets

In memory of Michael, a family friend who lost his courageous battle to cancer a month ago aged just 33, on 21st May. I will be taking part in my 21st and final Race for Life for Cancer Research UK in Winchester, along with my two daughters. For our fundraiser we are raffling an array of prizes, with this wonderful luxury hamper as first prize, crammed with delicious treats, champagne and wine from Harrods, Fortnum and Mason, M&S and Waitrose. Tickets are available to you for a donation of £10 per ticket via our Cancer Research UK fundraising page, where you can also see 2nd and 3rd prizes on:

https://fundraise.cancerresearchuk.org/page/elizabeths-race-for-life-327469445

The raffle will take place at 8pm on the 28th May and the winners posted on my page. Your donations will raise much needed funds for this vital research. Please feel free to share this information. Thank you Liz.

Safeguarding Training for SVP parish is on Saturday 3rd June

Morning session for "Child Protection" is from 10 am to 12 noon

The afternoon session for "Working with Adults at Risk" is from 1 pm to 3 pm.

Safeguarding training is open to all those in recruitment for, or currently working in roles with children and/or adults at risk. You do not need to attend both sessions if you only work with one of those groups e.g. Children's liturgists who only work with children at the church only need to attend the morning session. In accordance with the National Safeguarding Standards, safeguarding training must be completed every 2 years. You will receive a certificate on completion of this training. If you wish to attend please email: <a href="mailto:literation.li

An alternative is available at St Edmund Campion, Maidenhead SL6 4PY on Saturday 17th June 2023.

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	Parish Envelopes	Gift Aid	Loose Collection	Direct debits, standing orders	Gift Aid	Total of Offertory Collection	Other Money	Envelopes	Loose plate	TOTAL of all money
	£143	£35.75	£163.15	£242.54	£51.98	£636.42				£636.42