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SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Message from Fr Shinto...

Dear Friends,

The season of Easter is nearly at an end. This past Thursday we celebrated the Ascension of our Lord. The central theme of today's readings is a challenge to us to rejoice in our suffering for the Faith because the more we suffer the more we are identified with Jesus who has liberated us from the bondage of sin by his suffering and death. The Gospel gives us the beginning of the "High Priestly Prayer" in which Jesus prays for himself and for protection and unity for his disciples. In the first part of the section we hear today, Jesus prays for himself and his chosen apostles. He prays for the protection and unity of his disciples. In the second part, Jesus commends his apostles to the Father and prays for them because they have accepted the word of God and acknowledged his Divine origin as the Messiah. They have put their trust in Jesus and His Father. Jesus prays that they may act as agents of truth and love in the world, that they may be protected from evil, and that they may be one.

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"We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God"

Pope Francis

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection. Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment. Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

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CORONAVIRUS UPDATES!

1 Fr Shinto will be celebrating the Masses for the intention of the day and for the parishioners

2 The church is now closed to the public and is now **[live streaming masses](#)**

LIVE ONLINE MASSES

Walsingham

<http://www.walsingham.org.uk/live-stream>

Knock Basilica

<https://www.knockshrine.ie/watch-live.html>

Lourdes

<https://youtu.be/EBSyUYeU80Q>

Heaven's Road Radio

<http://www.heavensroadfm.com/live-masses/>

Pope's Daily Mass Podcast

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxIsefy19g9A5SGWA4FvGIA>

Daily Rosary

<https://youtu.be/Tqbw0cait5Y>

St Marie's Church

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCsBEo91ZOY3sgnFogBUaKCQ>

Sat 23 rd May 2020	Easter feria	Oratory Mass Patricia Rodden RIP Chacko RIP Shirley Deery RIP
Sun 24 th May 2020	Seventh Sunday of Easter	Clare Bedford RIP All Parishioners
Mon 25 th May 2020	Memorial of St Bede the Venerable, Priest, Doctor of the Church	Elizabeth Bedford RIP
Tue 26 th May 2020	Memorial of St Philip Neri, Priest	All Parishioners
Wed 27 th May 2020	Feast of St Augustine of Canterbury, Bishop	All Parishioners
Thu 28 th May 2020	Easter feria	Shirley Deery RIP
Fri 29 th May 2020	The Solemnity of Dedication	All Parishioners
Sat 30 th May 2020	Easter feria	All Parishioners Trevor Harries RIP

Next Week's Gospel Reading Solemnity of Pentecost

John 20:19-23

On the evening of that first day of the week, when the disciples were together, with the doors locked for fear of the Jewish leaders,

Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you!"

After he said this, he showed them his hands and side.

The disciples were overjoyed when they saw the Lord. Again Jesus said, "Peace be with you! As the Father has sent me, I am sending you." And with that he breathed on them and said, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive anyone's sins, their sins are forgiven; if you do not forgive them, they are not forgiven."

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

Mary was the first in the New Testament to confess her faith in the divinity of Jesus Christ. She confessed it long before St Peter...she fully deserved the praise which Elizabeth pronounced "Blessed are you because you have believed". **Blessed Antonio Rosmini**



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Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health. Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone. Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus. Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity. Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future. Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer. Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course. To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen.

Pope Francis

Friends of the Holy Land Appeal launched in March for those impacted in Bethlehem and widened it on 3rd April as a Pentecost Challenge to cover the whole of the region. They are close to reaching the target but are seeking help from your parishioners to get over the line

www.friendsoftheholylan.org.uk/pentecost-challenge for more info visit our diocesan website

<https://www.birminghamdiocese.org.uk/news/fhl-launch-pentecost-challenge>

Sunday Offerings

Lots of people have dropped Sunday offerings into the presbytery. Fr Shinto would like to thank all who are supporting our church during this difficult time.

New Parish Email Address

There is a new email address for the parish office so please do direct all queries to this address from now on:

stmaries.rugby@rcaob.org.uk

Parish News

We were supposed to have the First Holy Communion of our children who, are studying at St. Marie's, on Saturday and in other schools, on Sunday. I would like to offer our prayerful support to them, their families and those who were preparing them. Once we are back to normal liturgical services, we will decide a future date.

Please pray for the sick in our homes and hospitals and all who care for them. The bells of St. Marie's ring out over the town to join with the 'National Thank You' at 8pm on Thursday nights.

If you know anyone who has no access to internet in the parish and who would like to be kept in touch by receiving the newsletter, please let the parish office know their names, I can post them the newsletter and the mass sheets.

RECENTLY DIED

**Kathleen Smyth, Sean Murray,
Derek Larkin, Maura Bennett,
Leilani Dayrit, Alan Dunmore**

FOR THOSE WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES FALL AROUND THIS TIME

Catherine Edwards, Nancy Cooke, Urszula Dabrik, James O'Driscoll, Rosalie Musson

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE SICK

Tom Donnelly, Sharon Colleran, Rachel Mears, Freddie Fereday, Elsie Johnson, Piotr Fior, William Hearne, Sofia Roman Garcia, Hattie Taylor, Pat Mulvey, Lenny & Marie Niner, Val Muir, Noel Hayes, Francesca Paquita Lopez Capel, Sybil Brookes, Maureen Keane, Padraig Reynolds, Maureen Borg, Susan Geehan, Kevin Bulmer, Viviane McSweeney, Margaret Smith and all those who are sick with coronavirus