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28 April 2024; 5th Sunday of Easter



Saturday	27th	5.00pm	Mary Doran	
Sunday	28th	9.00am 11.00am	K.J. Matthew Ivy Hamer Martin Mallon	5th Sunday of Easter
Monday	29th			5th week of Easter
Tuesday	30th		Morning Prayers (St Pat's)	5th week of Easter
Wednesday	1st			St Joseph the Worker
Thursday	2nd			5th week of Easter
Friday	3rd			Sts Philip & James
Saturday	4th	5.00pm	Tony Murphy	5th week of Easter
Sunday	5th	9.00am 11.00am	Jais Joseph Ivy Hamer	6th Sunday of Easter

BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP: Christine Bullimore (St Catherine's)

Wilson Thomas (St Patrick's)

SACRED HEART LAMP: Butler Families. (St Catherine's)

Wilson Thomas (St Patrick's)

SICK: Tony-Craig Murphy; M Sutherland; Eileen Mc Kermit; Eva Rajesh. Peter Wilson; Cyrus Patrick Nekoi; Angela Pearson
 David Rymill; Colleen De Couto; Alan Fonseca; Kathleen O'Brien; Louise Rogan; Hermit Rachel; Betty Tynan

LATELY DEAD: Jose Anthony; Claire Kavanagh; Mary Doran;

ANNIVERSARIES: John Hutton; Carmeline Kamsika; Alice Kamsika; Waclaw Bak; Patrick Clarke; Stan Dubik; Mary Forsdike;
 Alice Ashforth; Lawrence Walton; Mabel Coffee; Blake Brunie; John Smith.

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord, for he has worked wonders; in the sight of the nations
 He has shown his deliverance. Alleluia.

Collect Almighty ever-living God; constantly accomplish the Paschal mystery within us, that those you were
 pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of
 life eternal. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son who lives and reigns with you in the Holy Spirit, one God,
 for ever and ever.

First Reading: **A reading from the Acts of the Apostles** **9: 26-31.**
"He declared to them how on the road he had seen the Lord."

In those days:

When Saul had come to Jerusalem, he attempted to join the disciples; and they were all afraid of him, for they did not
 believe that he was a disciple. But Barnabas took him, brought him to the apostles, and declared to them how on the
 road he had seen the Lord, who spoke to him, and how at Damascus he had preached boldly in the name of Jesus.
 So he went in and out among them at Jerusalem, preaching boldly in the name of the Lord. And he spoke and
 disputed against the Hellenists; but they were seeking to kill him. And when the brothers learned this, they brought
 him down to Caesarea and sent him off to Tarsus.

So the church throughout Judea, and Galilee, and Samaria had peace and was being built up. And walking in the fear
 of the Lord and in the comfort of the Holy Spirit, it multiplied.

The word of the Lord.

RESPONSE:

Ps22: 26b-27; 28-30; 31-32

You are my praise Lord, in the great assembly.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill.
 They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live on forever and ever **R/**

All the earth shall remember and return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him,
 They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R/**

And my soul shall live for him, my descendants serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come
 Declare his saving justice to peoples yet unborn: "These are the things the Lord has done." **R/**

Second Reading: A reading from the First letter of St John

1 John 3:18-24.

"This is his commandment that we believe.....and love one another."

Little children, let us love, not in word or talk, but in deed and in truth and reassure our heart before him; for whenever our heart condemns us God is greater than our hearts, and he knows everything. Beloved, if our hearts does not condemn us, we have confidence before God; and whatever we ask we receive from him, because we keep his commandments and do what pleases him.

And this is his commandment, that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and love one another, just as he has commanded us. Whoever keeps his commandments abides in God, and God in him. And by this we know that he abides in us, by the Spirit that he has given us. **The Word of the Lord**

Acclamation. Alleluia, alleluia!

Abide in me, and I in you, says the Lord; whoever abides in me bears much fruit. Alleluia

GOSPEL: A Reading from the Holy Gospel according to John

John 15. 1-18

"Whoever abides in me, and I in him, he it is that bears fruit."

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples

"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine dresser. Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that bears fruit he prunes that it may bear more fruit. Already you are clean because of the word that I have spoken to you. Abide in me and I in you. As the branch cannot bear fruit by itself unless it abides in the vine, neither can you unless you abide in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever abides in me and I in him he it is that bears much fruit, for apart from me you can do nothing. If anyone does not abide in me he is thrown away like a branch and it withers; and the branches are gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. If you abide in me, and my words abide in you, ask for whatever you wish, and it will be done for you. By this my Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit and so prove to be my disciples. **The Gospel of the Lord**

ACCLAMATION: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: I am the true vine and you are the branches, says the Lord. Whoever remains in me, And I in him bears fruit in plenty. Alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION: Graciously be present to your people, we pray, O Lord and lead those you have imbued with heavenly mysteries to pass from former ways to newness of life. Through Christ our Lord.

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS: St Catherine's ££447.40 and £130.31
St Patrick's £308.65 and £129.41. Thank you very much.

SPUC: Thank you for last week's second collection. This has been sent to SPUC

MISSION APPEAL FOR THE MISSIONARY SOCIETY OF ST PAUL (MSP) Rev. Fr Charles Egbon, MSP of the Missionary Society of St. Paul (MSP) will make a Mission Appeal at all the Masses on the weekend of the 4th and 5th of May. The MSP is a religious congregation working in different parts of the world, committed to spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ and the salvific work of God the Father in the Holy Spirit. The MSP invites you to support their mission appeal. There will be a retiring collection at all the Masses. You can also donate by setting up a direct debit or cheque using the provided account details. A/C Name: The Missionary Society of St Paul. Sort C 202963 A/C No: 73306224. Barclays Bank

HOLY COMMUNION: If anyone who is ill or house bound wishes to receive Holy Communion, please get in touch with Fr. Albert either by phone or email.

DEACON (St Patrick's) Andrew Crowley: email :stpatlanetop@gmail.com

LAMPS: Blessed Sacrament and Sacred Heart Lamps (St Patrick's) available for Year 2024. A few slots left
Please write your loved ones names down. **£5.00 per slot.** When you pay *please write Paid on the sheet*

BISHOP RALPH'S Pastoral Letter and questionnaire: Please bring back your answers by the next week. These will be collated and sent to our Dean who will in turn send it on to Bishop's House. **Fr. Albert**

CHANGE IN THE TELEPHONE NUMBER FOR ST CATHERINE'S CHURCH: 0114 3310225

WEEKDAY MASSES: No week day Masses. Tuesday Morning Prayers at St Patrick's 9.15am

NEXT PARISH LUNCH; On Friday 24th May at St Patrick's School Hall. Parishioners of St Catherine's and St Patrick's are invited. We begin at 12noon. Those interested please give your names to Krysha Caterer.

St Catherine's Scout Group. Our scout group has not held any meetings for some time, due in part to my ongoing health problems. However, in order to get things up and running again we need to fill some key posts.

Firstly, as St Catherine's are the sponsors of our group we would like to appoint a new Group Chairman and trustees from within St Catherine's. The roles are voluntary and involve a relatively small amount of time, all training is provided including DBS check. Also, we have some funds for an activity weekend, up to 15 children 8 -10 years of age. The weekend, date to be confirmed, is fully funded apart from travel. All children will need to become members before the event for insurance purposes. **Garnet Gordon**
g.gordon29@yahoo.com My contact details could be used if anyone is interested

SECOND COLLECTION: This weekend there will be a Second Collection at both the Churches for CAFOD

Union of Catholic Mothers: On the First Sunday of the month the UCM meet after Mass in St Catherine's Presbytery

SCHOOL ADMISSIONS: St Patrick's School Lane Top has free Nursery places for September 2024.

Please contact the School Office. Phone: 0114 2456183. **Fr. Albert**

REPOSITORY STALL: Please visit our Repository Stall at both of our Churches. You might like to buy articles at very reasonable prices esp. for First Holy Communion which is coming up very soon. Fr. Albert