

THIS WEEKEND		7th Easter of Sunday		Year B	
Sat 12th May	<b>10.00am</b>	St O	<i>Confessions + Exposition until 10.30am</i>		
	<b>10.30am</b>	St T	1st Communion Mass		
	<b>12 noon</b>	St T	1st Communion Mass		
	<b>5.00pm</b>	St O	Violet Emma Singleton		
	<b>6.30pm</b>	St T	Kevin Slater, Rita Southworth		
Sun 13th May	<i>8:30am</i>	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>		
	<b>8:30am</b>	St O	Rose + James Dawson		
	<b>9.30am</b>	St T	Martin Russell, Frank Swarbrick		
	<b>11.00am</b>	St MM	Jean Ashton, Bill Power, Cecelia Goode		
Divine Office Week 3					
Mon 14th May St Matthias	<b>9.15am</b> <b>10.30am</b>	St T St O	Tony McGuinness Funeral Mass: Teresa Eland		
Tues 15th May	<b>9.30am</b>	St O	Thanksgiving to St Martin		
Wed 16th May	<b>9.30am</b>	St MM	Maureen Corrigan		
Thu 17th May	<b>9.30am</b> <b>7.00pm</b>	St O St T	To Jesus + Mary Parish Priests Intentions		
Fri 18th May	<b>9.15am</b> <b>9.30am</b>	St T St O	Marie Bateson Cecelia Goode		
NEXT WEEKEND		Pentecost Sunday		Year B	
Sat 19th May	<b>10.30am</b>	St MM	1st Communion Mass		
	<b>12 noon</b>	St MM	1st Communion Mass		
	<b>5.00pm</b>	St O	Kathleen Marmion, William Percy		
	<b>6.30pm</b>	St T	Mary Jane		
Sun 20th May	<i>8:30am</i>	St MM	<i>Latin Extraordinary Form Mass</i>		
	<b>8:30am</b>	St O	Mary Ford		
	<b>9.30am</b>	St T	May Tipping		
	<b>11.00am</b>	St MM	John Huggins—Get Well		

**Confessions:** 1st (St T) and 2nd (St O) Sat at 10.00am.

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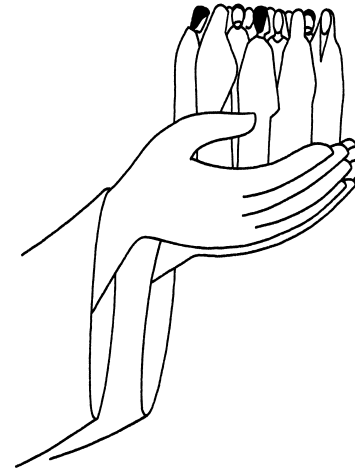
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## 7th Sunday of Easter

**13th May 2018**

### God Is Love

As the joyous season of Easter comes to a close, this Sunday's Scripture brings our focus onto Christ's loving relationship with us.

We see how the very early Church decided that the person who was to replace Judas needed to be someone who had known Jesus personally from the very start of his ministry,

and had witnessed his suffering, death and resurrection. (**First Reading**)

We can pray with great joy the **Psalm** of thanks for all the blessings of God's love – a love that is calling all of us into a deeper personal relationship.

John's letter (**Second Reading**) is like a summary of the Good News and the mystery of the Resurrection. We are encouraged to love one another. It is through our loving relationships that we will come to know God more fully. God is love, and God shares the Spirit of love with us when we die to self and give ourselves fully to love.

In John's **Gospel** we hear Jesus praying to the Father for his followers. Jesus wants us to share fully in his joy. It is in this spirit of Easter joy that we are sent out into the world to draw all people into that relationship of love of which each and every one is invited to be a part.

Let us pray for the grace to be able to live out the joy of the Gospel of love in every part of our life!

**The Romero Room:** Every Friday in the Romero Room there will be 2 gatherings. **At 1.30pm** there will be an exercise class. This can be done either sitting or standing. It will help you improve your strength, mobility and well being. This class will cost £2.00 and will be led by an expert, Julian Vescovi. All ages and abilities will be catered for. This will begin on **Friday 18th May**. At 2.30pm until 3.30pm there will be a gathering for tea, biscuits and chat, this is open to everyone.

There will be a meeting of the “**St MM + St T Friends**” to finalise the organisation of this. We will meet in the Romero Room on **Monday 14th May at 12 noon**. Remember the Friends exists to help us run and plan events in our parishes. Anyone is welcome to join and help out.

**A sponsored walk/run/bike ride:** Thank you to everyone who took part. A special thanks to Joe and Gemma who organised the event. Thank you to James, Dorothy and Jennifer who prepared the Romero Room for us to have wonderful refreshments in. The sponsored money is already coming in £356 to date. Thank you.

**Synod Holy Hour:** In preparation for the Diocesan Synod to be held in October 2020 the Archbishop will be leading a Holy Hour on Monday May 14th at 7.30pm. (Please note the change of date.) The Holy Hour, which is for the Leyland and Chorley Deaneries will take place in St Mary’s Chorley. Everyone is invited to join us for this.

**Novena Dates:** Our annual novena to Our Lady, Untier of Knots will take place at St Mary Magdalen’s Church from Wednesday 23rd May until Thursday 31st May. It is at 7.00pm each evening (except Saturday).

Sunday 13th May is **World Communications Day**. A retiring collection will enable the Church to work and witness on a local and national level.

**Malta Pilgrims:** There will be a meeting on Thursday 17th May at 7.30pm for all pilgrims in the Romero Room.

**St Leonard's Gilbert and Sullivan Group** will be performing the much loved operetta: *The Yeomen of the Guard* from Wed 23rd - Sat 26th May at 7.30pm in Leyland Methodist Hall, Turpin Green Lane, Leyland. PR25 3HA. Tickets cost £10 on the door or in advance. Contact 01772 612030 for further information and tickets. Hope to see you there!

**St Oswald's Ladies** welcome Ged Edwards the local CAFOD representative from Liverpool who will be giving an illustrated talk in St Oswald's Parish Hall on Monday 14 May at 7.30 pm. Ged visited the Philippines last year to see the work being carried out by our partners NASSA/Caritas Philippines; they are working to enable people and the planet to have a more sustainable future. Everyone from all 3 churches is invited to come along.

**St O Monday Club:** We play dominos, have a cup of tea and chat all for £1 from 1pm-3pm. If interested please ring 611358 or 454133. All welcome.

**St O Caritas group:** Jimmy from Lancashire Memories is visiting us for “A trip down Memory Lane” with music, singing, memorabilia from the past and an old gramophone. Wednesday 23rd May 1.30pm - 3.30 pm (doors open at 1pm) in St Oswald's Parish Hall. Light refreshments will be provided. People from all 3 church communities are welcome.

**Coffee Morning:** to raise money for the Friends of Mulanje Orphans (**FOMO**) on Saturday 26th May at 4 Priory Cres. 9.30am - 1.00pm. Tombola, refreshments, bric a brac. All welcome.

**St Oswald's Bereavement Tea and chat** Sunday 13th May from 3.00pm - 4.00pm in St Oswald’s Parish Hall. All welcome.

The next **St. Oswald's Caritas Lunch Club** is next Friday 18th May from 12 noon until 1.00pm. Everyone is invited and we look forward to seeing you there.

**Porch Notices:** Have you looked at the notice boards in our churches recently? You may be missing something!

**Roof Works:** This week the roof on the former meeting room at St Teresa’s has to be replaced. This is because a serious defect was found when building the Romero Room. This will cost £6,500 to put right!

**New Altar Servers:** We would now welcome any Year 4 children to begin serving on the altar. If you would like to be part of our fantastic teams of servers please see Fr P or Fr M or Bernadette (at St O) or John (at St T).