Readings at Mass - 6th Sunday of Easter - Year B

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Is 48: 20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Collect

Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do.

who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,

First reading

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

Psalm

Psalm 97:1-4

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

Alleluia!

/ incrara.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation.

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations.

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord, all the earth,

ring out your joy.

The Lord has shown his salvation to the nations. Alleluia!

Second reading

1 John 4:7-10

My dear people,
let us love one another
since love comes from God
and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God.
Anyone who fails to love can never have known God,
because God is love.
God's love for us was revealed
when God sent into the world his only Son
so that we could have life through him;

this is the love I mean: not our love for God, but God's love for us when he sent his Son

to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

Gospel

John 17:11-19

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:

'Holy Father

keep those you have given me true to your name, so that they may be one like us.

While I was with them,

I kept those you had given me true to your name.

I have watched over them

and not one is lost

except the one who chose to be lost,

and this was to fulfil the scriptures.

But now I am coming to you

and while still in the world I say these things

to share my joy with them to the full.

I passed your word on to them,

and the world hated them,

because they belong to the world

no more than I belong to the world.

I am not asking you to remove them from the world,

but to protect them from the evil one.

They do not belong to the world

any more than I belong to the world.

Consecrate them in the truth;

your word is truth.

As you sent me into the world,

I have sent them into the world,

and for their sake I consecrate myself

so that they too may be consecrated in truth.'

Communion Antiphon

Jn 14: 15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion

Almighty ever-living God,

who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food. Through Christ our Lord.

Sunday 11.15am Mass				
Processional Hymn	290	God is love		
Offertory	459	Lord, you give the great commission		
Comm. Antiphon		I have chosen you from the world, in order that you might go and bring forth fruit, and that your fruit should last, alleluia.		
Communion Hymn	462	Love is his word		
	164	Be still and know		
Recessional 678 Thine be the		Thine be the glory		

Sunday Bulletin

10th May, 2015

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MEDITATION

It often seems that the more schooling we have the less able we are to handle the ambiguity of Christian living. The logic of scientific thought encourages us to focus upon one concept at a time. The poetic language of the scriptures leads us to hold in a healthy tension concepts which, at first glance, seem mutually contradictory.

God calls us to a way of life which makes demands, yet God's ways frequently seem to contravene the way we have taken. This was certainly Peter's experience. Peter thought that only those born in Israel could come to Christ, but the manifestation of the Spirit's gifts in the life of the Gentile Cornelius shattered all his comfortable notions.

Christ's resurrection shattered all notions of how God might work among us. It destroyed all barriers which





might hedge in the possibilities of God's power working in human history. Christ's victory showed forth the power of love: God's love which could draw forth from death the servant who had gone to death in obedience to love.

For the makers of greeting cards love might be sentimental and soft. For Christians, love is as strong and as real as the demands made by friends who are willing to die that the other might live. That gives greater cause for the singing of alleluias than do fuzzy fantasies about some sort of love which can be reduced to pastel holy cards. Only living in that sort of love will enable us to know that death and life, obedience and freedom, vigilance and surprise are but different refractions of one true Light.

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Notices

Rosary: Saturdays 10.30pm **Confessions:** Tuesdays 6pm

10.30am & 6pm Saturdays Tuesday & Thursday 6.30am to 7pm Adoration:

1 hour before Masses except Sunday Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday 7.30am

Saturdays 9.40am **Evening Prayer:** Thursdays 6.30pm

8.30pm **Night Prayer:** Thursdays Housebound? John MacKinnon (See above)

To arrange communion visits

Please speak to a member of the clergy Coeliacs: before Mass to arrange communion

Feeding Priests: Yi-Pei Chou chou.turvey@gmail.com Family Planning Nature's Way

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Children

If restless: Mass screened live in Main Hall To be accompanied to the toilet by a parent or guardian

Mass Times						
Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions		
Sun 10th	5th Sunday of Easter	Mass Mass-Polish Solemn Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30 am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	Michael Moyles Elizabeth Cruickshank RIP		
Mon 11th		Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Intentions of Stella & Emmanuel Communion Service		
Tue 12th		Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Declan Herliny (Healing) Communion Service		
Wed 13th		Mass	7.00am 12.30pm 7.00pm	Communion Service Communion Service		
Thu 14th	Solemnity of the Ascension	Mass	7.00am 7.00pm	Fr James Donnelly RIP		
Fri 15th		Mass	7.00am 12.30pm	Manuel & Celia Martins RIP		
Sat 16th		Mass Vigil Mass	10.00am 7.00pm			
Sun 17th	6th Sunday of Easter	Mass Mass-Polish Solemn Mass Mass-Polish Mass	8.00am 9.30am 11.15am 3.00pm 6.00pm	For the Parish Mr Joseph RIP		

Mass Intention Envelopes

At the back of the Church. Print details and Recommended offering for each Mass is £5. post through Clergy House letter box.

celebrated on your preferred date or at the the Parish or Diocese

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for It may not always be possible for Mass to be the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions for

Offertory: 03/05/15 £2831.23

Nepal: £2744.40





Polish: £945



All Beginning 7pm on

WEDNESDAYS IN THE LOWER HALL

Deepening Your Faith: Catholic who just wants to go deeper?

after

Mass

Becoming A Catholic: Thinking about becoming a Catholic or would like to find out more? **Adult Confirmation:** Adult who has not yet received the sacrament of Confirmation? Then sign up for the course via the parish website and come along.

ST JOHN OGILVIE'S MARTYRDOM 400TH ANNIVERSARY NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE

The National Pilgrimage to celebrate St John Ogilvie's 400th Anniversary is to take place on Saturday 4th July at the Kynoch Park, Keith Moray. This will be a showcase of the Catholic Church in Scotland with stalls and entertainment for all ages. Mass will be celebrated with the Bishops & Priests of Scotland. The main celebrant will be Archbishop Leo Cushley and the preacher, Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB. There will also be an opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and for Eucharistic Adoration at the nearby St Thomas' Church.

For further details contact Joyce Webster.: 01224 319 154 or joyce@rcd-abdn.org

Cathedral News

ASCENSION DAY

Please note that next Thursday is the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord and a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Solemn Mass at 7.00pm.



There will be a second collection next Sunday for the Papal World Day of Communications

DAY OF SPIRITUAL RENEWAL



"Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God" Father Branko Zebic, OCD, Head of Spiritual Renewal in Croatia, will lead this day on Saturday 16th May in the Cathedral Upper Hall.

THE ABERDEEN DIOCESAN CHOIR

The Aberdeen Diocesan Choir will give a short 'Concert of Sacred Music' in St. Mary's Cathedral after Mass on Tuesday May 19th at 7.45pm. All welcome.

THE LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary have a Day of Thanksgiving on Sunday May 24th to which legionaries and any parishioner / friends are invited. Coach leaves Union Street opposite Courthouse at 9am. Lunch arranged for 12.30pm in Carfin area, Grotto 2.pm, Holy Mass at 3pm. Bring snack for return home at 4.30pm. Cost £25 approx. Deposit £15 by May 15th. Contact person Ogi at 07535547608

FRIENDS OF NORTHCOTE LODGE— RACE NIGHT

Friday 12th June at 7.00 pm



This is a fund raising event for the Northcote Lodge Care Home.

Venue: The Ashvale, Great Western Road, Ticket: £15 includes an Supper.

For tickets: Joyce Webster: 01224 319 154, Jeff Smith: 07866 788 277, Tickets are also available at Northcote Lodge Care Home, 191 Craigton Road, Aberdeen, 01224 326 630

SVDP ANNOUNCEMENT

The St. Vincent de Paul Society at the Cathedral will mark 100 years of service to the homeless in Aberdeen at the Celebratory Mass on Tuesday 16th June at 6.30 pm.

As part of the centenary celebrations, we invite you to place a bid for a specially prepared food hamper in our silent auction. You will find a bidding form at the back of the Church. Good luck with your bid!

NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

New weekly offertory envelopes for 2015-16 are available at the back of the cathedral, sorted in alphabetical order with name & address. Each pack also now contains monthly envelopes for renovation donations.

Please contact John Costello in the cathedral office or via email at finance@cathedral-abdn.org if any of your address details are incorrect or if you want to join the Gift Aid scheme and use weekly envelopes.

FIRE ALARM TESTING

Testing of the Cathedral fire alarms is scheduled to take place on Monday mornings at 12.00 noon.

CATHEDRAL BOOKS & GIFT SHOP Books of the month:

Fruits of the Spirit, Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Novena to the Holy Spirit, Road to Pentecost.

Wonderful reading for this month!!!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED — CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Would you like to help spread the Good News? We need volunteers to help out with the Children's Liturgy. It is a very important ministry and gives a lot of job satisfaction.

Contact Ruth: ruthpaterson@hotmail.com or speak to her, personally, after 11.15 am Mass.

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ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

In honour of the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, St. Peter's church in the Castlegate will be hosting 24 hours of Adoration. It will start on Friday 5th June at 5pm, and finish at 7pm on Saturday 6th June (the vigil of Corpus Christi) with Solemn Benediction.

For more information please contact St. Peter's Parish Priest at immacu4@gmail.com

BISHOP'S GOLDEN JUBILEE TROPHY

Bishop's Golden Jubilee Golf Trophy will take place on Friday 3rd July at Duff House Royal Golf Club, Banff. Tee Off from 12noon. The cost for this event is £43 which includes a

round of golf and a two course meal. Parishioners are encouraged to make up a team or teams of three to represent the Cathedral. Please see the notice board for more info. and an application form.

MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

The monks of Pluscarden Abbey offer a special opportunity to see at first hand what monastic life is about, during the weekend Friday 11 September to Monday 14 September 2015. There will be no charge for the weekend.

The invitation is extended to single young Catholic men who practise their faith, aged 18 -35. Contact Fr. Benedict Hardy OSB: novicemaster@pluscardenabbey.org Pluscarden Abbey, Elgin, Moray IV30 8UA (01343) 890 257.

"CLOTHED IN MERCY": MONASTIC PERSPECTIVES



ON HUMAN MATURING Four talks by Dom Erik Varden O.C.S.O.

The 2015 Pluscarden Pentecost Lectures A series of public lectures

Pluscarden Abbey Elgin

26th - 28th May 2015 To register: guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org

http://nazareth.dioceseofaberdeen.org

Diocesan youth website: latest news on events, pilgrimages, retreats and youth groups for teenagers.

Weekly Calendar

Mon Credo Community Meeting

Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm Contact: Fr Tomasz Klin SJ

Tue | Magnificat Prayer Group

Main Hall after Mass Contact: Paul Akagwu 07574 103 852

St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray

Wed Light Exercise Class for all

Main Hall at 10:00am Contact: Laura Walker 0777 3 021 851 laura@laurawalkerlimited.co.uk

Seniors Club

Speakers, fun & fellowship Main Hall at 2 pm every 2 weeks Contact: Winnie on 01224 632 465.

Cathedral Faith Formation Evening

For those interested in learning more about the Faith or becoming Catholic Lower Hall at 7pm Contact: Fr. Keith

African Choir

For Africans and anyone else. Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Kingsley Emeye 07956 039 763

Healing of Memories

Prayer for the healing of painful memories of the past to bring peace to the present. Clergy House at 2.30pm (by appointment) Contact: Deacon Tony

Legion of Mary

Members serve the Church as needed Lower Hall at 5.30pm Contact: Nogie Osula nogisula@yahoo.com

Cenacolo Prayer Group

Exposition & Rosary praying for healing of those with addictions Church after Mass Contact: Liam Sharkey 07774 931 996

liam.sharkey@fsmail.net 6pm Music Group

Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: Margaret Spence mag.m.spencer@btinternet.com

Fri Our Lady of Aberdeen Prayer Group

Rosary & praise in song and word Chapter Room from 1.30 - 2.30pm Contact: Teresa Coyne 07901 851 526

Altar Servers' Practice

Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm Contact: Andrzej

Youth Group

For teenagers between 11 & 17 Chapter Room & Clergy House 6.30 to 9pm Contact: St. Andrew's Community 07754 891 808

standrewscommunity@cathedral-abdn.org

Sat | Church Cleaning

Church at 10.30am Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154

African Choir

As above Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm

Sun 11:15 Choir

Leading the music for 11.15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.00am Contact: David & Liz Meiklejohn