# Readings at Mass - 5th Sunday of Easter - Year A

**Entrance Antiphon** 

Cf. Ps 97: 1-2

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.

First reading

Acts 6:1-7

About this time, when the number of disciples was increasing, the Hellenists made a complaint against the Hebrews: in the daily distribution their own widows were being overlooked. So the Twelve called a full meeting of the disciples and addressed them, 'It would not be right for us to neglect the word of God so as to give out food; you, brothers, must select from among yourselves seven men of good reputation, filled with the Spirit and with wisdom; we will hand over this duty to them, and continue to devote ourselves to prayer and to the service of the word.' The whole assembly approved of this proposal and elected Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, together with Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolaus of Antioch, a convert to Judaism. They presented these to the apostles, who prayed and laid their hands on them.

The word of the Lord continued to spread: the number of disciples in Jerusalem was greatly increased, and a large group of priests made their submission to the faith.

### **Responsorial Psalm**

Psalm 32:1-2,4-5,18-19

May your love be upon us, O Lord, as we place all our hope in you.

Ring out your joy to the Lord, O you just; for praise is fitting for loyal hearts. Give thanks to the Lord upon the harp, with a ten-stringed lute sing him songs. R.

For the word of the Lord is faithful and all his works to be trusted.

The Lord loves justice and right and fills the earth with his love. R.

The Lord looks on those who revere him, on those who hope in his love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine. *R.* 

### Second reading

1 Peter 2:4-9

The Lord is the living stone, rejected by men but chosen by God and precious to him; set yourselves close to him so that you too, the holy priesthood that offers the spiritual sacrifices which Jesus Christ has made acceptable to God, may be living stones making a spiritual house. As scripture says: See how I lay in Zion a precious cornerstone that I have chosen and the man who rests his trust on it will not be disappointed. That means that for you who are believers, it is precious; but for unbelievers, the stone rejected by the builders has proved to be the keystone, a stone to stumble over, a rock to bring men down. They stumble over it because they do not believe in the word; it was the fate in store for them.

But you are a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a consecrated nation, a people set apart to sing the praises of God who called you out of the darkness into his wonderful light.

### **Gospel Acclamation**

Jn14:6

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life. No one can come to the Father except through me.' Alleluia!

### Gospel

John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house; if there were not, I should have told you.

I am going now to prepare a place for you, and after I have gone and prepared you a place, I shall return to take you with me; so that where I am you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.'

Thomas said, 'Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how can we know the way?' Jesus said:

'I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.'

Philip said, 'Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be satisfied.' 'Have I been with you all this time, Philip,' said Jesus to him 'and you still do not know me?

'To have seen me is to have seen the Father, so how can you say, "Let us see the Father"?

Do you not believe

that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?

The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:

it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.

You must believe me when I say

that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;

believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.

I tell you most solemnly,

whoever believes in me

will perform the same works as I do myself,

he will perform even greater works,

because I am going to the Father.'

### **Communion Antiphon**

Cf. Jn 15: 1, 5

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.

Sunday 11.15am Mass					
Entrance Hymn	498	Now the green blade rises			
Offertory	606	See us, Lord, about thine altar			
Communion		(Choir) Gift of finest wheat			
	588	Regina caeli			
Recessional	586	Praise we our God with joy			

# Sunday Bulletin

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5th Sunday of Easter •

Year A

# St. Mary's Cathedral

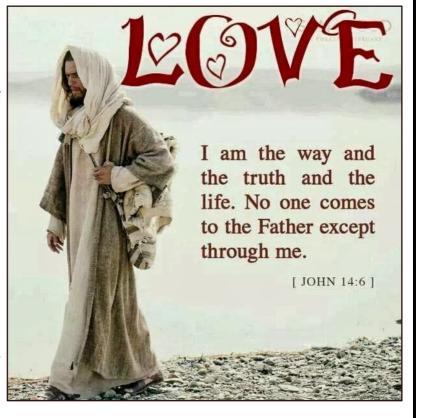
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# Meditation

Who does not cherish the desire for a home, a harbour of peace and refreshment? Jesus announces his departure in terms of that human desire. He is going before his disciples to prepare a place for them. "I am the Way" is as strange a proclamation as "I am the Sheepgate" (John 10:7), but they help us examine the implications of the Easter experience.



"You know the way that leads

where I go" (John 14:4). We are sympathetic with the misunderstanding of Thomas and Philip. They would like to specify the road and identify the place where they will see the Father. But there is no need for a map. Jesus is the way to the Father. We must follow him. Whoever has seen him has seen the Father. Jesus is the way, the truth and the life because he is one with God: he is in the Father and the Father is in him. Authentic Christian faith is not anonymous. We cannot believe in a faceless God. Christianity teaches us to recognise God in the face of Jesus of Nazareth. By identifying his face in the disfigured faces of those whose suffering he bore on the cross, we find our dwelling place in him.







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### **Notices**

Monday – Saturday 6.00am-12 midnight Adoration:

Confessions: Tuesdays 10.30am & 6pm Saturdays

7.30am Morning Prayer: Monday - Friday **Evening Prayer:** Thursdays 6.30pm **Night Prayer:** Thursdays 8.30pm

Fridays (Vocations) 1.30pm Rosary: Saturdays (Priests) 10.30pm

Housebound? John MacKinnon (See above) for visits Speak to clergy before Mass Coeliacs:

nfp@cathedral-abdn.org

Sunday Coffees: Ann Ryans 07545 615 198 annryans@aol.com Natural Family Margaret Hammond

Planning (NFP)

Date	Details	Service	Time	Mass Intentions
Sun 14th	Fifth Sunday of Easter	Mass	8.00am	C. Dieseru Sp. Intentions
		Polish Mass	9.30am	
		Solemn	11.15am	For the Parish
		Mass	3.00pm	
		Polish Mass	6.00pm	
		Mass	7.00am	Malcolm Dawson Rip
Mon 15th		Mass	12.30pm	Mary Armstrong RIP
		Mass	7.00am	
Tue 16th		Mass	7.00pm	Muammer Dogmus RIP
		Mass	7.00am	
Wed 17th		Mass	12.30pm	
1100 2701		Mass	7.00pm	
		Mass	7.00am	
Thu 18th		Mass	7.00pm	Cesar Zaula Tryon
		Mass	7.00am	Dominic Dieseru
Fri 19th		Mass	12.30pm	
		Mass	10.00am	
Sat 20th			7.00pm	
Sun 21st	Sixth Sunday of Easter	Mass	8.00am	For the safe delivery of
	JIACII Juliudy OI Edstel	Polish Mass	9.30am	sister's child
		Solemn Mass	11.15am	
		Polish Mass	3.00pm	
		Mass	6.00pm	For the Parish

### **Mass Intention Envelopes**

Print details and post through Clergy House each Mass is £5.

It may not always be possible for Mass to be the Administrator's or Bishop's Intentions celebrated on your preferred date or at the for the Parish or Diocese.

These are available at the back of the Church. Cathedral itself. Recommended offering for

Sunday 11:15 Mass is normally reserved for

### OFFERTORY: £2169.40 POLISH OFFERTORY: £765.26 VOCATIONS SUNDAY: £1081.72



Youth

Saturday afternoon. For more details and to

Fridays 7pm to 9pm

Upper Hall

A youth group for teens

aged 11-13

Contact: St. Andrew's Community

There will be a Bake sale next weekend to

raise money for this year's St Andrew Youth

register online please see our website.

FAITH & FUN ON SATURDAYS

Youth group for P2's to P7's

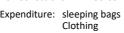
In the Main Hall from

Pilgrimage to Fatima

12.30pm to 2pm every

KIDS4JESUS

### SVDP Polish Collection: £36.81 Box Collections: £153.05



£37.50 £32.08 Food £171.39

Our grateful thanks to all who help us in our work financially and with donations.

### **POWER OF GRACE TEEN RETREAT**

Saturday June 10 from 11am to 6pm at Greyfriars' Convent, Elgin, IV30 1DA Email:

Dominican.sisters@dioceseofaberdeen.org to sign up

# Cathedral

### YOUR PERSONAL HOLY HOUR

Give the Lord one hour each week any time between 6am to Midnight, Mon to Sat. To book your Holy Hour go to: https://stmarysadoration.youcanbook.me

### **CATHEDRAL HEATING**

Please be aware that due to the milder weather during the summer months there will be limited heating in the Cathedral.

### MORNING MASS

Please note that from Friday 26th May the 7am Mass will be discontinued until further

## Please take me home

# Cathedral



During May please Join us in saying the Rosary after Mass on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday (After morning Mass and at approximately 8pm in the evening) & Fridays. Also on Saturdays after 10am Mass.

**CATHEDRAL ROSARY** 

### THANKSGIVING MASS

A Thanksgiving Mass for the 40 Days for Life prayer initiative will be celebrated by Bishop Hugh Gilbert OSB on Wednesday 17th May at 7.00pm.

### SENIORS CLUB

Bring and Buy in Main Hall at 2.00pm on 17th May Everybody welcome

### "BE FILLED WITH THE SPIRIT"

Weekend of Renewal led by Fr Pat Collins CM. St Mary's Cathedral: Friday May 19 from 7pm to 9pm; Saturday May 20 from 10.45 to 4.30pm and Sunday 21 May, 11.15am Mass

### PETER, CORNERSTONE OF CATHOLICISM

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Join us, 'The Beloved Disciples Group' on a journey into the life of one of history's most compelling characters. Cathedral house after the Wednesday lunch time Mass.

### Life in the Spirit Seminars

Organised by the prayer Group of the Life in the Magnificat, Every Tuesday until 20th June, 2017. Time: 7.30 pm - 9.00pm Venue:

Main Hall. Come and be blessed by different speakers and be refreshed through the baptism of the Holy Spirit.

A great selection of books now in the shop.

Benedict XVI Last Testament in his own words Pone St John Paul—In God's Hands—Spiritual Diaries Reason to Believe-Abortion-Marriage Annulment-Contraception and Chastity

25 tough questions on the Catholic faith

20 answers Divorce and Remarriage

20 answers Abortion

Divine Mercy Prayer book

**Divorce Explanations** Living with Illness and Suffering

Contraception and Chastity The Word of the Lord -Discovering Verbum Domini The Inspiration of Truth of Sacred Scripture—the Word

that comes from God and Speak O God for the Salvation of the World

Simple Prayer Book Theology of the Body

Selection of cards and gifts for Confirmation Opening hours of shop 1 hour after every Mass Remember to pick up your Herald and Observer

Anyone interested in going to Medjugorje please leave your name and telephone number in the shop.

### PRAYER MINISTRY

"Pray for each other so that you may be healed" (James 5:16)

Trained prayer teams are now available after the 11.15am and 6pm Masses to pray with anyone who would like to receive, not only the benefit of prayer, but of hearing and experiencing the prayer. This can be a moment of profound encounter with God.

### VENEZUELAN MEDICAL APPEAL

Appeal for your unused medicines (must be within the 'use by' date) for



# **Deanery & Diocese**

World renowned Acapella Choir will be providing free concerts of spirituals, classics, folk and other choral pieces. Friday 26th May at 7.30pm in St Mark's Church Rosemount Viaduct and Saturday 7th in the Church of Christ, 393 George Street. Voluntary donations accepted for CLAN Cancer Support and UK Sepsis Trust

### ANNUAL PILGRIMAGE TO CARFIN

You are invited to join us for a Day of Thanksgiving at Carfin on Sunday 28th May. Coach leaves St Columba's Bridge of Don at 9am and Union Street, opposite the Court House at 9.20-30am. Pilgrimage will include Holy Mass 3pm and Rosary Procession/Benediction 4.45pm Coach will be leaving for home return at 5.30pm Further details available from Kathleen 07969504187 or Ikenna 07947757955. The cost will only be £15 per person if we can fill the bus so please do come.

### ANNUAL CORRYMEELA COFFEE MORNING

Sat 3rd June-10am to noon with stalls. Adults £2.00-Children £1.00. Tickets available from office. Contact Rosie Leavett, tel: 01651 851438 or email rjleavett3@btinternet.com

### PLUSCARDEN LECTURES

GNOSIS AND THE THEOCRATS FROM MARS Four talks by Dr Francesca Murphy. A series of public lectures to be given at Pluscarden Abbey Elgin. 6th—8th June 2017. To register for the talks email guestmaster@pluscardenabbey.org

### Pluscarden diocesan pilgrimage, Sunday 25th june

The knights of St Columba (KSC) are running a coach from Aberdeen for anyone—individuals, couples families—wishing to attend this joyful annual celebration. If you haven't been before this is an excellent opportunity to experience a truly spiritual event, if you have then you will know that!

The cost is £15 for Adults, £40 for a Family (max 2 adults and 2 children), OAP's and children (under 12 years) £12. Pick up's at St Peter's, Cathedral and St Josephs. For details see posters on the Notice Board next to the Cathedral Bookshop or contact: Andy Duncan, 8 Broomhill Way, Kingseat, Newmachar, Telephone 01651 869128

### THE JEWISH ROOTS OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Roy Schoeman explores salvation history; the Old Testament & Judaism as 'preparation' with Jesus and the Church as 'fulfilment'

23rd-25th June at Craig Lodge Family House of Prayer Dalmally, Argyll, PA33 1AR

To book your place either call (0) 1838 200 216 or Email: mail@craiglodge.org

### **BISHOP'S GOLDEN JUBILEE TROPHY**

This year, with the agreement of the golfers, we will return to Duff House Royal Golf Club, Banff for the popular Diocesan Golf Outing on Friday 30th June 2017The cost will be £46 to include one round of golf and a two-course meal

As well as the trophy there will be various other prizes. We need sponsors for the prizes.

Parishes are encouraged to enter more than one team if they so wish

A deposit of £10 per head (£30 per team) is required before 30th May 2017. Please send in details of your team. It would help catering arrangements if you would also let us know of any non-player accompanying your team who will require a meal (£15 each).

### MONASTIC EXPERIENCE WEEKEND

An opportunity for young, Catholic men, aged 18-35, to discover at first hand what monastic life is about Interested? Contact Fr Benedict Hardy OSB novicemaster@pluscardenabbev.ora or call: 01343 890 257

# Weekly Calendar

### Mon | Mother & Toddler Group

For parents with young children. All ages welcome. Main Hall from 1pm-3 pm Contact: Yi-pei Chou chou.turvey@gmail.com

## Credo Community Meeting

Polish charismatic prayer group. Main Hall at 7.30pm . Contact: Klaudiusz Mozolewski 07928323313

### Tue | Magnificat Prayer Group

7.30pm in the Lower Hall after Mass. Contact: Paul Akagwu pakagwu@gmail.com

## St. Vincent de Paul

Feeding the homeless Contact: Evelyn Murray

### **Adult Confirmation Class & RCIA** Cathedral House at 7.30pm

Contact: Fr Keith **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: Jean on 01569 765 799

For Africans and anyone else.

### **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 Lower Hall from 6pm to 7.30pm

Contact: Nogie Osula nogisula@yahoo.com **African Choir** 

### Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm Contact: Patricia Malikebu 07891 714 549

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

### Band Practice

Contemporary music for Sunday 6pm Mass Upper Hall after Mass Contact: John Costaschuk

### Fri Altar Servers' Practice

Contact: Simon begbie\_no1@hotmail.com Youth Groups For teenagers between 11 & 17 Upper Hall 7pm to 9pm

Church from 6.00 to 7.00pm

Contact: St. Andrew's Community **Church Cleaning** Church at 10.30am

### Contact: Joyce Webster 01224 319 154 **Parenting Class**

Clergy House after 10am Mass K4J (Kids for Jesus)

### Youth group for P2's to P7's in the Main Hall from 12.30pm to 2pm

**Saturday Club** nformal social gathering, includes prayer Main Hall from 4pm to 7pm Contact:

African Choir (As above) Upper Hall from 6 - 8.00pm

### **Choir Rehearsal**

Leading the music for 11:15 Sunday Mass Upper Hall 10.15am Contact: Shelagh Noden

Main Hall after 6.00pm