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ENGLISH MARTYRS—

VALE OF THE WHITE HORSE PASTORAL AREA

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East Hendred Catholic Parish

Sixth Week of Easter

14th – 21st May 2023



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All masses live-streamed www.churchservices.tv/easthendred

Church open from 9am each day

SIXTH SUNDAY IN EASTERTIDE			[White]
14th May	9.15am	Children's Church in the Parish Rooms	
	9.30am	Parish Mass	Pro populo
	11.15am	Mass at St Patrick's	
	6pm	Holy Mass	FM Mary Jane Eyston 1917
Monday	<i>Of the Sixth Week of Easter</i>		[White]
15th May	9.15am	Holy Mass	
		<i>RIP Ann Connolly (Christine Duggan)</i>	
Tuesday	<i>Of the Sixth Week of Easter</i>		[White]
16^h May	9.15am	Holy Mass	<i>Annie Furlong (Thanksgiving)</i>
Wednesday	<i>St Dunstan, Bishop</i>		[White]
17th May	9.15am	Holy Mass	
		<i>Those to be baptised and confirmed</i>	
ASCENSION DAY			
Thursday	9.15am	School Mass	
18th May		with Baptism and Confirmation	[Gold]
	6pm	Holy Mass	Pro populo
Friday	Dedication of the Cathedral, Portsmouth		[White]
19th May	8.30am	Holy Mass	<i>The Bishop & Cathedral</i>
Saturday	<i>Of the Sixth Week of Easter</i>		[White]
20th May	<i>No Mass</i>		
SUNDAY AFTER THE ASCENSION			[White]
21st May	9.15am	Children's Church in the Parish Rooms	
	9.30am	Parish Mass	Pro populo
	11am	Holy Mass with First Communions	
	11.15am	Mass at St Patrick's	
	6pm	Holy Mass	

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Fr Andrew is usually available to speak to after Mass.

Arrangements for Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals or other meetings are most conveniently made by e-mail.

Ma Lluïsa Jarne: office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk
or Sunday mass or on Mondays, 6pm-8pm, on 07983045824.

Year of Prayer to the Holy Spirit

ON 1st February 2023. Bishop Philip presented us with the challenge to 'to establish or pledge to develop six holy habits':

- to keep Sunday special, a family day, by attending Mass.
- to spend five minutes a day in prayer using the Scriptures
- to do penance on Fridays, and to serve the poor and needy
- every fortnight to make a Holy Half Hour before the Blessed Sacrament
- to go to Confession once a month
- join a small group for formation, prayer, and fellowship

Reflection – *I AM the Vine*

John 15:5

I AM the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

THE 'I AM' sayings in John's Gospel have this in common: each works at the simple level of an image and yet each creates a wealth of theological reflection. Even the more abstract sayings – 'I AM the resurrection and the life' – inspire an image. Who can hear that without seeing either the tomb of Lazarus or the coffin, at the front, in a funeral service?

I AM the vine is the simplest of images. There is the tree itself – who is Christ – of which those who are 'in Christ' are the branches.

There is the vine-grower, the Father. If one counts up the biblical references to vines and vineyards, there are well over 200, only a tenth of which are in the New Testament. There are another 300 references to wine and over ten per cent of those are in the New Testament. Many, of course, are purely passing references to the economic and social context of God's people but there are telling instances where vines and vineyards, wine and wineskins, are purveyors of theological meaning.

Sometimes we are talking about the Lord's anger. Take, for instance, Isaiah chapter 5. 'My beloved had a vineyard on a very fertile hill' (5:1) 'What more was there to do for my vineyard that I have not done in it? When I expected it to yield grapes, why did it yield wild grapes? ... I will remove its hedge and it shall be devoured...I will make it a waste.... the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the house of Israel, ...the people of Judah are his pleasant planting; he expected justice but saw bloodshed; righteousness but heard a cry' (5:5-7). Hosea has something similar (2:12), 'I will lay waste her vines and her fig trees'.

Mark 12 has the parable of the vineyard. The man leases the vineyard to tenants but when he sends a slave to collect the rent, they beat him up. A second slave is killed. Finally the man sends his son. 'They will respect my son', he says to himself. But the tenants realise that he is the heir and decide to kill him too, to secure the inheritance for themselves. At which point the man gets rid of the tenants and gives the vineyard to new tenants.

What is startling about John 15, is that the well-worn metaphor of the vineyard is replaced by the image of the vine itself. Those who are 'in Christ' are not here tenants of a vineyard. They are not even vines. They are part of the one vine, as dramatic an image as St Paul's body imagery.

We are part of the I AM. The I AM is divine. We share in his divinity. I reflected on this when I came across a collect in the Divine Office:

Lord God, you restore our human nature to a dignity higher than you gave it at creation. *(Thursday in Eastertide, Week 4)*

Those who have received the sacrament of new birth are not simply brought within the Lord's vineyard, we are not simply encouraged to grow as nice Christian vines – tended by the heavenly vinedresser. We grow within the true vine, as branches of the true vine, abiding in Christ as Christ abides with the Father.

Wine is a dangerous drink.

For in the hand of the Lord there is a cup, well mixed and full of foaming wine. He pours it out for all the wicked of the earth; they shall drink it, and drain the dregs. *Psalm 75:8*

Wine is searching stuff. Healthy folk are advised to stay healthy with a couple of glasses of red wine with their daily meal but some people cannot drink it without being very ill. Alcoholics – those addicted to alcohol - must stay away from the stuff entirely if they are to stay alive. The vine is not a cosy image. Nor is the threat that unproductive branches are cut off, gathered, thrown into the fire, and burned. Those who become one with Christ are taking a serious step and nothing gives me more joy, especially

during Eastertide, to see the baptism and confirmation of those for whom becoming one with Christ is a profound, joyful and serious commitment.

But, one final thought. How often do people drink wine at parties and at table without the slightest idea of where the wine comes from? People enjoy their wine without knowing about types of grape, the geography of vineyards or the grading and maturing of the vintage. They drink Chilean and think it's Bulgarian. They drink Californian and they think it's Australian. So it is with the Lord's vintage. There is a positive wine-lake out there of Christian service, as carers care and farmers farm, nurses nurse and teachers teach. Much of this is in the developing world where Christians are at work building schools, running clinics, digging for water, sowing renewable crops. But quite a bit of it is here, in our midst. Bearing fruit is not only the life of prayer or the work of evangelism. Sometimes, I think, we underestimate the size of the vine and the lushness of the branches, the amount of good wine to be drunk and the quality of the vintage.

I AM the vine, you are the branches. Those who abide in me and I in them bear much fruit, because apart from me you can do nothing.

Fr Andrew

GIVING

MARY'S MEALS

Mary's Meals have launched a 'Pray in May' campaign, in support of their work, feeding more than 2.4 million little ones in 18 of the world's poorest countries. They invite you not only to pray but to give as well, this coming month. There will be a **Second Collection this Sunday, 14th May.**

DIDCOT

To help with supplying the Didcot Foodbank, contact Veronica Paget: veronicapaget@hotmail.com or leave suitable food outside her front door.

GIVING TO THE PARISH *(NB some changes here w.e.f. 1st January)*

BY REGULAR STANDING ORDER OR GIFT

BANK DETAILS: CDP East Hendred, St Mary

Sort Code: 309304 Account Number: 00877183

Please note: though the Bank Account Name has changed, the Sort Code and Account Number have not changed. New arrangements need to specify 'CDP East Hendred, St Mary': the prefix PRCDT has been superseded.

To arrange Gift Aid, contact : office@hendredcatholicparish.org.uk

Please let us know (if you are a UK Taxpayer) if you are happy for us to claim Gift Aid. At the start of the tax year we need anybody in Gift Aid to let us know if they are no longer taxpayers. In that case we should not make a claim.

Donations to the parish: www.hendredcatholicparish.org.uk

The Donate button links to 'Give as you Live'

FOR YOUR PRAYERS



THE HOLY FATHER'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

DIOCESAN PRAYER INTENTIONS

Sunday 14 th	Evangelism Strategy Teams in the Diocese
Monday 15 th	Daughters of Mary, Mother of Mercy in the Diocese
Tuesday 16 th	Diocesan Department for Educational Chaplaincies
Wednesday 17 th	Parish of Our Lady of Mercy & St Joseph, Lymington
Thursday 18 th	Community of St John the Baptist, Lee-on-Solent
Friday 19 th	Anniversary of the Formation of the Diocese (1882): the Dioceses of the Province, Canons of the Cathedral Chapter, Parish of St John's Cathedral
Saturday 20 th	Parish of St Saviour, Totland Bay

BAPTISMS, CONFIRMATIONS, & FIRST COMMUNIONS

Ascension Day (9.15am)

Baptism: Callie Gibbons, Sophia Gibbons

Confirmation and First Holy Communion: Sophia Gibbons

Sunday after the Ascension (11am)

First Holy Communion:

Mary Angela Gilson

Maksymilian Hayes

Cullen Maher

Niamh Maher

Kayla Ngfor

Lena Przybylowicz

Connie Roberts

Nikola Wybranska

Pentecost (9.30am)

Adult Baptism, Confirmation and First Holy Communion:

Carrie Brennan

Adult Confirmation and First Holy Communion:

Emma Duffy

THOSE TO BE MARRIED

Rob Bamber and Emma Rockall (at Our Lady & St Edmund, Abingdon)

FR MATTHEW TOPHAM

Fr Matthew will be ordained priest on 15th July and will serve as Priest in Charge of Hendred Catholic Parish from the beginning of September. Please pray for him and for Suzie his wife and for their children Ambrose (4), Frances (3), and Perpetua (1).

THE SICK AND THOSE IN NEED

Annie Furlong, Gwenda, Martha, Jonathan Simm, Helen Lewis, John Castle, Daniel Cuevas, John Stringer, Louise Woodhouse, Brenda Paddon, Karen Greig, Mary McNichol, Des McNichol

THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED

Week 14th - 20th May 2023: Angus McDonald Clark, Harold Davies, Frances Smith, John Joseph Wallington

NOTICEBOARD

ST MARY'S YOUTH GROUP IS LIVE!

Open to **years 7-13 (11-18yr olds)**, we will meet every **2nd and 4th Tuesday** from **7.30pm to 9pm** in the **Parish Rooms**. For the Summer Term we welcome those in year 6 who will be moving up to secondary school in September. We invite the young people to a space where they can chill out from exams, have a bit of fun with people their own age, and explore their faith.

The next meeting is **23rd May** - we are looking forward to seeing you!

If you have any questions, or would like to volunteer please reach out to David or Gemma Guest on davegem2022@gmail.com or 07717417835.

Please support our young people and group in your prayers.

CHURCH SERVICES

On Sunday 7th May, 976 people looked in on 38 machines. 94 stayed long enough to take part in Mass. 19 machines were from the UK, 17 from the USA, one from Russia, and one from Rumania.

The Rosary

The Rosary has five sets of ten beads each preceded by a separate bead. The Our Father is said on the separate bead, a Hail Mary on each of the ten beads, and a Glory be... whilst holding the chain before proceeding to the next separate bead. It is customary to begin, on the short chain, with the Creed (holding the crucifix), an Our Father, three Hail Marys and a Glory be... At the end of the chaplet (set of five mysteries), hold the medal and say the Hail Holy Queen....

The Five Joyful Mysteries (Monday and Saturday)

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| 1 | The Annunciation | <i>Luke 1:26-38</i> |
| 2 | The Visitation | <i>Luke 1:39-46</i> |
| 3 | The Nativity | <i>Luke 2:1-7</i> |
| 4 | The Presentation | <i>Luke 2:22-32</i> |
| 5 | The Finding in the Temple | <i>Luke 2:42-52</i> |

The Five Sorrowful Mysteries (Tuesday and Friday)

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| 1 | The Agony in the Garden | <i>Mark 14:32-38</i> |
| 2 | The Scourging at the Pillar | <i>John 18:33 – 19:1</i> |
| 3 | The Crowning with Thorns | <i>Mark 15:16-20</i> |
| 4 | The Carrying of the Cross | <i>Matthew 27:31-34</i> |
| 5 | The Crucifixion | <i>Luke 23:33-48</i> |

The Five Luminous Mysteries (Thursday)

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| 1 | The Baptism in the Jordan | <i>Matthew 3:13-17</i> |
| 2 | The Wedding at Cana | <i>John 2:1-12</i> |
| 3 | The Proclamation of the Kingdom | <i>Luke 4:14-21</i> |
| 4 | The Transfiguration | <i>Mark 9:2-8</i> |
| 5 | The Institution of the Eucharist | <i>1 Corinthians 11:23-26</i> |

The Five Glorious Mysteries (Wednesday and Sunday)

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| 1 | The Resurrection | <i>Luke 24:1-6</i> |
| 2 | The Ascension | <i>Luke 24:50-53</i> |
| 3 | The Gift of the Holy Spirit | <i>Acts 2:1-4</i> |
| 4 | The Assumption of Our Lady | <i>1 Corinthians 15:20-26</i> |
| 5 | The Coronation of Our Lady and the Glory of the Saints | <i>Revelation 12:1-6</i> |

HAIL HOLY QUEEN, Mother of mercy! Hail, our life, our sweetness and our hope. To thee do we cry, poor banished children of Eve; to thee do we lift up our sighs, mourning and weeping in this vale of tears. Turn then, most gracious advocate, thine eyes of mercy towards us, and after this our exile, show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb, Jesus, O clement, O loving, O sweet Virgin Mary.

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Sixth Sunday of Easter (A) Antiphons, Prayers and Readings

Entrance Antiphon

Vocem iucunditatis

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

Cf Is 48:20

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. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever

First Reading

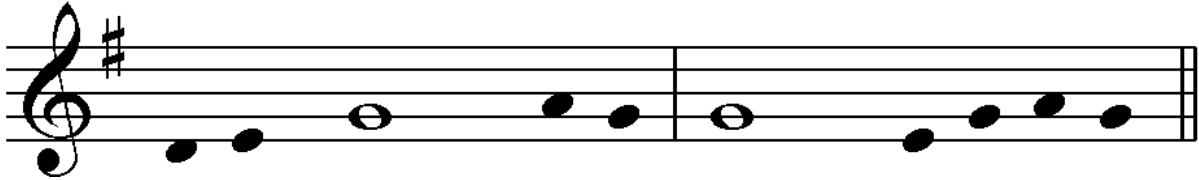
Acts 8:5-8, 14-17(RSV)

⁵Philip went down to a city of Samar'ia, and proclaimed to them the Christ. ⁶And the multitudes with one accord gave heed to what was said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs which he did. ⁷For unclean spirits came out of many who were possessed, crying with a loud voice; and many who were paralyzed or lame were healed. ⁸So there was much joy in that city...¹⁴Now when the apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samar'ia had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, ¹⁵who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit; ¹⁶for it had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been

baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. ¹⁷ Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

Psalm 66 ([Revised] *Grail*)

Tone VIII.2



Ps 66:1-7, 16-20 R/ 1

R/ *Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.* | ()

Cry out with joy to God all *the* earth,
O sing to the glo-ry of his name.
O render him glo-rious praise.
Say to God: 'How awe - *some* are your deeds! **R/**

Before you all the earth shall *bow* down,
shall sing to you, *sing* to your name!
Come and see the works *of* God,
awesome his deeds among the *chil* - dren of men. **R/**

He turned the sea into *dry* land,
they passed through the *ri* - ver on foot.
Let our joy, then, be *in* him;
he rules for e - *ver* by his might. **R/**

Come and hear, all who *fear* God,
I will tell what he *did* for my soul:
Blest be God, who did not reject *my* prayer,
nor withhold from me his *mer* - ci - ful love. **R/**

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:15-18 (RSV)

In your hearts reverence Christ as Lord. Always be prepared to make a defence to any one who calls you to account for the hope that is in you, yet do it with gentleness and reverence; ¹⁶ and keep your conscience clear, so that, when you are abused, those who revile your good behaviour in Christ may be put to shame. ¹⁷ For it is better to suffer for doing right, if that should be God's will, than for doing wrong. ¹⁸ For Christ also died

for sins once for all, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit;

Gospel Acclamation

O filii et filiae



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al-le-lu - ia.

R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Jesus said: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.'

R/ Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia.

Gospel

John 14:15-21 (RSV)

Jesus said to his disciples: If you love me, you will keep my commandments. ¹⁶ And I will pray the Father, and he will give you another Counsellor, to be with you for ever, ¹⁷ even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him; you know him, for he dwells with you, and will be in you.

¹⁸ "I will not leave you desolate; I will come to you. ¹⁹ Yet a little while, and the world will see me no more, but you will see me; because I live, you will live also. ²⁰ In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. ²¹ He who has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me; and he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him."

Prayer over the Offerings

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

Preface

(De vita nova in Christo)

It is truly right and just, our duty and our salvation, at all times to acclaim you, O Lord, but in this time above all to laud you yet more gloriously,

when Christ our Passover has been sacrificed. Through him the children of light rise to eternal life and the halls of the heavenly Kingdom are thrown open to the faithful; for his Death is our ransom from death, and in his rising the life of all has risen. Therefore, overcome with paschal joy, every land, every people exults in your praise, and even the heavenly Powers, with the angelic hosts, sing together the unending hymn of your glory, as they acclaim: Holy, holy, holy *&c.*

Communion Antiphon

Si diligitis me

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.

Scripture Reading (Easter Week 6)

Monday	Acts 16:11-15	John 15:26 – 16:4
Tuesday	Acts 16:22-34	John 16:5-11
Wednesday	Acts 17:15, 22 – 18:1	John 16:12-15
ASCENSION [A]	Acts 1:1–11	
	Ephesians 1:17-23	Matthew 28:16-20
Friday	Acts 18:9-18	John 16:20-23
Saturday	Acts 18:23-28	John 16:23-28
Next Sunday		
Sunday after Ascension	Acts 1:12-14	
	1 Peter 4:13-16	John 17:1-11

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