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Pentecost

9th June 2019

Come Holy Spirit fill the hearts of your faithful

The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles, today's first reading. The account in today's Gospel, taken from the Gospel of John, also recounts how Jesus gave the gift of the Holy Spirit to his disciples. There is no need to try to reconcile these two accounts to each other. It is enough to know that, after his death, Jesus fulfilled his promise to send to his disciples a helper, an advocate, who would enable them to be his witnesses throughout the world.

We previously heard today's Gospel on the second Sunday of Easter. At that time, we also heard the passage that follows, which describes Jesus' appearance to Thomas. In that context, we were led to reflect on belief and unbelief.



In the context of the feast of Pentecost, this reading reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." As he breathes the Holy Spirit upon them, Jesus sends his disciples to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins.

This Gospel reminds us that the Church is called to be a reconciling presence in the world. This reconciling presence of Christ is celebrated in the Church's sacramental life. In the Sacrament of Baptism, we are washed clean from sin and become a new creation in

Bishop's 40th Jubilee Mass

Bishop Stephen Robson will celebrate the Ruby Anniversary of his Sacred Ordination to the Priesthood in St Andrew's Cathedral, Dundee on Thursday 20th June at 7pm with a Solemn Mass of Thanksgiving.

An invitation is extended to you to attend.

Christ. In the Sacrament of Penance, the Church celebrates the mercy of God in forgiving sins. This reconciling presence is also to be a way of life for Christians. In situations of conflict, we are to be agents of peace and harmony among people.

Dunkeld News

Copies of Bishop Stephen's latest newsletter are available in the church porch - please take a copy - and take one to a friend or family member who has been unable to join you at Mass recently. Copies are FREE.

For today's Mass

Responsorial Psalm

Send forth your Spirit,
O Lord,
and renew
the face of the earth.

Gospel Acclamation

Come, Holy Spirit,
fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them
the fire of your love.



All are welcome - especially those who are joining the Church at Easter - indeed everyone who is searching to gain a deeper insight into scriptures and the liturgy. The talks will often draw on Scripture readings for Sunday Masses and so will be helpful to readers and cantors wishing to enrich their ministry

Led by Canon Kevin Golden
the popular adult formation series

Wednesdays at 7.30pm,
at the Pastoral Centre,
24-28 Lawside Road,
Dundee, DD3 6XY

Contact Canon Kevin (01382 225228)

AROUND PERTH

Mass in

St Mary Magdalene's, Craigie

10am - Sunday

8am - Weekdays

(except Wednesday and Saturday)

7am - Wednesday; 10am - Saturday

Sunday Mass in

Our Lady of Lourdes, Letham

5.30pm (vigil); 11am

Sunday Mass in

St Mary's, Kinnoull

10am

Sunday Mass in St John's

4pm (anticipated Mass); 9am; 11am,

5pm (Polish) & 6.30pm

PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose
of the soul of
Ann Smyth
and the souls
of all the faithful
departed.

**Eternal rest grant
unto their souls, O Lord.
May they rest in peace.
Amen**

Feastdays this week

Monday 10th June

Mary, Mother of the Church

Tuesday 11th

St Barnabus

Thursday 13th June

St Antony of Padua

Scalan Mass

The Annual Pilgrimage Mass at Scalan takes place this year on Sunday 16 June, Trinity Sunday, at 4pm. It was on this feast in 1769, 250 years ago this year, that Bishop George Hay, one of the great names of our Catholic past, was consecrated bishop in the tiny upstairs chapel in the present Scalan building, in secret because of the anti-Catholic Penal Laws.

Congratulations

Congratulations to all our St Mary Magdalene's pupils at St John's Academy who received awards and trophies at this week's school award ceremony.



Col Young, 2019 School Dux Medalist

Justice and Peace

"Do not grieve or complain that you were born in a time when you can no longer see God in the flesh. He did not in fact take this privilege from you. As He says: 'Whatever you have done to the least of my brothers, you did to me'."

Saint Augustine of Hippo

The series of Faith Formation Meetings with Bishop Stephen Robson, Canon Kevin Golden and Mary O'Duffin - is being completed ONLINE.

You can catch up with the talks so far and discover the newest ones at www.dunkeld-diocese.org.uk



ARE YOU GOING TO BE IN HOSPITAL? DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS IN HOSPITAL?

Name _____ Hospital _____ Ward _____

Please complete/ tear off and hand it to Mgr Hendry after Mass