

SUNDAY 19TH MAY 2019

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

The First Reading – Paul and Barnabas engage in the wonderful task of ‘putting fresh heart’ into disciples.

The Second Reading – The Bible opens with God’s creation of heaven and earth. Now, as it closes, the promise of the first creation is fulfilled, in ‘a new heaven and a new earth.’

The Gospel – It is when he is about to depart from his disciples that Jesus leaves them the commandment of love. To love is even more important than to see or understand!

BAPTISM: The second May Baptisms will take place on Sunday 26th at 1.30pm.

PRIEST TRAINING FUND COLLECTION: There will be a second collection this Sunday.

Today’s second collection will support the Priest Training Fund. This fund pays for the priestly formation of men for the Catholic priesthood. There are currently 45 men studying at Allen Hall seminary, 27 of whom are for our own Diocese, and last year eight men ordained to the priesthood to serve as out future priests. The fund also supports the ongoing enrichment and formation of our ordained priests. Your gift ensures we can provide training for these men responding to Christ’s call to dedicate their lives to serve God’s people. Please be as generous as you can. Please also pray for vocations and for all our priests. If you do not have a donation leaflet, plenty are still available at the back of the church. You can donate online anytime at www.rcdow.org.uk/donations.

CONFIRMATION: Please continue to pray for our young adults from Our Lady of Lourdes who will be confirmed this Sunday at 3:00pm. They are prepared well of the occasion, and we congratulate them and their families at this very important time in their faith journey. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank, the confirmation catechetical team who gave up so much of their time to help during the preparation. We look forward to welcoming Bishop John Wilson to the parish to celebrate confirmation and make a pastoral visit. We don’t have a big church but we do have a big welcome, so everybody is welcome to attend the confirmation ceremony, this Sunday at 3:00pm. Come early to get a seat!

PARISH SUMMER COACH TRIP SATURDAY 13TH JULY:

This year we have our annual coach trip to Boscombe a suburb of Bournemouth, Historically in Hampshire, but today in Dorset, it is located to the east of Bournemouth town centre and west of Southbourne. Known for its [market](#) that’s open on Saturdays from 9am – 5pm or wander towards the seafront and you’ll find [Boscombe Pier](#). With fantastic views along the coast, the restored pier is a great place to stroll and look out for the crafted musical instruments lining the route. Recently added, the fish-friendly [mini-golf](#) on the pier is a fun diversion to test your skill, and feed the fish at the end of your round with the fish-food golf ball! Along the promenade there’s a choice of more places to eat and drink too. The trip will take place on Saturday July 13th more details and tickets available next week.

RCIA has now finished for the current cycle. Thank you to all the catechists and sponsors for all their support. Lastly, we congratulate both men who were baptised, confirmed and received Holy Communion at the Easter Vigil. Please keep them in your prayers.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: Please pray for the children who will be making their First Holy Communion at the 10.30 and 12pm Masses on 26th May and 2nd June, and the 12pm Mass on 9th June.

REFLECTIONS FOR YOUNG ADULTS: A meeting of young adults at Archbishop’s House will take place on Tuesday 21st May, 6.30pm. These meetings are an opportunity for young adults to come together, pray, have input from one of our diocesan bishops, reflect and discuss the place of faith in the life of young people. This time focusing on the exhortation from Pope Francis addressed to young people. All young adults are invited to attend. Please register your attendance by email to youth@rcdow.org.uk. For more details www.dowym.com/events

YOU CAN HELP YOUR MARRIAGE – Do you feel alone? Are you frustrated or angry with each other? Do you argue ... or have you just stopped talking to each other? Does talking about it only make it worse? **Retrouvaille** (pronounced retro-vi with a long i) helps couples through difficult times in their marriages. There is no group therapy or group work. This programme has helped 10s of 1000s of couples experiencing difficulties in their marriage. For confidential information about Retrouvaille’, or to register for the next programme commencing with a residential weekend on 7th – 9th June 2019 Call or text 0788 7296983 or 0797 3380443 or Email retrouvailleukinfo@gmail.com – or visit www.retrouvaille.org.uk

CARDINAL WISEMAN SCHOOL JOB VACANCIES:

Finance and Human Resource Manager: £33,432 - £34,935 (inclusive of allowances) Closing Date: 3rd June
Senior SEN Teaching Assistant: £20,209 – £21,316 (term time). Closing date: 4th June
Full details available at www.wiseman.ealing.sch.uk

THIEVES OPERATING IN CHURCHES: A reminder has come to our attention from the neighbourhood watch for parishioners to not leave their bags unattended in church.

ACTON HOMELESS CONCERN: due to renovations taking place in Emmaus House, Acton Homeless Concern cannot accept clothes donations for the next 2 weeks. The British Heart Foundation in Ealing or Cape on Churchfield Rd are more than happy to accept your donations.

FUNERAL OF THE LATE PHYLLIS YANETTA: The funeral will take place at Our Lady of Grace and St Edward in Chiswick on Wednesday 22nd May at 11:30am. Her body will be received into the Church the evening before at 6pm.

WALK IN CLINIC: A qualified therapist will help ease your pain every Friday 9 – 12pm at No.3. Free of charge.

TEA AND COFFEE: There will be tea and coffee in the hall after the 9.00am and 10.30am masses every Sunday morning.