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Mass Times LIVE via the webcam
Monday - Friday 10am and 5.35 pm
Saturday: 10 am Vigil Mass: 6 pm
Sunday: 9 am, 10.30 am and 12 noon

New publication from the SMA.

I would like to recommend a new publication by Fr. Tim Cullinane SMA. The book is entitled **"The Catholic Faith through Stories"**. Much of what we remember from Jesus are his parables and stories. Tim, in this book, using stories and parables, addresses such varied topics as *"Meaning of Life"*, *"Who is God for you?"*, *"The will of God"*, *"Devil and Temptation"* and many more.

It's an interesting way of putting before us some of the deep mysteries of our faith. The book is on sale in the Mass office at €5 a copy.

Here is a sample of one such story:

Devils discuss tactics.

There is a story about three devils who were planning a strategy to confuse people with lies and lead them astray. The first said, "Tell them there is no hell, so there is nothing to be afraid of". The second disagreed, "No, that's not enough. Why not tell them "There is no heaven"? Take away all hope, take away a future to look forward to. The third spoke out of the experience of years. "Forget about this heaven and hell tactic. That is all too unreal for them. I know how they live and how they think. You must meet them where they are. Don't bother telling them there is no hell. Don't tell them there is no heaven. **Just tell them there is no need to hurry.**"

INDIA CORONAVIRUS APPEAL.

Our Appeal to support the plight of the people of India, as they seek to address the consequences of the Virus, is proving to be a very positive challenge to our parish. The response from our members has been fantastic, now we are combining with the Syro-Malibar Indian community who use our church and have been active in our parish. With their contribution and with what we have collected we are just short of collecting **€11,000** for our appeal. This is way beyond any appeal we have supported to date. **Wonderful.**

With the advice of Fr. Sibi, the Syro-Malibar chaplain, we have identified an appropriate charity in India which we will use the money to assist.

It's nice to know that our contribution will be administered properly and can make a practical difference to the challenge facing the people of India. Details of the charity will be announced; we will continue the appeal until mid-June.

EVERYONE

has their own path. Walk yours with integrity and wish all others peace on their journey . When your paths cross, enjoy their presence. When the paths separate, return to the wholeness of yourself. Give thanks for the footprints they left on your soul, and embrace this time to now journey on your own.

Unknown / Power of Words



8 ways to use social media responsibly

1. Clarify your purpose.

Reflect on why you are on social media in the first place. If it is to nurture connections with others and better understand the world, great. Stay on. If it is for any other reason, step away.

2. Know your sources.

In your pursuit of better understanding the world, make sure that what you are reading is accurate and grounded in fact. Do not share anything that you have not verified is a trusted news source.

3. Understand bias.

The world is a big place. In order to really understand it better, read from persons and sources that hold different perspectives than you do. Avoid "alternative facts" but remain always open to receiving additional facts and interpretations of those facts.

4. Value the person.

When replying to someone on social media, even though you may only see their head, remember they are a whole person and are worthy of being treated with human dignity, whether you agree with them or not.

5. Lead with curiosity.

If you are going to engage in conversation with someone about an area of disagreement, don't waste your time trying to persuade them to think otherwise online. Rather, use the opportunity to ask genuine questions to understand why they hold what they hold. You don't need to buy into their argument to find out more about their perspective.

6. Talk about intent and impact.

Acknowledge that it is possible to have good intentions on social media and still impact others negatively by what you post. Listen to others' feedback. Likewise, know that when you are offended by someone's post, it doesn't mean that they posted it with the intention to offend. Ask about their intention.

7. Privilege face-to-face encounter.

Don't let Facebook friendships trump real life relationships. Let the people who are right in front of you have access to you first.

8. Manage your energy.

Decide how much time you want to give to social media in your week and stick to it. Don't let endless scrolling keep you from sleep and exercise, important work or meaningful hobbies.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

He fed them with the finest wheat and satisfied them with honey from the rock.

PENITENTIAL ACT

Lord Jesus, you are mighty God and prince of peace:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Son of God and Son of Mary:

Christ, have mercy. **Christ, have mercy.**

Lord Jesus, you are Word made flesh and splendour of the Father:

Lord, have mercy. **Lord, have mercy.**

May almighty God **Amen.**

THE GLORIA

Glorify God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world,

have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**



OPENING PRAYER

O God, who in this wonderful Sacrament have left us a memorial of your Passion, grant us, we pray, so to revere the sacred mysteries of your Body and Blood that we may always experience in ourselves the fruits of your redemption.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ...

✠ LITURGY OF THE WORD ✠

FIRST READING Exodus 24: 3 - 8

A reading from the book of Exodus

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the

Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

(*Corpus Christi*) 6th June 2021

Today is our celebration that Jesus is present always with us, in signs we can recognise but not understand. It is a feast of the mystery of his presence, always close to his people.



early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps. 115

R. The cup of salvation I will raise; I will call on the Lord's name. or Alleluia!

1. How can I repay the Lord for his goodness to me?
The cup of salvation I will raise;
I will call on the Lord's name. **[R]**
2. O precious in the eyes of the Lord is the death of his faithful.
Your servant, Lord, your servant am I;
you have loosened my bonds. **[R]**
3. A thanksgiving sacrifice I make:
I will call on the Lord's name.
My vows to the Lord I will fulfil
before all his people. **[R]**

SECOND READING Hebrews 9: 11 - 15

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by men's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how

much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the living bread which has come down from heaven, says the Lord. Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mark 14: 12-16, 22-26

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the Passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the Passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.

And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the

Mount of Olives.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREEED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven,

All bow for following three lines:

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. **Amen**

✠ LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST ✠

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

Grant your Church, O Lord, we pray, the gifts of unity and peace, whose signs are to be seen in mystery in the offerings we here present. Through Christ our Lord.

AFTER THE CONSECRATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.

