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3rd Sunday of Easter Year A – 26th April 2020

***Our churches remain closed under the lockdown.
For further information, and for resources on how to celebrate faith at home,
please see the Diocesan Website: www.rcdhn.org.uk***

We remember those who have asked for our prayers in April:

And we pray for Bob Burns who died recently. His funeral service will take place on Tues 28 April, 12noon at Tynemouth crematorium. May they rest in peace.

Anniversaries: Bryan Ruddick, Patricia Leahy, Pater Laughlan, Peggy Taylor, George Lilly, Stanley Bell, Dorothy Reid, Francis Campbell, Joe Dunn, Margaret Redburn, Ken Smith, Bill Jackson, Moira Joyce.

Helpline: Please call **251 3770** if you live alone with no one to help, and would like assistance with your shopping. **If you would like to volunteer** to help then please ring this number.

Fr Martin will be saying Mass, on his own, during this time. If parishioners would like a Mass intention to be celebrated then please let the parish office know in the usual way.

Items for the Newsletter can still be submitted electronically via the parish e-mail address or in writing delivered to the presbytery.

Prayer for the End of the Virus:

Almighty and merciful Father, who show your love to all your children.

We come before you asking for a quick control of the Coronavirus currently ravaging our world.

Hear graciously the prayers we make for those affected by the virus in various parts of the world.

Grant healing to the sick, eternal life to the dead and consolation to the bereaved families.

We pray that an effective medicine to combat the sickness be speedily found.

We pray for the relevant governments and health authorities that they take appropriate steps for the good of the people. Look upon us in your mercy and forgive us our failings. Amen.

Diocesan News

Each **Thursday at 7.00pm** during the lockdown a Bishop will celebrate a Mass, which will be live streamed, for those frontline workers in the NHS and care homes, for the sick and their families and for the repose of the souls of the deceased. The schedule is as follows:

30th April Bishop Richard Moth Arundel Cathedral

7th May Bishop Marcus Stock Leeds Cathedral

14th May Bishop Robert Byrne Newcastle Cathedral

21st May Bishop Mark Davies Shrewsbury Cathedral

28th May Bishop Terry Draine Middleb'ro Cathedral

By visiting the Cathedral webpage, or the Bishops' Conference Webpage (cbcew.org.uk) links for the live-streaming of these Masses can be found.

*Let nothing disturb you.**Let nothing upset you.**Everything changes.**God alone is unchanging.**With patience all things are possible.**Whoever has God lacks nothing.**God alone is enough.**(St Teresa of Avilla)*

United in Prayer: Please Join in with the **Praying of the Rosary** in your home each Friday at 9.00am.

The 'Magnificat' Booklet is an excellent resource and is available online free of charge. This provides Morning, Evening and Night Prayer and the daily mass readings at: <https://us.magnificat.net/free>.

Live streaming of Mass from various cathedrals, basilicas and churches is available via the Internet. Please see the diocesan website.

First Reading

On the feast of Pentecost, Peter preaches to the Jews about the resurrection of Jesus.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him: I saw the Lord before me always, for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. So my heart was glad and my tongue cried out with joy; my body, too, will rest in the hope that you will not abandon my soul to Hades nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. You have made known the way of life to me, you will fill me with gladness through your presence.' 'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by Gods right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

Responsorial Psalm

Response: Show us, Lord, the path of life.

Psalm 15

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| 1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;
it is you yourself who are my prize.' | 2. I will bless the Lord who give me counsel,
who even at night directs my heart.
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. |
| 3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad,
even my body shall rest in safety.
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,
nor let your beloved know decay. | 4. You will show me the path of life,
The fullness of joy in your presence,
at your right hand happiness for ever. |

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:17-21

What we enjoy as Christians was won for us by Christ. Our response should be a life of holiness.

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason - so that you would have faith and hope in God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, explain the scriptures to us.
Make our hearts burn within us as you talk to us. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading

Luke 24:13-35

The risen Jesus joins two of his disciples on their journey, and shows them that it was by dying that he entered into glory.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast. Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.' Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself. When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?' They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

Question of the week

In what way have you come to know Jesus better through the breaking of the bread at Eucharist?