

**ST DOMINIC'S, DURSLEY**  
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**ST JOSEPH'S, NYMPFIELD**

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**SUNDAY 15 MAY 2022**  
**FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C**



**Collect**

Almighty and ever-living God, constantly accomplish the Paschal Mystery within us, that those you were pleased to make new in Holy Baptism may, under your protective care, bear much fruit and come to the joys of eternal life

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

Amen

## **Gospel** (John 13: 31 – 35)

When Judas had gone Jesus said:

‘Now has the Son of Man been glorified,  
and in him God has been glorified.

If God has been glorified in him,  
God will in turn glorify him in himself,  
and will glorify him very soon.

‘My little children,  
I shall not be with you much longer.

I give you a new commandment:  
love one another;

just as I have loved you,  
you also must love one another.

By this love you have for one another,  
everyone will know that you are my disciples.’

## **Reflection**

John's Gospel does not present a sentimental view of love. This is a type of love that is shown in service and sacrifice. It is difficult to choose to love when faced with hatred and anger. Jesus tells the disciples that all will know that they are his disciples because of the love they show for one another.

This description of the early Christian community will be repeated in the Acts of the Apostles: “See how they love one another.” Christian love is the hallmark of Christianity. We see it lived in the witness of the martyrs. We see it in the example of the lives of the saints. We see it in the holy women and men who live and love daily, making small and large sacrifices for others.

## **Guidance for Worship**

You are strongly recommended to continue to wear a mask and to behave in a way that is respectful of the needs of others. It is still good practice to sanitise hands on entry and exit.

If you display any positive symptoms of Covid-19 you should stay at home and not participate in acts of worship at church

Communion will continue to be received in one kind only

## **Glastonbury Pilgrimage**

A date for your diary: this year's pilgrimage will be on Sunday 10 July. We are hoping to make transport available

<b>Celebration of Mass</b>			
Friday 13 May	7.00pm	Mass	Dursley
Saturday 14 May	5.30pm	Mass	Nympsfield
Sunday 15 May	10.30am	Mass	Dursley
Wednesday 18 May	9.00am	Mass	Dursley
Thursday 19 May	10.00am	Mass	Nympsfield
Friday 20 May	7.00pm	Mass	Dursley

## **Synod update**

Thank you to all of you who completed the Synod questionnaire at the beginning of the year. Your comments and observations were put together and sent to the Diocese by the end of February as required. They have now completed their report putting together the comments from the whole diocese and sent it to the Bishop's Conference. The report will be presented to each parish in the diocese at an event in Clifton Cathedral at 7pm on 22<sup>nd</sup> June to which everyone is invited. In the meantime, your comments are being considered by our Parish Council to see if there is anything we should be doing locally to respond to the desires raised. In fact, parishioners' comments are welcome at any time as far as the PPC is concerned.

If you would like to attend the presentation, please book via the following link.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/evening-liturgy-synod-tickets-327123734897>

*Sue Whitney*

## **Marriage Mass: Saturday 2 July**

Bishop Declan is celebrating Mass in the Cathedral on Saturday 2 July (12 noon) and is inviting all married couples to join him. He will send a personal invitation to those couples who are celebrating significant anniversaries during 2022 or those who will marry during this year. If you are celebrating a 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th, 65th, or 70th anniversary during 2022 or getting married this year please email

[adult.education@cliftondiocese.com](mailto:adult.education@cliftondiocese.com)

so that a personal invitation can be sent out, leaving details of your names, address, and the number of years you are both celebrating.

## Platinum Jubilee

Celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with an afternoon tea

Where: St Dominic's Church Hall or on the lawn (weather permitting)

When: Friday 3rd June 2022 at 2.30pm

Price: £6.00 each adults, £3.00 each children

All proceeds going to Church funds

Food must be preordered and paid for in advance please

Please email Laura at

[lauraml3638@outlook.com](mailto:lauraml3638@outlook.com)

to pre-order or complete the form at the back of the church.



Please pay in advance by cheque or cash payable to St Dominic's

*Laura Gardiner*



*You are very warmly invited to the*  
**ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD**  
*of Deacon Joseph Meigh*

Bishop Declan will ordain Joseph as a priest during Mass at Clifton Cathedral, at 11am on Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July.

Please come and join in this celebration of the gift of priesthood, and of the Church in our diocese, and please keep Joseph in your prayers during these final weeks of preparation.

## Churches Together Vigil for Ukraine

Every Thursday, 6.00pm to 7.00pm at the Market building in Dursley

## Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May: For faith-filled young people

For all young people, called to live life to the fullest, may they see in Mary's life the way to listen, the depth of discernment, the courage that faith generates, and the dedication to service

## Baptism

Congratulations to the family of Rex Terence Smith who was baptised at St Joseph's on Saturday 7 May

### Our Parish

PLEASE PRAY for those who have died recently:

Richard Tully

### Diocesan Prayer Link:

St Teresa, Filton St Vincent de Paul, Southmead

### Churches Together Prayer Rota:

Dursley Tabernacle

### Parish Prayer Rota:

The children of our parishes