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Mass Timetable for week beginning "Fifth Sunday of Easter"

Date	Feast	Time	Church	Intention
Sunday 10th May 2020	Fifth Sunday Of Easter	All Masses Suspended		
Monday 11th	Easter Feria	All Masses Suspended		
Tuesday 12th	Easter Feria	All Masses Suspended		
Wednesday 13th	Easter Feria	All Masses Suspended		
Thursday 14th	St Matthias	All Masses Suspended		
Friday 15th	Easter Feria	All Masses Suspended		
Saturday 16th May	Easter Feria	All Masses Suspended		
Sunday 17th May 2020	Sixth Sunday Of Easter	All Masses Suspended		

Please see below **web address** which contains posters in 34 different languages containing relevant information regarding Coronavirus aka COVID-19.

<https://www.doctorsoftheworld.org.uk/coronavirus-information/#>

Pope Francis 'Tweet of the Week':

'Some ideas cause division to the point that the idea is more important than the Holy Spirit who guides us. May the Lord free us from divisions, and help us understand this great mystery of Jesus: He is everyone's Shepherd, in Him we are all brothers and sisters.'

Please pray for:

Jean Jackson, Kathleen O'Brien, Mary Taylor, Raymond Blackburn, Donald White and all those who have died recently, may they rest in peace; for their families at this difficult time; for those whose anniversaries occur at this time; for all who are sick and housebound.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for May 2020.

Prayer intention for evangelisation - For Deacons.

We pray that Deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Gospel Reflection

Jesus began to prepare his followers for his own departure from the world. There are two aspects of this. Firstly, Jesus speaks of the final purpose, union with the Father, and his preparation of a place for us there. "There is plenty of room", he says, suggesting not that there are plenty of cubicles for different sets of people (bishops, priests, babies, monks and maniacs etc!) but there is no lack of space. No problem of only one wins the prize" in this case. The second aspect is preparation for the future of the Church on earth, and the almost shocking promise that in the absence of Jesus - but in the strength of his Spirit - his people will do "even greater works". Paul teaches that believers "make up what is lacking in the sufferings of Christ" for in every age the Church fills up the measure of Christ's sufferings; it is a Church which shares its Master's trials. In the same way in every age the Church must carry on the works of Christ. In John, the "works" of Jesus are the marvellous deeds, beyond human powers, which show who Jesus is. We too are called on to perform marvellous deeds, beyond human powers, works of grace and generosity. (HW)

Canon Geoffrey

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYERS TO OUR LADY FOR MAY 2020

O Mary, you shine continuously on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who, at the foot of the Cross, were united with Jesus' suffering, and persevered in your faith.

Salus Populi Romani, you know our needs, and we know that you will provide, so that, as at Cana in Galilee, joy and celebration may return after this time of trial.

Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform ourselves to the will of the Father and to do what Jesus tells us. For he took upon himself our suffering, and burdened himself with our sorrows to bring us, through the Cross, to the joy of the Resurrection.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God; do not despise our petitions in our necessities, but deliver us always from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen! Alleluia!



The image of Our Lady. *Salus Populi Romani*, 'Protectress of the Roman People', is normally kept in the Papal Basilica of St Mary Major, and is very dear to our Holy Father Pope Francis.

We fly to your protection, O Holy Mother of God.

In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection.

Virgin Mary, turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease, cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment.

Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Plead with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and the victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust.

Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic effort and grant them strength, generosity and continued health.

Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests who, in their pastoral concern and fidelity to the Gospel, are trying to help and support everyone.

Blessed Virgin, illumine the minds of men and women engaged in scientific research, that they may find effective solutions to overcome this virus.

Support national leaders, that with wisdom, solicitude and generosity they may come to the aid of those lacking the basic necessities of life and may devise social and economic solutions inspired by farsightedness and solidarity.

Mary Most Holy, stir our consciences, so that the enormous funds invested in developing and stockpiling arms will instead be spent on promoting effective research on how to prevent similar tragedies from occurring in the future.

Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are all members of one great family and to recognise the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service, constant in prayer.

Mary, Consolation of the afflicted, embrace all your children in distress and pray that God will stretch out his all-powerful hand and free us from this terrible pandemic, so that life can serenely resume its normal course.

To you, who shine on our journey as a sign of salvation and hope, do we entrust ourselves, O Clement, O Loving, O Sweet Virgin Mary. Amen! Alleluia!