

Readings for 5th Sunday of Lent - Year A

First Reading

Ezekiel 37:12-14

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this - it is the Lord who speaks.

The Word of the Lord.

Ps: 129

[R]: *With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.*

Second Reading

Romans 8:8-11

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you. **The Word of the Lord.**

Gospel Acclamation: *Glory and praise to you, O Christ! I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will never die. Glory and praise to you, O Christ.*

Gospel Reading

John 11:3-7.17.20-27.33-45

. . . . The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.' Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' 'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said: 'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me, but I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.' When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.' Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him. **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Mystery of Faith: *When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.*



Holy Souls' Catholic Church

The Reminder

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Holy Souls' Presbytery, Frodingham Road, Scunthorpe, DN15 7TA

Sunday, 22nd March 2015

Fifth Sunday of Lent - Year B

Timetable for the Week

<i>Day</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Intention</i>
Saturday 21st March 2015 <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30pm Roxby 5.30 pm	Bernie Walker RIP Polish Priest's Intentions People of the Parish Nora May Rochford, Chris Flynn and Family RIP
Sunday 22nd March 2015 <i>Fifth Sunday of Lent</i>	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Intentions of H & Z Knapik Polish Priest's Intentions Deceased McIntyre Family
Monday <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.00 am	Manuel Fernandes & Cristina Ximenes RIP
Tuesday <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 7.00-8.00 pm	Katie & John Hyland RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Holy Hour
Wednesday - <i>Annunciation of The Lord</i>	12.00 noon	John Morgan RIP
Thursday <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 8.00 pm Gainsboro	Matthew Keys RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Deanery Station Mass
Friday <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.00 am 9.30 am Polish 6.30 pm Stations 7.00 pm	Theresa Doyle RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Stations of The Cross Intentions of Barbara Harris
Saturday 28th March 2015 <i>Lenten Feria</i>	9.30 am 10.30 am Polish 5.30pm Roxby 5.30 pm	People of the Parish Polish Priest's Intentions Frances Brown RIP Hilda Riley RIP
Sunday 29th March 2015 <i>Palm Sunday</i>	9.30 am 4.30 pm Polish 6.30 pm	Marie & Peter Kitchen RIP Polish Priest's Intentions Martin Glynn RIP
Confessions	<i>Saturday 11.00 am to 12 noon; 4.30 pm to 5.00 pm</i>	
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	<i>Tuesday - 7.00 to 8.00 pm Wednesday - 11.00 am to 12.00 noon Saturday - 4.30 to 5.15 pm concluding with Benediction</i>	

Parish Clergy:

Canon Edward Jarosz, Fr Benedict Abuo and Deacon Bernard Croft

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This Week

CAFOD

We will take a second collection this weekend.

Lenten Programme

Tuesday, 24th March - Lent Worship at St George's Church, Frodingham Road, at 12.30 pm. Followed by soup and roll lunch. All welcome.

First Holy Communion Programme

Congratulations to the children who celebrated the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time last week. Please note there is no Wednesday afternoon session at school this week. Sessions will resume after the Easter holidays.

Annual Easter Draw

First Prize £100. Tickets now on sale. Tickets for this draw can be sold outside of the Church so if you are willing to sell any at your workplace or in your neighbourhood, please speak to Elaine Hemingway. *Donations of prizes would be gratefully received.*

Extra Confessions

There will be an extra opportunity for Confessions on Saturday 28th March 7.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

CTS

We have some more copies of 'A Simple Prayer Book' (£3 a copy) and also two new leaflets 'Examination of Conscience' and 'Preparing for Confession' (suggested donation 25p).

Lenten Confession

Pope Francis recently offered the following examination of conscience to help us prepare for our Lenten confession. The questions include:

- Do I only turn to God when I'm in need?
- Do I attend Mass on Sundays and Holydays of Obligation?
- Do I begin and end the day with prayer?
- Am I embarrassed to show that I am a Christian?
- Do I rebel against God's plan?
- Am I envious, hot-tempered, biased?
- Am I honest and fair with everyone or do I fuel the "throwaway culture?"
- In my marital and family relations, do I uphold morality as taught in the Gospels?
- Do I honour and respect my parents?
- Have I refused newly conceived life? Have I snuffed out the gift of life? Have I helped do so?
- Do I respect the environment?
- Am I part worldly and part believer?
- Do I overdo it with eating, drinking, smoking and amusements?
- Am I overly concerned about my physical well-being, my possessions?
- How do I use my time? Am I lazy?
- Do I want to be served?
- Do I dream of revenge, hold grudges?
- Am I meek, humble and a builder of peace?

Spanned

Members of the Spanned Group thank parishioners for their support of the Stations of The Cross led by Spanned last week.

Real Easter Eggs

Made from Fairtrade chocolate and including a leaflet retelling the Easter Gospel. Available from The Well and selected other retailers.

Bag Pack

Elaine Hemingway has been granted permission by Sainsbury's to have a 'bag pack' in the aid of The Forge on Friday 10th April. Elaine would be grateful to anyone who can spare an hour or two on that day to help. Please phone (01724) 842834.

Pilgrimages

A parishioner from Fr Eddy's previous parish is organising pilgrimages to Poland (October 2015) and to the Holy Land (November 2015). If anyone is interested in finding out more please speak to Fr Eddy. Fr Eddy hopes to organise a pilgrimage to the Holy Land sometime over the next few years, but if anyone is anxious to go sooner, this might be a good opportunity.

Chrism Mass

Takes place at St Barnabas Cathedral, Nottingham, on Wednesday, 1st April 2015 at 11.30 am. All welcome.

Deanery Penitential Service

On Tuesday, 31st March 2015, at St Bernadette's Church at 7.00 pm. All the priests of the Deanery will be present so there will be a wide choice of Confessors.



Please come and join us in the Parish Hall for tea and coffee after the 9.30 am Sunday Mass

Scunthorpe General Hospital - For the ministration of a Catholic priest contact Fr Eddy Jarosz or Fr Benedict Abuo on (01724) 842197