

Sixth Sunday of Easter
Gospel: John 14:23-26

Peace I give you..
This is my gift to you.



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Sunday 22nd May 2022

The Sixth Sunday of Easter

After listening to today's Gospel, The Promise of the Spirit (John 14:23-29), consider Fr Henry Wansbrough's reflection. In these final discourses of Jesus at the Last Supper (as he sketches the outlines of his future Church) there are four passages which promise the coming of a Paraclete or Advocate, the Holy Spirit.

'Paraclete' and 'Advocate' mean the same: someone who is called to your side as a supporter, often in a legal situation. The Father will send this Paraclete, in the name and power of Jesus, so that the Paraclete will make Christ present in the Church in a new way. The Paraclete will strengthen Jesus' disciples with Christ's own strength. The Paraclete will lead the disciples into all truth, so that they gradually come to a fuller understanding of all the implications of the teaching of Jesus.

Like any legal advocate, the Paraclete will provide the followers of Jesus with the power in teaching and argument to withstand opposition. This is the power which will guide the Church in ages to come, not only the official teachers of the Church, the successors of the apostles, but all the faithful who preserve and enrich the tradition of the Church by their prophetic office.

The decree of Vatican II on the Church leaves no doubt that not only the call to sanctity but also participation in the prophetic office of Christ extends to all the members of the Church; this is an inspiring and awesome responsibility for us all.

For what special task do I most need the Paraclete's strength and guidance?

Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB

NEWS FROM OUR CHURCHES:

PLEASE HELP

We have a retiring collection on behalf of World Communications Day with baskets for your donation at both church entrances. Thank you.

ST AIDAN'S SPRING PLANT SALE

Sunday 29th May, 10.00 until 12.00 noon on Swarland Avenue, NE7 7TD.

Plants include a variety of annuals and perennials - all in small trays so please bring a bag or box. Free parking in Swarland Avenue.

Cash donations in aid of Newcastle Food Banks are very welcome.

ST. MARY'S DVD SALE

There are lots of films including many suitable for families and children available in the church hall. Please take a look - a small donation can be left in the basket in aid of the Help for Ukraine Appeal.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY CHOIR

Families interested, please email trishatindall@yahoo.co.uk

PARISH REFUGE PROJECT

Your support is much appreciated - tinned food & toiletries always needed.

COLLECTIONS: W/C 15th May

ST. AIDAN'S - Loose plate: £378.00 / Envelopes: £67.00 / Hall Hire: £40.00

Sick & Retired Priests: £150.00

ST. MARY'S - Loose Plate: £133.46 / Envelopes: £173.50

Sick & Retired Priests £51.80 / Friday Coffee Morning: £50 (Ukraine)

Thank you all for your continued support and generosity.

DIOCESE VACANCIES

Property Surveyor – full-time, 2 year fixed term contract.

Flexible working available. Closing date for applications: 1 June 2022

IT Project Manager – full-time, 12 month fixed term contract.

Closing date for applications: 2 June 2022

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We ask that you continue to wear a face mask while in our Churches.

MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK BEGINNING: 22nd May 2022

Sat. 21st (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	Holy Souls
Sun. 22nd (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Edith Latimer
Sun. 22nd (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Una Byrne
Mon. 23rd	***	NO MASS
Tues. 24th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Frank Murphy
Wed. 25th (St. Aidan's)	10.00am	Holy Souls
Thurs. 26th Ascension Day		
St Mary's	10.00am	Priest's Intention
St. Aidan's	7.00pm	Zachariah Peter
Fri. 27th (St. Mary's)	10.00am	Eucharistic Service
Sat. 28th (St. Mary's)	5.30pm	People of the Parish
Sun. 29th (St. Aidan's)	9.15am	Joyce Devlin
Sun. 29th (St. Mary's)	11.00am	Hugh Kelly

PREPARATION FOR THE SEVENTH SUNDAY OF EASTER (29TH MAY)

"We need to make ready and 'have our robes washed clean'."

Second Reading: The Final Coming of Christ. Revelation 22.12-14, 16-17, 20

WE ASK YOU PRAY FOR:

Those who are sick & all those whose anniversary occurs about this time:
Violet Rikeard, Mary Love, Josephine Perry, David Cochet, Elizabeth Graydon, Mary Maddox, Rita Welsh, Francis Phillips, Joan Thompson, Frank Innes, Robert Harrison, James Foley, Thomas McArdle, Bernard Swift, Frank Murphy, Michael Bell, Peter Gilooly, Thomas Regan, Elsie Blewitt, Sarah Young, Albert Phelan, William Campbell, Katherine Murphy, Joseph Bradford, Nicholas Bradley, Peter Richard, Paul Stowar, William Blewitt, Maurice Lamb, Raymond Healy, Gordon King, James Atkinson, Elizabeth Whitfield,

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