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SUNDAY 10 FEBRUARY 2019

Fifth Sunday of the Year - Year C

In the Gospel today we have the story of the miraculous catch of fish and the call of the first disciples. However, the emphasis is on the latter; the miracle is merely the setting in which the call happens. The spotlight is on Peter; his companions remain in the background but are ready to help. Luke has the deepest respect for Peter, describing his founding role in the primitive church in Acts.

Peter's words 'we fished all night and caught nothing' underline the miraculous nature of the catch. Since they had failed to catch anything during the night (the proper time for fishing), what chance did they have during the day?

Peter, profoundly moved by the miracle, sank to his knees and spontaneously declared his unworthiness to be associated with Jesus. But Jesus said to him 'Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching people.'



At the word of Jesus, Peter and his companions left everything and followed him. The phrase 'they left everything' shows the importance for Luke of detachment from possessions.

The symbolism of the miraculous catch now becomes clear. Henceforth Peter will be a fisher of people. The large catch shows how successful he and the others can be with Jesus' help.

Confession:

St Andrew's: Sat 9am & 4.30pm

St Peter's: Sat 10am

St Philip's: Sat 9am

St Theresa's: Sun after 11.30am

Adoration:

St Andrew's: Tue 10am to 11am
Thu 7pm to 8pm

Sat 4.30pm to 5pm

St Peter's: Sat 10am to 10.30am

St Philip's: Sat 9am to 9.15am

Morning Prayer:

St Philip's: Tue, Thu & Sat
9.15am

Parish office opening hours:

Mon, Tue, Wed & Thu

9.30am to 12.30pm

Welcome
to our Church

Shared News ...

Youth Club: On Sunday evenings in the Lanthorn from 6.00pm - 8.00pm. There will be an outing to Deer Park on Sunday 10 March to 'bowl & dine'. Cost is £10 and limited spaces are available. Children should be dropped off at the venue at 12.45pm and collected at 3.00pm and need to be signed in and out. Letters will go out tonight at the Youth Club.

Social Committee: Will meet on Monday 11 February at 7.00pm in the Lanthorn (room GP13).

Anna Maria Diamond First Anniversary Mass: The One World family invite everyone to attend Mass in St Theresa's on Wednesday 13th at 6.00pm. Refreshments will be available after Mass.

Family Quiz Night: Fun night for all the family on Friday 15 February at 7.00pm in St Margaret's Academy in aid of the school's trip to Malawi this summer. Tickets on sale today and available from Jo Taylor (St Peter's); Patricia McKenna (Vigil Mass, St Andrew's) or Brian Role (11.30am Mass St Andrew's); Chaanah Lynas (St Philip's) & Moira Easton (St Theresa's). Maximum number in each team is six.

Baptism Preparation Course: The next course will be on Friday 22 February at 7.00pm in St Peter's. Please contact the parish office to register.

PPC: Next meeting will be on Wednesday 27 February at 7.00pm in St Margaret's.

TAPP Theatre Group: Will next meet on Friday 1 March at 7.00pm in St Peter's. Anyone else interested in being part of something for Easter time is welcome to come to the meeting.

House Masses during Lent: If anyone is willing to host a House Mass during Lent, can you please contact the parish office.

Next Sunday's Readings (17.02.19): Isaiah 6:1-8; Psalm 137; 1 Corinthians 1:1-11; Luke 5:1-11.

Recently Deceased: Paul McNelis, Dennis Kearnan, John McGrath, Akaina Pron **Anniversaries (February):** John McQuade, Frank & Bridget Brennan, John Loney, Olive Menzies, Thomas Feechan, John Wardlaw

Statement to the parishes on safeguarding:

The Bishops of Scotland have made the following commitment to safeguarding:

All components of the Catholic Church in Scotland, especially those in positions of leadership and responsibility, value the lives, wholeness, safety and wellbeing of each individual person within God's purpose for everyone.

We seek to uphold the highest safeguarding standards in our relationships with people of all ages who are involved in whatever capacity with the Church and its organisations.

And therefore, as a Church community, we accept that it is the responsibility of all of us - ordained, professed, employed and voluntary members - to work together to protect children, young people and vulnerable adults from abuse or harm.

ST PETER'S ...

Knit & Natter Group: Meet every Wednesday at 12.30pm and everyone is welcome.

Sacrament of Anointing: Monday 11 February is World Day of Prayer for the Sick so the sacrament of anointing will be celebrated during Masses next Sunday, the 17th.

Second Collection: On the last Sunday of February, 24th, there will be a special collection to support the young people travelling to Malawi in June. Please give as generously as you can to this.

Appeal for Palm Crosses: As Lent will soon be upon us, please start to return your palm crosses from last year so we can make ashes.

200 Club: Subscriptions are now due. For £12 per year you can join in the excitement of a monthly draw of cash prizes while helping the parish (residue funds go to the building fund). Please use the envelopes provided in the foyer. Any questions, speak to Tricia Hart on 07818465028 or email triciahart@gmail.com.

Last Sunday's Collection: £1,022.88; **Church Stall:** £67.90; **Sunday Tea Charity (St Margaret's Malawi Trip):** £135.95

ST THERESA'S...

Bonus Ball: We are looking for new members. Speak to Teresa Canning if interested.

Last Sunday's Collection:

€690.11; **Building Fund:**

€203.01; **Bonus Ball Winner:**

St Theresa's

ST PHILIP'S ...

Last Sunday's Collection: TBC;

200 Club: TBC; **Sanctuary**

Candle: TBC

ST ANDREW'S ...

Baptism: Please pray for Cassidy & Deacon Reape who will be baptised today.

Paul McNelis RIP: The funeral of Paul McNelis will take place on Wednesday 13 February at 9.30am followed by burial at Adambrae at 11.00am.

Fairtrade: Stall next weekend, 16 & 17 February, after Mass.

Last Sunday's Collection:

€779.85; **Building Fund:**

€198.64; **200 Club:** TBC;

Sanctuary Candle: Jean Jess

Gerard O'Connell America Magazine (abridged) Pope Francis in UAE

It was the largest Christian act of worship ever celebrated on the Arabian Peninsula, in the heartland of the Muslim world, and the festive occasion gave powerful expression to the joy of the Gospel. Almost everyone had a small yellow and white Vatican flag, which they waved energetically.

There were scenes of joy and excitement as Pope Francis was driven in a jeep around the stadium before Mass to greet these Catholics, migrant workers from India, the Philippines, Uganda and many other countries of Asia and Africa, as well as expatriates from Western countries. They cheered, sang, chanted and applauded enthusiastically as they waited for the pope to arrive.

Francis also appears to be greatly admired in the Muslim world and especially here in the United Arab Emirates. The country's minister for tolerance and other authorities of the U.A.E. attended the celebration together with 4,000 Muslims.

The presence of the minister and so many Muslims at the Mass sent a powerful message of tolerance to the inhabitants of this peninsula and to Muslims and Christians across the world. It was also a strong repudiation of some who seek to ignite the clash of civilizations and foment hostility between Christians and Muslims for political ends.

All this followed on the breaking news last evening that the crown prince has given the gift of land for the building of a church and a mosque side by side in memory of these historic days, and

Pope Francis and the grand imam of Al-Azhar blessed in their respective ways the foundation stones of the church and the mosque, something that would have been unthinkable hitherto.

In his homily from the light and modern podium at which he celebrated the Mass, under the blazing sun, Pope Francis, himself the son of Italian migrants in Argentina, expressed his love for his "migrant flock." The Catholic Church believes there are some one million Catholics in the U.A.E. Most are Filipino and Indian, many of whom have left behind families for work and can face precarious labor conditions, which human rights groups regularly denounce.

The pope praised them for their faithfulness to Jesus in the face of these difficult circumstances, and told them, "I have come to say thank you for the way in which you live the Gospel we heard." He added, "People say that the difference between the written Gospel and the lived Gospel is the same difference between written music and performed music.

"You who are here know the Gospel's tune and you follow its rhythm with enthusiasm," he said. "You are a choir composed of numerous nations, languages and rites; a diversity that the Holy Spirit loves and wants to harmonize ever more, in order to make a symphony." Indeed, he said, "this joyful polyphony of faith is a witness that you give everyone and that builds up the church."

He celebrated the Mass "for peace and justice" in English and Latin. The Scripture readings were done in Arabic and English, and prayers were

said in Korean, Konkano (India), Tagalog, Urdu, Malayalam and French. Pope Francis delivered his homily in Italian, and it was translated into English and Arabic.

The pope told the members of this migrant but dynamic church, in which lay people play a major role, that "if you are with Jesus, if you love to listen to his word as the disciples of that time did, if you try to live out this word every day, then you are blessed."

Recognizing the reality of the lives of these migrant believers, Francis said: "It is most certainly not easy for you to live far from home, missing the affection of your loved ones and perhaps also feeling uncertainty about the future. But the Lord is faithful and does not abandon his people.

"It can happen that, when faced with fresh sorrow or a difficult period, we think we are alone, even after all the time we have spent with the Lord," the pope said. "But in those moments, where he might not intervene immediately, he walks at our side. And if we continue to go forward, he will open up a new way for us; for the Lord specializes in doing new things; he can even open paths in the desert."

Fr Kenneth



WIADOMOŚCI POLSKIEJ WSPÓLNOTY W LIVINSTON



Drodzy - od proroka Izajasza wiemy, że usłyszał on *głos Pana mówiącego: "Kogo mam posłać? Kto by Nam poszedł?" Odpowiedział: "Oto ja, poślij mnie!"* Kościołowi potrzebni są odważni świadkowie ewangelii i misjonarze. Być może słyszeliście, że w Panamie wiele tysięcy dziewcząt i chłopców zgłosiło się do służby Bożej? Uwierzyli oni zaproszeniu Jezusa: *Pójdźcie za Mną, a uczynię was rybakami ludzi.* Do współpracy z duchownymi Pan Bóg zaprasza świeckich - dzisiaj chcę podziękować tym, którzy w jakikolwiek sposób wspierają naszą polską wspólnotę w Livingston! Bóg wielki zapłać!

W ten weekend po raz kolejny kupimy bułki, by wesprzeć potrzebujących ze wspólnoty Kościoła w Malawi. Dziękuję organizatorom, sponsorom bułek, a nade wszystko Wam - kupującym! Smacznego!

W piątek 15 lutego od 19.00 w St. Margharet's Academy odbędzie się FAMILY QUIZ NIGH - rodzinne spotkanie i zabawa, z której dochód będzie przeznaczony na misyjny wyjazd uczniów do Malawi. **Bilety w cenie 5gbp dla dorosłych (Dzieci GRATIS!)** - do nabycia po polskich i szkockich mszach. Zachęcam do udziału w wieczorze całe rodziny - dobra zabawa gwarantowana! Ks. Piotr

DATE	ST ANDREW'S	ST PETER'S	ST PHILIP'S	ST THERESA'S	FEAST DAY
Sun 10 Feb	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass KO <i>Donor's Intention</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30pm Mass SH <i>Donor's Intention</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Janice Morrow Wilson RIP</i>	11.30am Mass JS <i>People of the Parish</i>	5th Sunday of the year - Year C
Mon 11 Feb	No Service	No Service	No Service	9.00am Mass JS <i>Donor's Intention</i>	Monday 5th week of the year
Tue 12 Feb	9.30am Mass JS <i>David Fallon</i>	6.00pm Mass SH <i>For a new job</i>	No Service	No Service	Tuesday 5th week of the year
Wed 13 Feb	9.30am Funeral of Paul McNelis RIP JS	9.30am Mass SH	No Service	6.00pm Mass SH <i>Anna Maria Diamond RIP</i>	Wednesday 5th week of the year
Thu 14 Feb	9.30am Mass JS <i>Bolou Seri RIP</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Oscar Domingo RIP</i>	No Service	No Service	Feast of St Cyril & St Methodius
Fri 15 Feb	No Service	9.30am Mass SH <i>Mary McGarvie RIP</i>	No Service	No Service	Friday 5th week of the year
Sat 16 Feb	9.30am Mass JS 5.30pm Vigil JS <i>Brian Clarke RIP</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>Donor's Intention</i> 6.30pm Polish PK	No Service	No Service	Saturday 5th week of the year
Sun 17 Feb	9.30am Polish PK 11.30am Mass JS <i>People of the Parish</i>	9.30am Mass SH <i>People of the Parish</i> 5.30pm Mass SH <i>Donor's Intention</i>	9.30am Mass JS <i>Brian Mooney</i>	11.30am Mass PK <i>Donor's Intention</i>	6th Sunday of the year - Year C