### **Gospel Reflection**

'Do you love me?' Peter is asked this question; I am asked this question too. Do I see the goodness in me that Jesus sees?

As Peter stands before Jesus it is reasonable to presume that he is all too aware of his failure to stand by and with his beloved master during the Passion. And Jesus focuses on his capacity to love, not on his failure. He does not admonish him for his betrayals. Because he loves, Peter is reinstated, and given a great responsibility to care for the early Christian community.

Is this an issue for me, focusing on my failures and unwilling or unable to accept that the Lord loves me as I am?

**Joke:** Who was the first tennis player in the bible? Joseph - he served in Pharaoh's court!

<u>Prisoner Outreach:</u> So far Parishioners have raised £109 for The Prisoner Outreach Organisation, so thank you to everyone who has donated money.

The Prisoner Outreach Organisation is a Christian network of volunteers who have been voluntarily working in HM Prisons and supplies copies of the BIBLE ALIVE booklets to prisoners.

Please continue to donate your loose change into the bottle on the bookshelves in the porch and help to support this organisation.

### **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

If you wish to make preparations for your child to be Baptised you should telephone Fr Simon to arrange to see him after an 11am Mass on Sunday morning.

Following this there are Meetings on the first Friday of each month at 7:30pm.that you will need to attend, where you will meet Mrs Gerri Doherty and Deacon Tony Ford.

# **NEWSLETTER**

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"United in conviction and united in love, with a common purpose and a common mind" Philippians 2:2

# 5th MAY 2019 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER (CYCLE C) MASS & SERVICE TIMES

4:45pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
5:15pm	People of the Parish
9:30am	Mary & William Clearie RIP
11:00am	Elizabeth RIP
<u>10:30am</u>	Winefride Cannon Anniversary RIP
9:30am	Private Intention
11:15am	Funeral service – John Bingham RIP
Noon	Holy Souls
7:30pm	Parish Council meeting
9:30am	Persecuted Christians
	No service
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9:30am	People of the Parish
11:00am	Mathew Thuruthikkara RIP
9:30am	Sick of the Parish
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<u>Mass intentions:</u> We would welcome Mass Intentions for weekday Masses.

If Fr Simon is unobtainable and you urgently need a Priest please phone the parish mobile: **07548 222133** Please use this number for emergencies only i.e. where a priest is needed urgently.

#### 200 CLUB DRAW

Winner: £40 Prize
This week – Mrs Anne Bradbury

# WHY NOT JOIN THE 200 CLUB AND HELP THE PARISH?

### FLOWERS FOR THE CHURCH

If you would like to make a donation for the flowers please add your name to the list in the porch and place your donation into the wall box.

<u>Parish Council Meeting</u>: There is a Parish Council meeting on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May at 7:30pm. If anyone has any questions, comments or concerns please tell Fr Simon or Phil Martin.

**Sponsorship request:** Tony Montgomery is running the Manchester Half Marathon with his daughter Lucy to raise money for St Luke's Hospice. There is a sponsorship form in the porch if anyone would like to donate.

<u>First Eucharists:</u> On Sunday 12th May and Sunday 19th May our school children will be receiving their First Eucharist. The 11:00am Masses are the most popular and on Sunday 19th it is likely that there will only be standing room available once the children and their families are seated.

<u>Coffee morning</u>: The next Coffee Morning is on Tuesday May 14<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am. There will be tea and coffee, cakes and biscuits, Bingo and a Bring and Buy Sale. Everyone is welcome.

### PARISH CENTRE BOOKING ENQUIRIES

If you are interested in hiring the Parish Centre for a function, please contact Phil Martin on 07720 807162

# Prayer for our Parish:

Father, pour out your Spirit upon the people of this parish and grant us a new vision of your glory, a new experience of your power, a new faithfulness to your word and a new consecration to your service, that your love may grow among us and your kingdom come, through Christ our Lord.

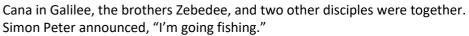
St Joseph pray for us

"Preach the Gospel always, if necessary use words"

St Francis of Assisi

## Gospel Reading John 21 1-19

After this, Jesus appeared again to the disciples, this time at the Tiberias Sea (the Sea of Galilee). This is how he did it: Simon Peter, Thomas (nicknamed "Twin"), Nathanael from



The rest of them replied, "We're going with you." They went out and got in the boat. They caught nothing that night. When the sun came up, Jesus was standing on the beach, but they didn't recognize him.

Jesus spoke to them: "Good morning! Did you catch anything for breakfast?". They answered, "No."

He said, "Throw the net off the right side of the boat and see what happens."

They did what he said. All of a sudden there were so many fish in it, they weren't strong enough to pull it in. Then the disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, "It's the Master!"

When Simon Peter realized that it was the Master, he threw on some clothes, for he was stripped for work, and dove into the sea. The other disciples came in by boat for they weren't far from land, a hundred yards or so, pulling along the net full of fish. When they got out of the boat, they saw a fire laid, with fish and bread cooking on it.

Jesus said, "Bring some of the fish you've just caught." Simon Peter joined them and pulled the net to shore - 153 big fish! And even with all those fish, the net didn't rip.

Jesus said, "Breakfast is ready." Not one of the disciples dared ask, "Who are you?" They knew it was the Master.

Jesus then took the bread and gave it to them. He did the same with the fish. This was now the third time Jesus had shown himself alive to the disciples since being raised from the dead.

After breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" "Yes, Master, you know I love you."

Jesus said, "Feed my lambs." He then asked a second time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?"

Simon answered "Yes, Master, you know I love you."

And then he commanded, "Follow me."

