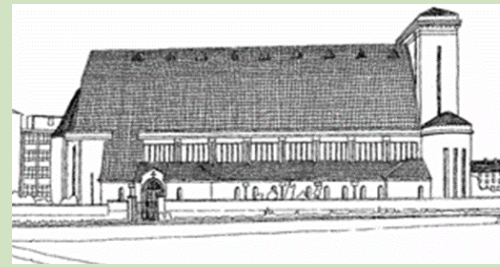


PRAYER FOR ST COLUMBA'S PARISH

Almighty Father, we wish to commit our parish of St Columba of Iona into Your merciful hands. We want to be a vibrant and flourishing parish formed after your heart, a family of missionary disciples of Jesus where love and service spread out from us to everybody. Touch the hearts of all of us and everybody within our parish to experience once again the power of the risen Christ so that our hearts can be filled with your love, joy, courage, strength and unity. We commit to you, in a special way, the sick, the housebound, the struggling, even the weary. May Mary our mother be always close to us her children in all our hour of need. We make all these prayers through the merits of Jesus Christ your son. Amen.

AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were already there
and unite myself wholly to You.
Never permit me to be separated from You. AMEN



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FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A

READINGS

1st reading—Acts 6:1-7 ; Psalm 32; 2nd Reading— 1 Peter 2:4-9

GOSPEL—John 14:1-12

Jesus said to his disciples:

‘Do not let your hearts be troubled.

Trust in God still, and trust in me.

There are many rooms in my Father's house;
if there were not, I should have told you.

I am going now to prepare a place for you,
and after I have gone and prepared you a place,
I shall return to take you with me;

so that where I am
you may be too.

You know the way to the place where I am going.’

Thomas said, ‘Lord, we do not know where you are going, so how
can we know the way?’ Jesus said:

‘I am the Way, the Truth and the Life.

No one can come to the Father except through me.

If you know me, you know my Father too.

From this moment you know him and have seen him.’

Philip said, ‘Lord, let us see the Father and then we shall be

satisfied.’ ‘Have I been with you all this time, Philip,’ said Jesus to
him ‘and you still do not know me?’

‘To have seen me is to have seen the Father,

so how can you say, “Let us see the Father”?
Do you not believe
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me?
The words I say to you I do not speak as from myself:
it is the Father, living in me, who is doing this work.
You must believe me when I say
that I am in the Father and the Father is in me;
believe it on the evidence of this work, if for no other reason.
I tell you most solemnly,
whoever believes in me
will perform the same works as I do myself,
he will perform even greater works,
because I am going to the Father.’

THE GOSPEL OF THE LORD. THANKS BE TO GOD

HAVE I BEEN WITH YOU AT THIS WHILE AND YOU STILL DO NOT KNOW ME?
How well do we know Jesus? Honestly, stop for a moment and ask yourself that simple question. HOW WELL DO I KNOW HIM? It is very easy to say , ‘I know Him because I read the bible’. Unfortunately, that is called KNOWING OF HIM. Another person might say, ‘I know Him because I say the creed’. EVEN THE DEVIL BELIEVES THAT GOD EXISTS AND TREMBLES - James 2:19. Somebody else could say, ‘I know him because I teach in His name’; ‘I know Him because I work miracles, Signs and wonders in His name’. Do you remember what Jesus says in the bible to those who say ‘...we even worked miracles in your name...’? He says “DEPART FROM ME ALL YOU EVIL PEOPLE” - Matthew 7:22-24.

The answer is right there in today’s readings, especially the second Reading: ‘Set yourselves close to Him so that you too...may be living stones making a spiritual house.’ To break it down –OUR ACTIONS OF SERVICE AND LOVE FOR OTHERS IS THE SUREST WAY OF KNOWING WHETHER WE KNOW JESUS: ‘ ...and the virtuous will say to Him ‘Lord when did we see you hungry...’ and He will reply, “WHATEVER YOU DO TO THE LEAST OF MY BROTHERS/SISTERS, YOU DO IT TO ME”’.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, Year A 3/5/20

DAILY MASSES

OUR PARISH MASSES ARE CELEBRATED EVERY DAY AT 5PM VIA ZOOM. THE ADVANTAGE OF ZOOM IS THAT PARISHIONERS CAN PARTICIPATE, ALTHOUGH AT COMMUNION TIME WE ALL MAKE AN ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION.

MASSES ARE CELEBRATED FOR ALL THE PARISHIONERS. YOU ARE ALSO WELCOME TO CONTACT THE PARISH HOUSE IF YOU HAVE PARTICULAR INTENTIONS. THE ZOOM LINK IS BELOW.

HOW TO JOIN OUR SERVICES

STEP 1. DOWNLOAD ZOOM APP



STEP 2. CLICK ‘JOIN’ USING:
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523-686-9263
Password: 538289

STEP 3. YOU ARE CONNECTED

PLEASE FEEL FREE TO CALL THE PARISH AT ANY TIME IF YOU FEEL YOU NEED SOME SPIRITUAL SUPPORT.

OFFERINGS

WE STILL HAVE A PARISH TO MAINTAIN AND BILLS TO PAY. THEY REFUSE TO STAY AT HOME. PLEASE CONSIDER YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH DURING THESE DIFFICULT TIMES.

IF YOU WOULD PREFER TO PAY BY CHEQUE, PLEASE MAKE CHEQUE PAYABLE TO ST COLUMBA’S PARISH. IF YOU PREFER TO DONATE THROUGH INTERNET BANKING, PLEASE CALL 07549260379 FOR THE DETAILS. IF YOU WOULD PREFER TO PAY THROUGH OUR FACEBOOK PAGE OR WEBSITE (SEE PAGE ONE FOR LINKS), WE HAVE THE LINKS THERE TOO. THANKS AND MAY GOD BLESS YOU.