



The Fireside

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Fourth Sunday of Easter (B)

Friday 23rd April (First Mass of Sunday)

Mass 6.00pm –

Saturday 24th April

Vigil Mass 4.00pm -

Pro Populo

Sunday 25th April (Vocations Sunday)

Mass 11.30am – Deceased Members of the Thadathil Family.

Fifth Sunday of Easter (B)

Friday 30th April (First Mass of Sunday)

Mass 6.00pm –

Saturday 1st May

Vigil Mass 4.00pm -

Pro Populo

Sunday 2nd May

Mass 11.30am –

Prayer for Vocations to Priesthood and Religious Life

O Lord Jesus, Son of the Eternal Father and Son of Mary Immaculate, give to our young men and women the generosity and courage to follow your call.

Give them hearts to love you more than the attractions of the world in which they live.

Help them to overcome all obstacles to their vocation.

Give the parents of our parish the gifts of love, faith and the spirit of sacrifice which will inspire them to offer their sons and daughters to God's service and cause them to experience joy whenever one of their children is called to the priesthood or religious life.

Let your love and the example of your Blessed Mother and of St. Joseph encourage those who have chosen to respond to your call, for the love of souls and for your sake. Amen.

Offertory Collection - £332.50p.

This includes Standing Orders.

Thank you for your continued support of your parish.

REFLECTION – WORKING WITH LOVE

All work is empty save when done with love.

And what is it to work with love?

It is to weave the cloth with threads drawn from your heart, even as if your beloved were to wear that cloth.

It is to build a house with affection, even as if your beloved were to dwell in that house.

If you cannot work with love but only with distaste,

it is better that you leave your work,

and sit at the gate of the temple

and take alms from those who work with joy.

For if you bake bread with indifference, you bake a bitter bread that feeds but half of man's hunger.

And if you grudge the crushing of the grapes,

your grudge distils a poison in the wine.

Work is love made visible.

(Kahlil Gibran)

The vocation to Religious Life, is a call from God to men and women to enter into a relationship with Him, through living their vocation in a community which is dedicated to following a particular rule of life.

The charism of each community or congregation is specific to that particular order, and although many may share similar objectives, their particular way of living out the call of Christ to

“Come, follow me” will be slightly different in its nature.

We are blessed here in Menevia, to have a number of different Religious Congregations who serve the Church in both the active and contemplative apostolate.

Many Parishes in our Diocese were established by Religious Orders, such as the Benedictines, the Passionists, and the Carmelites.

Our Diocese even gets its name from the Diocese originally established by St. David in the sixth Century.

Bishops of this Diocese have included Benedictines, a Franciscan and our previous Bishop is a member of the Marist Congregation.

Just as with a vocation to the Priesthood, the call to Religious Life is one that is rooted in prayerful discernment, and demands listening to the voice of God, and responding to His will, with generosity and love.

For further information or advice on making contact with Religious orders, you are welcome to contact the Vocations Director

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