

New Translation of the Mass – Part 4

The Confiteor – Part 2

THE first part of the *Confiteor* ends with our admission of guilt, accompanied by a heart-rending (literally what it is meant to be!) gesture of beating our breasts (striking the middle of our chests with a closed fist of the right hand). Just as Peter had denied Our Lord three times, so we admit our guilt three times. Beating the breast is the gesture of the publican who stood at the back of the Temple, not daring to raise his eyes to heaven, while saying ‘O God, be merciful to me a sinner’ (Luke 18.13). He went home justified, but the self-righteous Pharisee did not. Beating the breast is a deliberate gesture, not a muted brushing of our clothes with fingertips or a slapdash movement.

Therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin,
all the angels and saints,
and you, my brothers and sisters,
to pray for me to the Lord our God.

John 19.26f; James 5.16
Heb 12.1,22-24; Rev 5.8; 8.3-4
1 Thes 5.25; 1 John 5.16
1 Sam 12.23; Bar 1.13

We ask the prayers of Our Lady, the angels and saints, and of all our brothers and sisters worshipping alongside us. The Mass is never simply about the community that has gathered on a Sunday. Our earthly worship joins the eternal heavenly liturgy in its praise of God. The whole Church (in heaven and on earth) joined as the body to its head, Jesus, shares in Jesus’ eternal offering of himself to the Father, in the Spirit.

The Bible reminds us that we are ‘surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses’ (Heb 12.1), and that we ‘are come to mount Sion, and to the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem, and to the company of many thousands of angels, and to the church of the firstborn, who are written in the heavens, and to God the judge of all, and to the spirits of the just made perfect, and to Jesus the mediator of the new testament’ (Heb 12.22-24). It is in company with all these that we join in worship of God at Mass.

We ask also the prayers of all those around us. Look around at those in church with you. These are the brothers and sisters we ask to pray for us. We rely on their mercy too as we confess our sins. We sinners ask the prayers of sinners. Being Catholic means we are in communion with all Catholics, not simply the ones we like or agree with. And that we pray for them.

The Newsletter of
HOLY CROSS PRIORY CHURCH, LEICESTER

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Sunday Masses	This week	Mass Intentions	Next week
6:00pm Vigil	Fr Isidore	<i>Pro populo</i>	Fr Isidore
8:00am	Fr Isidore	McShane family, RIP	Fr Isidore
9:30am Family	Fr Fabian	Virginia & Greg Polkey (family welfare)	Fr Fabian
11:00am Solemn	Fr Leon	Anne Potterton (welfare)	Fr Fabian
12:30pm Old rite	Fr Thomas	Sebastian & Robert Lina family	Fr Thomas
5:00pm Students	Fr Peter	Mass for students in the Lady Chapel	Fr Thomas
7:00pm	Fr Duncan	Michael Collopy, RIP	Fr Duncan

OTHER SUNDAY SERVICES	6:00pm Rosary	8 May	Confessions	15 May
9:00am Lauds	6:20pm Compline	Fr Isidore	10:30 - 11:30am	Fr Leon
5:45pm Vespers	6:40pm Benediction	Fr Leon	5:00 - 6:00pm	Fr Fabian

We will have exposition and adoration each Friday in May, from 10:30am till 12:30pm. And at every Mass on Fridays we will pray together the ‘Act of Reparation to the Sacred Heart’ (please take a sheet).

Absolute Beginners’ Cha-Cha – 7pm **NEXT SATURDAY** 15 May. A wonderful social event at which you can learn the basics of the Cha-Cha. A pasta supper is provided. However, tickets (£8 and £5) must be bought in advance. Call Jeff – 0116 243 1289 – to reserve yours. See posters for more details.

Dominican pilgrimage to Walsingham on Sunday 16th May. The cost includes a return coach that sets off from Wellington street at 8am and leaves Walsingham at 5:30pm. Please bring a packed lunch. To reserve a place, please give £20 promptly to Fr Isidore (0116 255 3856).

Entrance	Speak out with a voice of joy; let it be heard to the ends of the earth:
Antiphon:	The Lord has set his people free, alleluia.
1st Reading:	Acts 15: 1-2.22-29
Psalm Response:	Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you! (Ps 67)
2nd Reading:	Apocalypse 21: 10-14.22-23
Alleluia:	<u>At 11:00</u> – The Holy Spirit will teach you everything I have said to you. <u>Otherwise</u> – If a man loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord; and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.
Gospel:	John 14: 23-29
Communion	<u>At 11:00</u> – The Holy Spirit will teach you, alleluia, everything I have said to you, alleluia, alleluia.
Antiphon:	<u>Otherwise</u> – If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord. The Father will send you the Holy Spirit, to be with you for ever, alleluia.

MONEY MATTERS: Last Weekend's collections – Offertory Collection £975.99; SVP £12.41; Friends of Holy Cross £13.03; Holy Souls £11.59; Grenada Church Restoration £27.53. The McNabb Appeal for parish funds still stands at £7745.01.

This week there is a retiring collection for those unable to get to Blackfriars Market, and the proceeds will go to the McNabb Appeal.

200 Club. Last month's winners were: 140, P Davis £150; 176, T Collins £100; and 180, P O'Leary £50. Congratulations!

Very many thanks for your continuing generosity.

May Procession. You are cordially invited to join this year's procession in honour of Our Lady from St Aidan's Church, New Parks, to Mother of God Church. Sunday 23 May at 3pm. See noticeboard.

Head Teacher required at St Joseph's Primary, Market Harborough. Details from the school: tel 01858 465359, Email: office@stjosephs.leics.sch.uk and see noticeboard for further details. Closing date is 19 May.

Christians in Leicestershire Inter Faith Network will have a talk about Asylum Seekers and Refugees. Rachel Carmichael will talk about why people flee to our country and what we can do to help. St Philip's Centre, Evington Road on Tuesday 11 May at 7:30pm. See noticeboard.

VACANCY for Operations Manager at St Martin's House, next to the Cathedral. See noticeboard, ring 248 7431 or email Danni.blair@leccofe.org. Closing date is 24 May.

Would you like to set up an Inter Cultural Art Workshop for children between 6 and 11? If so, email barbarabutler@christiansaware.co.uk or see Fr Duncan.

The 1st National Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on Saturday 5 June. A coach will go from Leicester. See noticeboard.

Braid Women's Group meets on Wednesdays from 11am to 1pm at Sure Start, Vancouver Road, St Matthew's. It is an informal session where newly-arrived women, including refugees and asylum seekers, meet to share and learn art and crafts skills and receive social support. See noticeboard, ring 270 2706, or contact love@soft-touch.org.uk.

There will be an International Football Tournament as part of Refugee Week at St Margaret's Pasture's Sport Centre, on Saturday 5 June from 9am to 5pm. It's an event to be enjoyed by the whole family. See noticeboard.

Pilgrimage to Lourdes and Lisieux by coach. 17-23 July 2010. Full Board £480. Coach leaves from St Mary's, Leicester. There are 20 places still left on the coach but we need to fill them quickly. Last year we had an amazing time and came home refreshed and renewed. For more information contact Amanda Johnson, tel 0116 275 1662.

An organ recital of Tuneful Music by popular British composers will be given by David Cowen here at Holy Cross on Monday 22 June at 8pm. Includes Elgar's Organ Sonata and Walton's Coronation Marches. Tickets £7 (unwaged £5). Refreshments afterwards and proceeds to church funds.



Today's Gospel: "If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him."

Year II	The week ahead...	Psalter Week 2
Monday:	St Antoninus of Florence, friar, bishop	
Tuesday:	Easter feria	
Wednesday:	Easter feria	
Thursday:	Easter feria. <i>There will be an extra Mass, sung and in the older form, for the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord, at 7:30pm.</i>	
Friday:	ST MATTHIAS, APOSTLE	
Saturday:	THE DEDICATION OF OUR PRIORY CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS, solemnity	
WEEKDAY MASS IN LATIN. Holy Mass will be offered in the older form from Monday to Friday at 8:30am, and on Saturday at 8:15am.		
Next Sunday – The Ascension of the Lord <i>World Communications Day. Prayers are recommended for truth and integrity in the media, its right use, and for those in need overlooked by the media.</i> Readings:		
Acts 1: 1-11	Ephesians 1: 17-23	Luke 24: 46-53

Red Cross Appeal for Refugees & Asylum Seekers. The full list of items needed to support these destitute and vulnerable people is:

- ◆ Dried items: rice, pasta, cous-cous, maize mealie-meal, sugar, salt, porridge, cooking oil, flour (self-raising), spices, palenta, mashed potato (Smash), tea, coffee, powdered milk, water, fruit juice, semolina;
- ◆ Tins: fish, meat, pulses, baked beans, soup, fruit, rice pudding, sauces, vegetables;
- ◆ Pre-prepared food: cereal bars, chocolate, biscuits, nuts, crisps, pot noodles;
- ◆ Baby items: nappies (sizes 2-4), baby wipes, food, milk, lotion, talc, clothing, equipment;
- ◆ Toiletries: sanitary towels, shaving equipment, toothpaste, tooth brush, soap, moisturiser, shampoo, conditioner, toilet paper;
- ◆ Others: Tin openers, pans, cutlery, towels and sleeping bags.

Please leave these items at any Mass. Thank you.

Our parish is now using Twitter. To see at a glance what's going on on any particular day, go to http://twitter.com/holycross_leic and sign up for tweets on your mobile phone.

Please join us in the Parish Hall after the 9:30am and 11:00am Sunday Masses for tea, coffee, fruit-juice etc. There is the opportunity for a chat with members of the Dominican Community and with parishioners. We particularly welcome newly-arrived students and other visitors to our Parish.

Forthcoming events for your diary	
Sat 15 May	'Day for the Year of the Priesthood', with the artist and writer Elizabeth Wang, and Fr Richard Duffield, Provost of the Birmingham Oratory.
Sat 15 May	Absolute beginners' Cha-cha, 7pm
Sun 16 May	Dominican Pilgrimage to Walsingham, coach departs 8am
Mon 21 Jun	Organ Recital given by David Cowen. Tuneful Music by popular British composers, 8pm

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES
MONDAYS TO FRIDAYS 8.00 Lauds 10.00 Mass 12.30 Mass 17.45 Vespers Old Rite Masses as announced. Church is open from 8.00 - 18.00
WEDNESDAYS 10.30 Exposition until 12.30 11.45 Divine Mercy Chaplet, Rosary & Benediction
SATURDAYS 9.00 Lauds 10.00 Mass 10.30 Novena to Our Lady 10.30 Confessions until 11.30 12.30 Mass 17.00 Confessions until 18.00 17.45 Vespers 18.00 Vigil Mass for Sunday Old Rite Masses as announced.
HOLIDAYS 18.00 (previous day) Vigil Mass 8.00 Lauds 10.00 Mass 12.30 Mass 17.45 Vespers 19.00 Mass
BANK HOLIDAYS (& MON TO FRI AROUND XTMAS & NEW YEAR) 8.00 Lauds 12.30 Mass, after which the church is closed
SUNDAYS 8.00 Mass 9.00 Lauds 9.30 Mass (Family) 11.00 Mass (Solemn: Latin on 2 nd , 4 th and 5 th Sundays) 12.30 Mass (Old rite in Latin) 17.00 Mass (for Students, term time only) 17.45 Vespers 18.00 Rosary 18.20 Sung Latin Compline 18.40 Benediction 19.00 Mass
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