



# Good Shepherd Catholic Church



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**Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A - 17 May 2020**

## Spiritual Reflection of The Week

### No body now but yours...

St Teresa's prayer is popular in this adaptation-

*Christ has no body now but yours, no hands, no feet on earth but yours.*

*Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world.*

*Yours are the feet with which he walks to do well.*

*Yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world.*

*Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,*

*You are his eyes, you are his body.*

*Christ has no body now but yours,*

*No hands, no feet on earth but yours.*

*Yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on this world.*

*Christ has no body now on earth but yours.*



Jesus speaks in the gospel about being still alive, even after his death. Mostly we find Jesus alive in the love of others. The energy of love that is connected to the energy of God, for God is love. Other times we find God close to us in prayer; but where we can sense him alive mostly is in the ordinary and extraordinary loves of every day, in marriage, family, friendship and care for others.

Many of us do not realise that in this way we have been Christ-bearers. In listening to another, in care of all sorts, in putting ourselves out for the other, in working for justice and for peace the Spirit of God is alive and people are touched by God's love through the co-operation of ordinary men and women..



# The Living Word of This Week

## Entrance Antiphon

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

## 1st Reading - Acts 8:5-8,14-17

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

## Responsorial Psalm

**R. Let all the earth cry out to God with joy .**

- Cry out with joy to God all the earth, O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise. Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds! /R
- 'Before you all the earth shall bow; shall sing to you, sing to your name!' Come and see the works of God, tremendous his deeds among men . /R
- He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the river dryshod. Let our joy then be in him; he rules for ever by his might . /R
- Come and hear, all who fear God. I will tell what he did for my soul: Blessed be God who did not reject my prayer nor withhold his love from me . /R

## 2nd Reading - Peter 3:15-18

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.  
Alleluia!

## Gospel - John 14:15-21

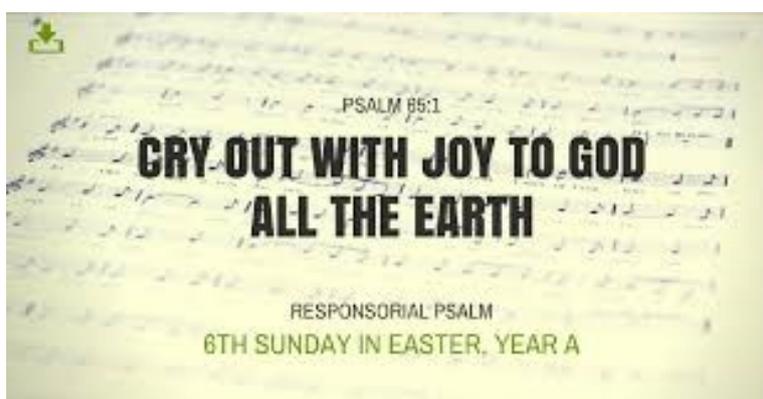
Jesus said to his disciples:  
'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever, that Spirit of truth whom the world can never receive since it neither sees nor knows him; but you know him, because he is with you, he is in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come back to you. In a short time the world will no longer see me; but you will see me, because I live and you will live.

On that day you will understand that I am in my Father and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them will be one who loves me; and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

## Communion Antiphon

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.



### **CHURCH OPEN FROM 7:30AM TO 6:00PM MONDAY TO SATURDAY**

As from Monday, 18 May, the church will be opened for personal prayers and reflection. The Adoration Chapel remains shut as there is a need to continue to have the social distancing as required by law. Please enter the Church by the side door near the Good Shepherd statue. The maximum number of parishioners allowed to be in the church at any one time is **20**. The church will close at 6 pm.

**Father Al**

### **PARISH OFFICE OPENING DAYS**

Please note that the parish office is open on **Tuesdays** and **Thursdays** from 8:30am to 12:30pm.

### **STARTING SMALL FAITH COMMUNITY**

The parish is starting Small Faith Community. Since the government has relaxed the number of people for gathering in homes and public places, but still having the social distancing, we have started small communities in some neighbourhood. Most of you have an idea of the small faith community. After participating the live streaming Mass of the parish, you gather at one of the selected home for your gathering and start with prayer and reflection and reception of the Eucharist. It's a fellowship and also to help you keep in touch with fellow parishioners and the Church community. Please be patient, as it has to be planned carefully and I will let you know when your area begins such a group. God bless.

**Father Al**

### **SINCERE CONDOLENCES**

**Louis Nguyen Quoc Nghia**, father of Simon Lee, brother of Anh Tuan Nguyen and Thi Kinh Nguyen, passed away recently and was cremated on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020. Please remember the family in your prayers as they mourn the loss of a beautiful father, grandfather and brother. May **Louis** rest In peace.



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**Daniel Theodore De Silva** passed away peacefully on the 12<sup>th</sup> May 2020. His funeral will take place at the Pinnaroo Chapel, Whitfords, on the 20 May at 11:30am. Daniel was such a great and joyful father and grandfather. We extend our deepest and sincere condolences to Daniel's children and grandchildren, and to all the members of the De Silva family. May the Lord grant **Daniel** eternal rest and may his grieving family be comforted by the promises of the Risen Christ.



### **PROJECT COMPASSION**

Dear parishioners, please don't hesitate to drop off your project compassion donations, as well as your second collection envelopes, at the presbytery, to either Father Paul or myself. Thank you.

**Fr. Al**

### **LIVESTREAMING OF SUNDAY MASSES**

Dear Parishioners, I hope you are tuning into our weekend Sunday live streaming on YouTube. I remind you that the live stream begins from 9 am. I hope and pray that all the restrictions or at least some of them will be lifted. We pray together that with God's blessings we will find a vaccine for the covid19.

Please take care all of you! Every Mass and prayers Fr. Paul and I offer is for all of you!

1. Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) or alternatively, copy this URL into the address bar: <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCc77SoP6m06iUmS9es61Rdw>
2. Type "good shepherd catholic church lockridge" into the search bar
3. Click "Good Shepherd Lockridge Parish" channel (you will see the logo)
4. Livestreamed video will appear
5. Don't forget to subscribe if you have an account.

The livestreaming is also available on Facebook here: <https://www.facebook.com/gsl.catholic> or simply search @gsl.lockridge to access our page.

Please be aware that no parishioner is allowed to be present in the church when livestreaming is on, or else, we will be breaking the law that will incur a fine of \$50,000.

**Father Al**