

## **May Daily Prayer & Reflections – 25th May 2020.**

*"Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." Luke 1:38*



Mary is the focus for May, she was so unapologetic in Her Yes to God and we remind ourselves of this Yes that she so willingly said and knew that God's plan for her was steadfast and true. We need to remind ourselves, especially throughout May, of the humility she had to say YES so openly and true. No matter what the repercussions she followed God in every sense and this faith is to aspire to.

*Mary said I am the handmaid of the Lord so she is promising to be a vessel of God's will which we pray to be too and to follow Him*

Take time out of your day to attend live streamed mass and pray. We need to take time for inspiration from our Mother during this time. This sheet has the gospel reading of the day and a reflective prayer. This week, Archdiocese of Birmingham are having their annual Lourdes Pilgrimage at Home. We take time for prayer and take time to renew and refresh in our faith. The pilgrimage programme is filled with prayerful moments, mass and liturgies to get involved with.

Prayer for the Day:

*Almighty God,*

*Thank you for day we are about embark on and the peaceful rest we have just had. Grant that we may give service and joy to you Lord and always lift up our works to you.*

*Amen.*

***On the @BC\_Chaplaincy Twitter Page, we upload daily reflections and prayer ideas which we invite you to look at with readings of the day also posted. We post small reflections so we can keep God's word active throughout the day and accessible.***

***We also have our sway page where we post chaplaincy resources for prayer and reflection.***

**The Gospel Reading Today :**

<sup>29</sup> Then Jesus' disciples said, "Now you are speaking clearly and without figures of speech. <sup>30</sup> Now we can see that you know all things and that you do not even need to have anyone ask you questions. This makes us believe that you came from God."

<sup>31</sup> "Do you now believe?" Jesus replied. <sup>32</sup> "A time is coming and in fact has come when you will be scattered, each to your own home. You will leave me all alone. Yet I am not alone, for my Father is with me.

<sup>33</sup>“I have told you these things, so that in me you may have peace. In this world you will have trouble. But take heart! I have overcome the world.”

*Reflection:*

The disciples think that they have understood everything. They got a true light. They got the seed to flourish and grow. This was only the beginning, the seed. Jesus Himself was and continues to be the great parable, the revelation of God for us. God reaches us and reveals Himself to us, but God does not enter into any representations. He exceeds all, goes beyond our expectations.

The Father is with us and guiding us knowing that we need this love and accompaniment,

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

Thankyou for always being with us and by our side. We pray that you reveal your love and journey so we may build our faith and trust in You

Amen

**Diocesan Information**

Masses are live streamed up and down the diocese and are daily. If you want to watch mass, follow this link select a church and the mass times are listed so you can plan Mass Live stream in to your day:

<https://www.mcnmedia.tv/cameras/county/west-midlands>

Praise and Worship Playlist: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F8umfBRlwW8>

Kenelm Youth Trust @ Home Resources: <http://www.kenelmyouthtrust.org.uk/home-resources.html>

Twitter: @bc\_chaplaincy

Pause for Prayer Blog: <https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/blog/category/catholic-life-blog>

One Life Music Weekly Worship: <https://youtu.be/bs36zxLEE8>