

23rd April - Daily Prayer & Reflections

Throughout these unprecedented times is where we can come together as a community in the Church more than ever. We pray for everyone during this time and take time out of our day to be mindful and reflect on scripture to get guidance.

The gospel today reveals that we all have a mission of unapologetic sharing of our faith and that we need to trust in Him.

Prayer for the Day:

Lord,

We ask you to enter our lives today. You guide us on the path you have set out for us. We pray for goodness to outpour from us that we may bring joy and hope to others. We appreciate all you have given us and walking with us on our paths in life faithfully.

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.

Tonight at 8:15pm Alton Castle and Soli Team will be live streaming praise and worship. Instagram: @soli_kyt Facebook: Alton Castle Retreat Centre

Gospel:

The Father loves the Son and has entrusted everything to him

John the Baptist said to his disciples:

'He who comes from above is above all others;

he who is born of the earth is earthly himself

and speaks in an earthly way.

He who comes from heaven

bears witness to the things he has seen and heard,

even if his testimony is not accepted;

though all who do accept his testimony

are attesting the truthfulness of God,

since he whom God has sent

speaks God's own words:

God gives him the Spirit without reserve.

The Father loves the Son

and has entrusted everything to him.

Anyone who believes in the Son has eternal life,

but anyone who refuses to believe in the Son will never see life:

the anger of God stays on him.'

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In today's gospel we hear that Giving and receiving -the deepest relationship of love - shines out in this text. The reciprocal love of Father and Son, a love without limits, is poured out on us through the Holy Spirit. May I give to others what I am constantly receiving.

It tells us that those of unapologetic faith will have eternal life. We pray for strength and trust in you.

Prayer:

Heavenly Father,

you alone can satisfy the longing of my heart and its many contradictions. In this year of faith, confirm my personal faith and commitment to you. May the example of my life invite others to believe 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=F8umfBRIwW8>