May Daily Prayer & Reflections - 19th May 2020.

May 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 Gods 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 "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your



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.

During this week, we are focusing on the writing of Pope Francis "Laudato Si" as we mark the 5th anniversary of its publication. This focuses on how we can care for the world and all the people in it. We pray for a love for the environment.

Prayer for the Day:

Lord God, may nothing separate me from You today. Teach me how to choose only Your way today so each step will lead me closer to You. Help me walk by the Word and not my feelings. 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 :

Unless I go, the Advocate will not come to you

Jesus said to his disciples:

'Now I am going to the one who sent me.

Not one of you has asked, "Where are you going?"

Yet you are sad at heart because I have told you this. Still, I must tell you the truth: it is for your own good that I am going because unless I go, the Advocate will not come to you; but if I do go, I will send him to you. And when he comes, he will show the world how wrong it was, about sin, and about who was in the right, and about judgement: about sin: proved by their refusal to believe in me; about who was in the right: proved by my going to the Father and your seeing me no more;

about judgement: proved by the prince of this world being already condemned.'

Reflection:

Pope Francis says, we are a holy people because of the anointing of the Spirit, and we can rely on the truth of what we believe. The Holy Spirit guides me in the truth. I can rely on the Spirit when proclaiming the Good News, in whatever form my witnessing takes. I ask God for faith and for courage.

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We pray for your love and guidance to shine today. We pray for an outward positivity and the grace of sharing testimony to those we encounter that your love may truly be shown to all.

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: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=F8umfBRlwW8</u>

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

Twitter: @bc_chaplaincy

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

One Life Music Weekly Worship: <u>https://youtu.be/bs36zxL_EE8</u>