

**May Daily Prayer & Reflections – 26th May 2020.**

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 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.

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



*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:

*Heavenly Father,*

at the start of each day, help us to recognize you above all else. Enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see you, and notice how you're at work through our lives. Give us wisdom to make the best choices, fill us with a desire to seek after you more than anything else in this world. Let your Spirit and power breathe in us, through us, again, fresh and new. Thank you that you are greater than anything we may face in our day. Thank you that your presence goes with us, and that your joy is never dependent on our circumstances, but it is our true and lasting strength, no matter what we're up against.

*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 :**

Father, may they be completely one

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said:  
‘Holy Father,  
I pray not only for these,  
but for those also  
who through their words will believe in me.  
May they all be one.  
Father, may they be one in us,  
as you are in me and I am in you,  
so that the world may believe it was you who sent me.  
I have given them the glory you gave to me,  
that they may be one as we are one.  
With me in them and you in me,  
may they be so completely one  
that the world will realise that it was you who sent me  
and that I have loved them as much as you loved me.  
Father, I want those you have given me  
to be with me where I am,  
so that they may always see the glory you have given me  
because you loved me before the foundation of the world.  
Father, Righteous One,  
the world has not known you,  
but I have known you,  
and these have known that you have sent me.  
I have made your name known to them  
and will continue to make it known,  
so that the love with which you loved me may be in them,  
and so that I may be in them.’

*Reflection:*

As I sit with these words can I sense something of the depth of Jesus’ love for his Father? And the depth of his love for us, his longing that we be one, that we know

him and are willing to have him show his love for us in the way we live and the way we treat one another.

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=F8umfBRIwW8>

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/bs36zxL\\_EE8](https://youtu.be/bs36zxL_EE8)