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



# **May Daily Prayer & Reflections**

# 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020

During the month of May the month of Mary, we are going to be thinking about Mary and her love for all of us and her love for God. 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.

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.

Throughout these unprecedented times, we need to remember that just because the building of the church is closed, the Church community is well and truly alive and flourishing.

# **Prayer for the Day:**

Almighty God,

We pray for the unapologetic faith and truth like Mary to openly say Yes to the challenges God puts before us. We pray for her humility and grace and allow her wisdom to break in to our lives today.

#### 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:

## The Father and I are one

It was the time when the feast of Dedication was being celebrated in Jerusalem. It was winter, and Jesus was in the Temple walking up and down in the Portico of Solomon. The Jews gathered round him and said, 'How much longer are you going to keep us in suspense? If you are the Christ, tell us plainly.' Jesus replied:

'I have told you, but you do not believe.

The works I do in my Father's name are my witness;

but you do not believe,

because you are no sheep of mine.

The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice;

I know them and they follow me.

I give them eternal life;

they will never be lost

and no one will ever steal them from me.

The Father who gave them to me is greater than anyone,

and no one can steal from the Father.

The Father and I are one.'

### Reflection:

During these times, we need time to pause and think of our worth and how much we are loved. God created us for greatness and has a plan in store for each of his flock. Throughout this scripture, it reminds us that we are known, loved and valued. He knows us because He is our creator.

God made us individual not a copy of someone else. We are called for greatness and to follow him unapologetically.

Prayer

Heavenly Father,

We pray for unapologetic faith and trust in You. We pray for a place of refuge in You during these unprecedented times. We ask your light to guide our path and journey with 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: <a href="https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/blog/category/catholic-life-blog">https://bishopchalloner.org.uk/blog/category/catholic-life-blog</a>

One Life Music Weekly Worship: <a href="https://youtu.be/bs36zxl\_EE8">https://youtu.be/bs36zxl\_EE8</a>