

May Daily Prayer & Reflections - 13th May 2020

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 word." Luke 1:38



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.

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.

Prayer for the Day:

Almighty God,

Thank you for all you have bestowed on us. We express pure gratitude for You walking with us in our journey. We ask to see your work clearly in our life.

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 :

I am the vine, you are the branches

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,

and my Father is the vinedresser.

Every branch in me that bears no fruit

he cuts away,

and every branch that does bear fruit

he prunes to make it bear even more.

You are pruned already,

by means of the word that I have spoken to you.

Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.

As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,
but must remain part of the vine,
neither can you unless you remain in me.

I am the vine,
you are the branches.

Whoever remains in me, with me in him,
bears fruit in plenty;
for cut off from me you can do nothing.

Anyone who does not remain in me
is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers;
these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,
and they are burnt.

If you remain in me
and my words remain in you,
you may ask what you will
and you shall get it.

It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit,
and then you will be my disciples.'

Reflection: In this scripture, we are told that the Lord is the Vine and we are the branches. We are connected to Him and he is our foundation. This is also said in other scripture where the Lord is told as our strong tower, our stronghold and our refuge. We take time throughout these unprecedented times to rely on Him. We have Him as a foundation we need not fear.

Prayer

Teach me, Lord Jesus, what it is to live in you, and for you to live in me. It means being in love with you, being at ease with you, finding my strength in you, and being ready, when questioned, to explain to others what you are in my life. 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/bs36zxL EE8>