

Love one
ANOTHER
as I have
LOVED
you
-JOHN 15:12



'THOUGH WE ARE MANY, WE ARE ONE BODY IN CHRIST.'
1 CORINTHIANS 12:12

'We pray together at home.'

The 6th
Sunday of
Easter

Year B

Sunday 9th May 2021

An Act of Spiritual Communion- The Sixth Sunday of Easter Year B

During this time when we may be unable to join together with our parish communities to celebrate the Eucharist, we offer you this resource as a way of engaging with the readings and prayers of the Mass. The readings are taken from the Lectionary for children.

These resources can be used whilst participating digitally in the many private Masses that priests in our diocese are offering online.

*We hope you find this resource useful.
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Click here to find the full list of all online streamed Masses available throughout the Diocese of Hexham and Newcastle.

<http://www.rcdhn.org.uk/health/coronavirus.php#area3>



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Creating a place of prayer in the home.

Light a candle and gather together with your family. You might place a Crucifix or a Holy Image next to your candle. If you have a Bible, you may like to open the Bible to the readings that are going to be used during Mass today.

Use the link on the first page of this document to access Livestreamed Masses from around the Diocese.

We Gather together as God's family and ask for His Forgiveness

*We gather together in the name of the Father,
and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit
Amen.*

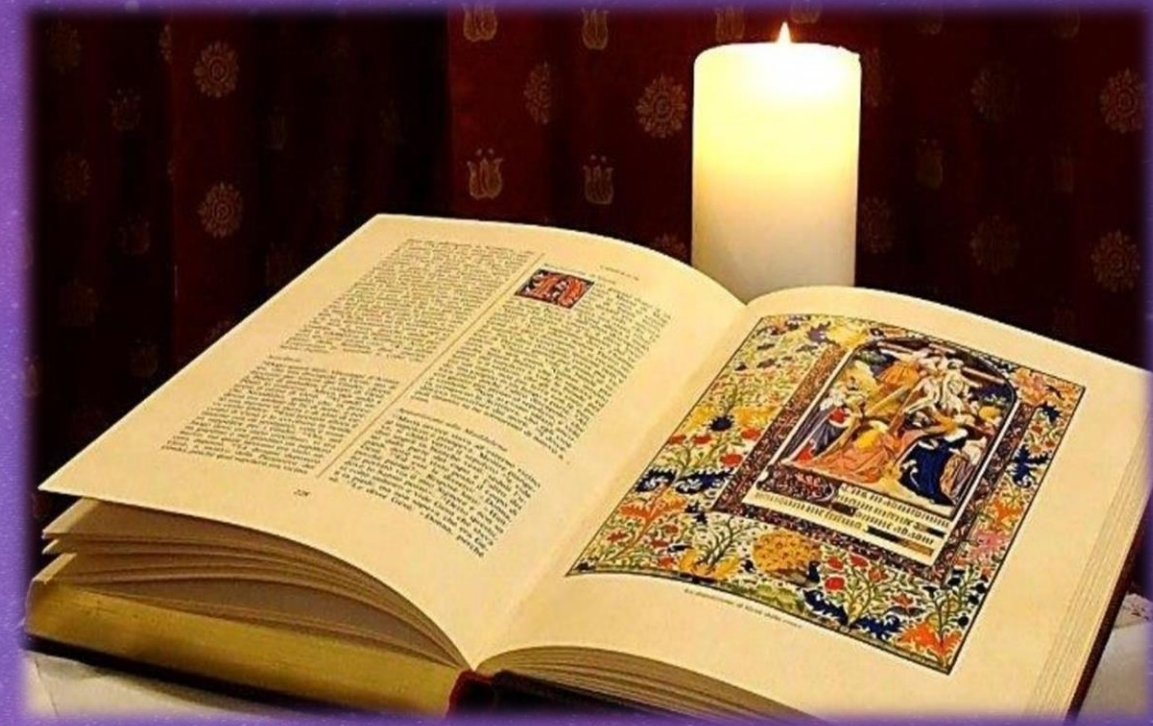
We turn to God asking for His guidance and strength in our lives.

*Lord Jesus, You heal the sick- Lord have mercy
Lord Jesus, You forgive sinners- Christ have mercy*

Lord Jesus, You give us yourself to feed us and bring us strength- Lord have mercy

*May Almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins and bring us to everlasting life.
Amen*

We sing the Gloria- praising God together!



We pray together

*Dear Jesus,
Thank you for loving me and for showing me how to love.
Please help me to be kind, caring and respectful of all people.
In your name I pray.
Amen*

We Listen to the Word of God:

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48

When Peter arrived, Cornelius greeted him.

Then he kneeled at Peter's feet and started worshipping him.

But Peter took hold of him and said, "Stand up!

I am nothing more than a human." Peter then said,

"Now I am certain that God treats all people alike.

God is pleased with everyone who worships him and does right,

no matter what nation they come from."

While Peter was still speaking, the Holy Spirit took control of everyone

who was listening. Some Jewish followers of the Lord had come with

Peter,

and they were surprised that the Holy Spirit had been given to Gentiles.

Now they were hearing Gentiles speaking unknown languages and praising

God.

Peter said, "These Gentiles have been given the Holy Spirit, just as we

have!

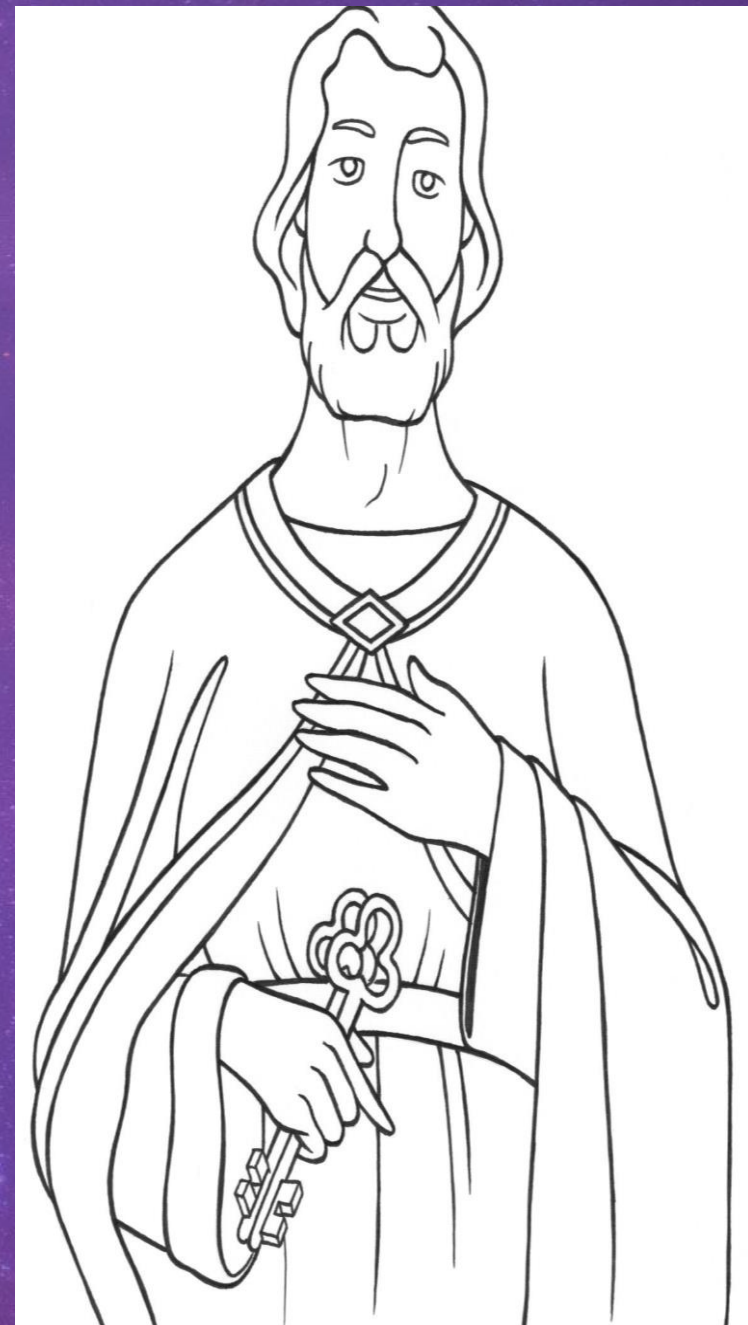
I am certain that no one would dare stop us from baptizing them."

Peter ordered them to be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ,

and they asked him to stay on for a few days.

The Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God



We Listen to the Word of God:

The Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord!
He has worked miracles,
and with his own powerful arm,
he has won the victory.
The Lord has shown the nations
that he has the power to save
and to bring justice.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

God's saving power is seen
everywhere on earth.
Tell everyone on this earth
to sing happy songs
in praise of the Lord.

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.



We Listen to the Word of God:

A reading from the first letter of John 4:7-10

My dear friends, we must love each other.

Love comes from God,
and when we love each other,
it shows that we have been given new life.

We are now God's children, and we know him.

God is love,
and anyone who doesn't love others has never known him.

God showed his love for us
when he sent his only Son into the world to give us life.

Real love is not our love for God, but his love for us.

God sent his Son to be the sacrifice by which our sins are forgiven

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We Greet the Good News by saying:

Alleluia, alleluia.

*All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them,
and we will come to them*

Alleluia.

† A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John 15:9-14
Jesus said to his disciples:

"I have loved you,
just as my Father has loved me.
So make sure that I keep on loving you.
If you obey me,
I will keep loving you,
just as my Father keeps loving me,
because I have obeyed him.

"I have told you this to make you as completely happy as I am.
Now I tell you to love each other,
as I have loved you.

The greatest way to show love for friends is to die for them.
And you are my friends,
if you obey me."

The Gospel of the Lord
Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ



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We Respond - Taken from www.adorers.org

'As the Father has loved me, so I love You

"As the Father has loved me, so I love you." Isn't that amazing?! Jesus loves us the way His Father loves Him! To find out just how much love that is we need to look at how God treated Jesus. God gave Him a mother and step-father that were very special and loving.

God told everyone that Jesus was His son and He was very proud of Him. God guided Jesus to tell the world that God loves them and wants them to treat each other with love and respect. God asked Jesus to do things that were right even though others would get angry and not like Him. God asked Jesus to die to save us. God raised Jesus from the dead.

Saying that Jesus loves us in the same way that God loves Him means that He also cares for us like a parent and asks us to do hard things just as God asked Him. "Love one another as I have loved you" is the second part of this teaching. We know how Jesus was obedient to God and did as He was asked even when it was hard. We know how Jesus treated everyone with love and respect, even those who were unpopular. We know how Jesus made people feel loved. This is how He wants us to love and care for others. This is easy to do when it is our parents or our friends. What about when it is our brother or sister or someone who is mean, or someone who is different?

Love is not just a warm fuzzy feeling we get. It is an action. To love means to live our lives showing love. Being kind, fair, respectful and caring to EVERYONE is how we love (ALL) others as Jesus loves us.

We Profess our faith in God together:

I believe in God the Father, I believe in God the Son, I believe in God the Holy Spirit. Our God is three, Our God is One.

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We Respond (Intercessions taken from www.cafod.org.uk)

Let us keep God's love for us in mind as we pray:

We pray for world leaders: that they may be inspired by Jesus' example of love, to do what is best for all people. Lord, hear us...

We pray for all children around the world: that they may have the chance to play and learn with their friends. Lord, hear us...

We pray for our parish, family and friends: that we may be good friends to each other, helping and caring for others especially people who are poor around the world. Lord, hear us...

Closing prayer: *Generous God, we give thanks for our friends and the joy they bring us. Help us to be generous, loving and kind to all people around the world, so that they may know that we are their friends. Amen.*

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THE YEAR OF THE WORD



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We Pray the Family Prayer of All Christians
Our Father...

We now make an Act of Spiritual Communion
My Jesus,

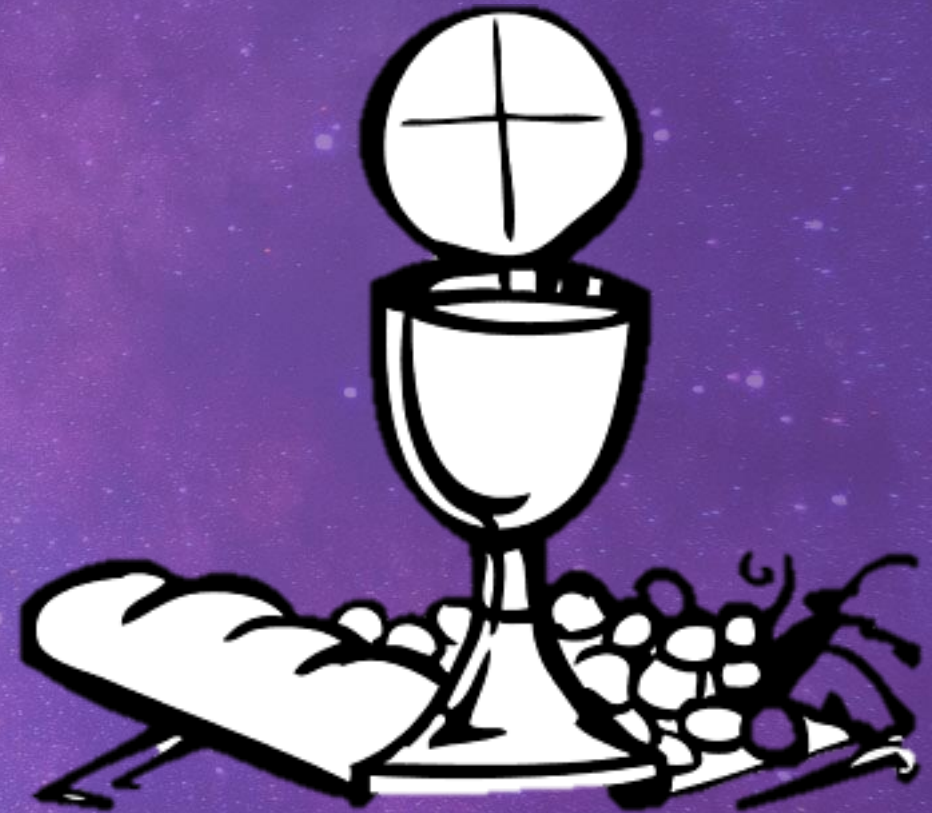
*I believe that you are present in the Most Holy
Sacrament.*

*I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into
my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive you
sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I
embrace you as if you were already there and unite
myself wholly to you. Never permit me to be separated
from you.
Amen*

We end our time of prayer

May God Bless us and keep us safe.

*In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy
Spirit.
Amen*



**We can join in the Celebration of Mass online by visiting the
following website:**

[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Egg-
cFTh5i2y_EQw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC12EvW0Egg-cFTh5i2y_EQw)

**- St. Mary's RC Cathedral, Newcastle
(Sunday Mass at 11:30am- Daily Mass 12 noon)**



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Activity Ideas- From CAFOD

Ask the children to colour in the accompanying illustration, and to draw in themselves and their friends into the group of children - one of the children in the illustration is just an outline which they can add their own features on to. On the back ask them to write a prayer giving thanks for their friends, or to write or draw how they will be good friends to others around the world this week.

Make a paper chain of friends with the children:

- Fold a sheet of paper, accordion-fashion, (like you would to make a paper fan) in three-inch strips so that all sections are equal. The number of folds in the paper determines the number of people in the chain.
- On the top piece of the folded paper, draw a person whose hands extend to touch the folds of the paper on each side.
 - Carefully cut around the person, making sure NOT to cut where the hands meet the folds.
 - Open up the paper and you will have a chain of several people holding hands.
 - Get the children to colour them in with crayons. They can also name the paper people as different people in their friendship group - including some of the children from around the world featured in CAFOD's website and resources at cafod.org.uk/primary

Ask the children to go home and share all that they have heard and thought about today and to ask the people they live with who their friends are! If the children have written a prayer giving thanks for their friends encourage them to say this at home during the week. Ask them to show their love for others both here and around the world over the coming week as Jesus asks us to.

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*Sixth Sunday of Easter
Gospel: John 15:9-17*



Find more resources at cafod.org.uk/families

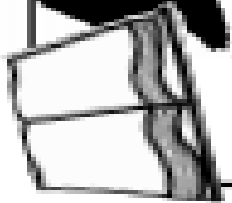


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Speak, Lord

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SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN
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Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Psalm 97
1 John 4:7-10
John 15:9-17

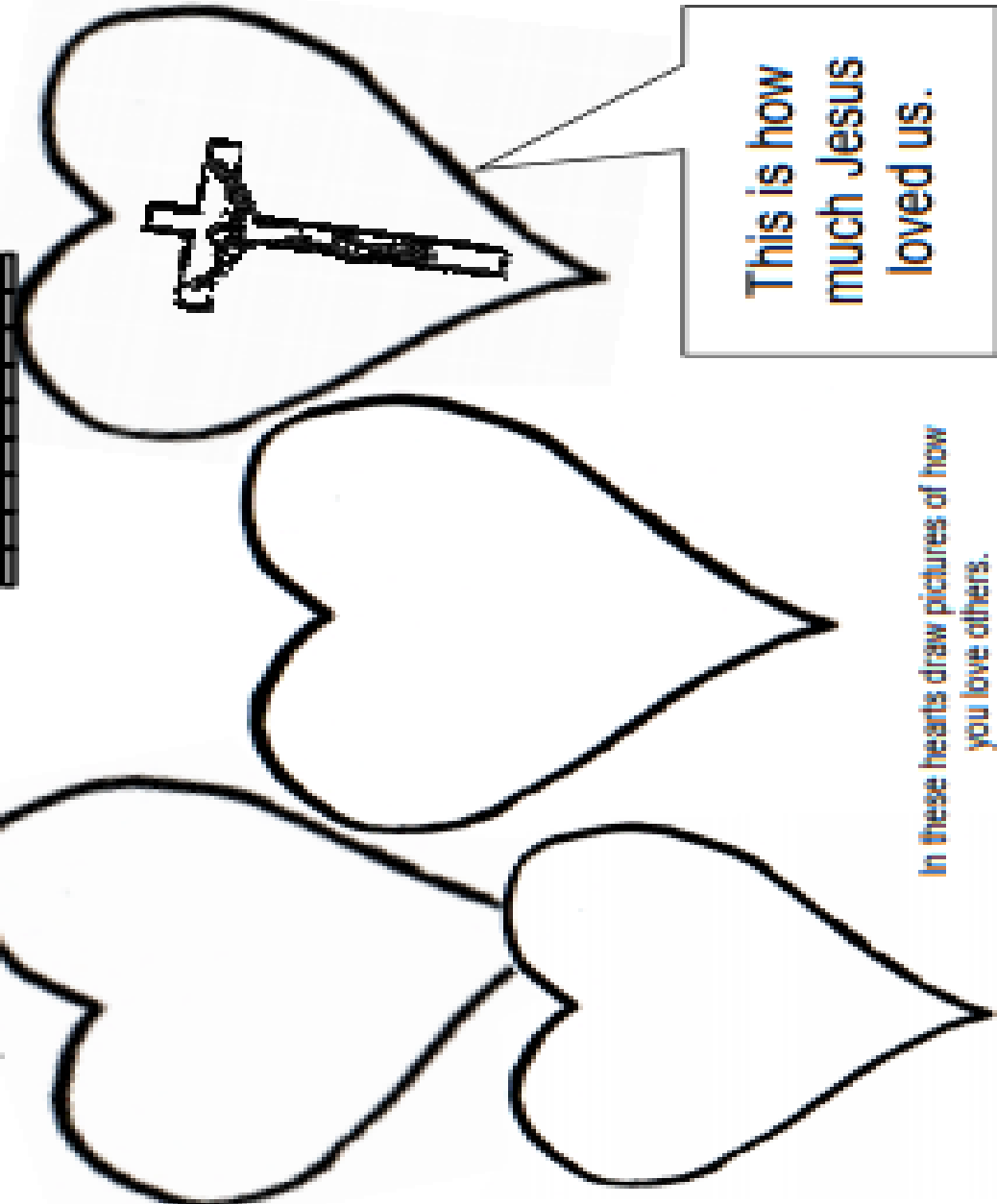
SUNDAY LITURGY FOR CHILDREN
Year B — 6th Sunday of Easter

Jesus says:

**"THIS IS MY COMMANDMENT:
ONE ANOTHER,
AS I HAVE
YOU."**

What are
the missing
words?



In these hearts draw pictures of how
you love others.

**REMEMBER
THIS
THURSDAY**

FEAST OF THE ASCENSION

J _____ goes back to his F _____.