

First Reading Acts 13:14,43-52**A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles**

Paul and Barnabas carried on from Perga till they reached Antioch in Pisidia. Here they went to synagogue on the Sabbath and took their seats. When the meeting broke up, many Jews and devout converts joined Paul and Barnabas, and in their talks with them Paul and Barnabas urged them to remain faithful to the grace God had given them. The next Sabbath almost the entire town assembled to hear the word of God. When they saw the crowds, the Jews, prompted by jealousy, used blasphemies and contradicted everything Paul had said. Then Paul and Barnabas spoke out boldly. 'We had to proclaim the word of God to you first, but since you have rejected it, since you do not think yourselves worthy of eternal life, we must turn to the pagans. For this is what the Lord commanded us to do when he said: I have made you a light for the nations, so that my salvation may reach the ends of the earth.' It made the pagans very happy to hear this and they thanked the Lord for his message; all who were destined for eternal life became believers. Thus the word of the Lord spread through the whole countryside. But the Jews worked upon some of the devout women of the upper classes and the leading men of the city and persuaded them to turn against Paul and Barnabas and expel them from their territory. So they shook the dust from their feet in defiance and went off to Iconium; but the disciples were filled with joy and the Holy Spirit.

The Word of the Lord
Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm. Psalm 99:1-3,5

We are his people, the sheep of his flock.

Cry out with joy to the Lord, all the earth.
 Serve the Lord with gladness.
 Come before him, singing for joy.

Know that he, the Lord, is God.
 He made us, we belong to him,
 We are his people the sheep of his flock.

Indeed, how good is the Lord,
 Eternal his merciful love.
 He is faithful from age to age.

Second Reading Apocalypse 7:9,14-17**A reading from the Book of the Apocalypse**

I, John, saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. One of the elders said to me, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and because they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb, they now stand in front of God's throne and serve him day and night in his sanctuary; and the One who sits on the throne will spread his tent over them. They will never hunger or thirst again; neither the sun nor scorching wind will ever plague them, because the Lamb who is at the throne will be their shepherd and will lead them to springs of living water; and God will wipe away all the tears from their eyes.'

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Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia! Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord: I know my own sheep and they know me.

Alleluia

Gospel John 10:27-30

The Lord be with you

And with your spirit.

A Reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Glory to you, O Lord.

Jesus said: '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.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

FRATELLI TUTTI

Reciprocal Gifts

135. Here I would mention some examples that I have used in the past. Latino culture is "a ferment of values and possibilities that can greatly enrich the United States", for "intense immigration always ends up influencing and transforming the culture of a place... In Argentina, intense immigration from Italy has left a mark on the culture of the society, and the presence of some 200,000 Jews has a great effect on the cultural 'style' of Buenos Aires. Immigrants, if they are helped to integrate, are a blessing, a source of enrichment and new gift that encourages a society to grow".[\[118\]](#)

136. On an even broader scale, Grand Imam Ahmad Al-Tayyeb and I have observed that "good relations between East and West are indisputably necessary for both. They must not be neglected, so that each can be enriched by the other's culture through fruitful exchange and dialogue. The West can discover in the East remedies for those spiritual and religious maladies that are caused by a prevailing materialism. And the East can find in the West many elements that can help free it from weakness, division, conflict and scientific, technical and cultural decline. It is important to pay attention to religious, cultural and historical differences that are a vital component in shaping the character, culture and civilization of the East. It is likewise important to reinforce the bond of fundamental human rights in order to help ensure a dignified life for all the men and women of East and West, avoiding the politics of double standards".[\[119\]](#)

POPE FRANCIS

		Forth Sunday of Easter	
<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Fr Michael Coleman	St MM
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	Ernest & Mary Horbury Anniversary	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Nellie McNicholas Bdy	Bl Sac
<u>Saturday</u>	Reader	Jenny Baker	St MM
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Mary Ann Bailey & Chris Kelly	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Andrew	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>	9.30 am	Special Intention	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	9.30 am	Mary Gutowski	St MM
<u>Friday</u>	9.30 am	Henryk Peczkowski Anniversary RIP	Bl Sac

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SATURDAY	6.00 PM	ERROLL BELL	ST MM
SUNDAY	9.30 AM	JOHN CUNLIFFE RIP	ST TER
SUNDAY	11.30 AM	SUSAN LOCKWOOD	BL SAC
SATURDAY	READER	PETER McDERMOTT	ST MM
SUNDAY	READER	TONY DEIGHTON & MARY ANN BAILEY	ST TER
SUNDAY	READER	STELLA	BL SAC

ANNOUNCEMENTS

OFFERTORY DONATIONS

Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous offertory donations.

St Ter	Envelopes £149.50	Loose Money £13.50	
St MM	Envelopes £136.40	Loose Money £78.40	Raffle £38.00 24.4.22
St MM	Envelopes £76.00	Loose Money £56.50	
Bl Sac	Envelopes £185.00	Loose Money £60.00	Raffle £31.00

There is no longer a legal requirement to wear a face mask. But we would like to ask people to continue to wear a mask unless exempt. We need to look after each other. Thank you for your cooperation. It is much appreciated.

Fr. Peter

Second Collection this week – Priests Training Fund

Celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee!

A proposed Parish Celebration will be held at St Mary Magdalene's on Friday the 3rd June, time to be confirmed. A meeting will be held to discuss the Celebration on Wednesday 11th May at 7.00 pm at St Mary Magdalene. Volunteers will be needed for planning and preparation.

St Teresa's

Blessed Sacrament

St Mary Magdalene's

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Fourth Sunday of Easter

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and no one
can steal from the Father.
The Father and I are one.'*

