

A Reading from the Acts of the Apostles.**8:5-8,14-17**

In those days: Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralysed or lame were healed. So there was much joy in that city. Now when the Apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.**Responsorial Psalm****Psalm 66(65) 1-3a,4-5,6-7a,16,20****Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.**

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God, 'How wondrous your deeds!'

'Before you all the earth shall bow down,
shall sing to you, sing to his name!'
Come and see the works of God:
his wondrous deeds among the children of Adam.

He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.
Let our joy, then, be in him;
he rules for ever by his might.

Come and hear, all who fear God;
I will tell what he did for my soul.
Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer,
nor withhold from me his merciful love.

A Reading from the First Letter of St Peter.**3:15-18**

Beloved: In your hearts honour Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defence to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that when you are slandered, those who revile your good behaviour in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

The word of the Lord.**Alleluia, alleluia.**

If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him.

Alleluia.**A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.****14:15-21**

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him or knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.**ANNOUNCEMENTS****Diocesan Consultation: Bishop Marcus writes:**

"The Holy Father has invited the faithful of the dioceses of Middlesbrough, Hallam and Leeds to undertake an important task: to explore the possibility of how our three dioceses can work together in closer collaboration with a view to a possible future union as one diocesan family, so that we may be better placed to carry forward the mission of the Church in our region. As well as the consultation meetings taking place across our dioceses, there is also an opportunity for lay faithful in all three dioceses to contribute to this consultation, either individually or as a parish group, by completing the online questionnaire. I encourage the faithful within our dioceses to devote time and prayerful reflection upon these questions before offering a response, so that the Holy Spirit may guide us through this important process of consultation and discernment. To assist in this, prayer resources and a presentation have been made available below to help ensure that this period of reflection is fruitful. I kindly ask that responses be submitted through the online questionnaire no later than 22nd May 2026.

The link to the questionnaire can be found on the Leeds Diocesan website (www.dioceseofleeds.org.uk)

You will find there:

Consultation Presentation

Format for Prayers

Consultation Participant Notes.

Thank you for the time and prayer you can offer to this important task, which has been entrusted to us by His Holiness Pope Leo XIV. With every blessing and the assurance of my prayers, I remain, Yours in the Lord Jesus Christ, +Marcus"

		Sixth Sunday of Easter A 26	
<u>Saturday</u>	6.00 pm	Tony Butterworth Birthday Memories	St MM
<u>Sunday</u>	9.30 am	Marie Murphy RIP	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	11.30 am	Mary & James Connolly Anniversary	Bl Sac
<u>Saturday</u>	Reader	Ann Worth	St MM
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Chris Horbury & Janet Lowe	St Ter
<u>Sunday</u>	Reader	Paul	Bl Sac
<u>Tuesday</u>	9.30 am	Special Intention	St Ter
<u>Wednesday</u>	9.30 am	Monica McNicholas Birthday Blessings (NM)	St MM
<u>Thursday</u>	6.00 pm	The Ascension of the Lord - Peoples of the Parishes	St MM
<u>Friday</u>	9.30 am	Monica McNicholas Birthday Blessings (CM)	Bl Sac

Seventh Sunday of Easter A 26

SATURDAY	6.00 PM	CONNIE MCNICHOLAS ANNIVERSARY	STMM
SUNDAY	9.30 AM	BEN ROE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION	ST TER
SUNDAY	11.30 AM	BILL TURNER 90 TH BIRTHDAY BLESSINGS	BL SAC
SATURDAY	READER	NORAH HOULT	ST MM
SUNDAY	READER	ANN WORTH & DICKIE DENTON	ST TER
SUNDAY	READER	TERESA	BL SAC

ANNOUNCEMENTS
OFFERTORY DONATIONS

Thank you to all our parishioners for your generous Offertory Donations

St Ter Env £99.00 Loose Money £40.00

St MM Env £115.00 LM £136.35 Raffle £37.75

Bl Sac Env £128.00 Loose Money £104.38 Raffle £23.00

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Level 1 Beginners, Level 2 Intermediate, and Level 3 Advanced Certificates.

Please see Parish Safeguarding Representatives for more information.

Each Parish has a Poster with further information.

MAY PROCESSION

This year's Annual May Procession will take place Sunday 17th May - commencing at 2.00 pm. If you have Donations towards the Raffle, or you wish to donate to the refreshments, buns, cakes or biscuits, please bring your donations on the day.

Please bring flowers to present to Our Lady. Thank you.

Second Collection Next Weekend - World Communications Day

Welcome to the parishes of

St Teresa's

Blessed Sacrament

St Mary Magdalene's

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Sixth Sunday of Easter A 26

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

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keep my commandments.
And I will ask the Father,
and he will give you another Helper,
to be with you for ever,
even the Spirit of truth,
whom the world cannot receive,
because it neither sees
him or knows him.
I will not leave you as orphans;
I will come to you...

