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(Year B)

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Sunday Reflection: “Consecrate them in truth” – A basic principle in modern therapy is to revisit the past in order to understand and appreciate the present. This principle of consulting the past in order to understand the present was used widely in the early church. Often, we come across the statement that “things happened” “so that the Scriptures might be fulfilled”. Insights from the past and attention to the present helps to shape the future. In an atmosphere of love, Jesus in today’s Gospel, prays for his disciples. He prays that they may be united and faithful to the mission entrusted to them, just as the He was true to the mission given to him by the Father. He prays that they may be preserved in the truth and be victorious over evil. Here we find Jesus praying for His Church as He is about to return home to the Father. The Church will continue and maintain and develop his mission in the world. Jesus was praying for all of us: “As you sent me into the world, I have sent them into the world, and for their sake I consecrate myself so that they too may be consecrated in truth”

World Communications Day – This is today! In his letter to the Parishes, Bishop John Arnold writes: for World Communications Day 2018, Pope Francis speaks of journalists as “The protectors of news”, that their task is “not just a job; it is a mission”. He reminds us that persons are at the heart of information, that informing others means forming others; “That is why ensuring the accuracy of sources and protecting communication are real means of promoting goodness, generating trust, and opening the way to communion and peace.” On this World Communications Day, we pray for those who work in the media and also for the valuable work carried out on our behalf by the Communications Office of the Bishop’s Conference. Working with journalists across both national and international media outlets, it provides a professional news service to the Church and to the world. Pray for the Church’s work in this area of life and support its good work by your generosity in today’s 2nd Collection at all masses. We all can help “spread the Good News”.

First Holy Communion – Practice for Group B is on Wednesday 16th May from 3.45pm to 4.30pm. Communion Day for Group A was on this Sat 12th May. Communion Day for Group B will be on Sat 19th May at 10.30am Mass. Note No 10am Mass on Saturday 19th May.

Confirmation – Next Session will be on Thursday 17th May 2018.

Organ Recitals – Our 2nd Organ Recital will be held on Thursday 17th May from 8pm to 9pm. Hosted by Cathy Ennis, St Lawrence Jewry: in Memory of Sheila Lawrence, Director of Music in our Parish for many years. We are delighted to welcome Catherine Ennis back to play our Church Organ as she spent some years here in our Parish assisting in the formation of our Junior Choir in the 70’s and 80’s.

Baptism Course – Will be on Tuesday 5th and Tuesday 12th June 2018 in our Founders Room. Please get a registration form from the Parish Office. Both Parents must attend.

Gift Aid Envelopes – Please collect your envelopes immediately!

Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon - Fri 9am to 5pm

(Lunch Hour 1.30pm - 2.30pm)

Mass Times

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30pm

Sunday 8.30am

10am

(Spanish) 11.15am

12.15pm

7pm

Mon - Sat 10am

6.30pm

Sacrament of Confession

Mon - Fri 6.15 - 6.30pm

Saturday 10.45 - 11.15am

6.00 - 6.30pm

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Mon - Fri 10.30 am - 11.15am

Rosary – Wednesdays 10.30am, followed by Tea/Coffee in the Founders Room.

Legion of Mary – Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Library. New members are welcome!

Charismatic Prayer Group: Is on Thursdays at 11am in the Founders’ Room.

Saints Days

Mon 14th – St Matthias

Fri 18th – St John I

Volunteers Needed – To help clean our Beautiful Church! If you could spare some time in your week, please give your name to the Parish Office.

Table Top Sale – On Sunday 27th May after each Mass. Proceeds will go towards expenses of the current Art Exhibition in the Colonnade.