

SCARBOROUGH CATHOLIC PARISHES



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Welcome Fáilte Merĥba Croeso Witajcie Swagatam Mabuhay
Benvenuto Bienvenu Bienvenido Benvindo Benvinguts Willkommen

WEEK COMMENCING 26 APRIL 2020

DIVINE OFFICE: week 3

3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER - YEAR A

Wednesday & Friday are days of special prayer (details inside)

STATIONS OF THE RESURRECTION – VIA LUCIS



Resurrection

Stations of the Resurrection, also known as *Via Lucis* (Latin *Way of Light*), is a Catholic devotion similar in format to, and complementing the *Stations of the Cross*, the Latin names for both being similar too (*Via Crucis/Via Lucis*). All Stations are based on incidents contained in the four Gospels and the Acts of the Apostles.

The *Way of the Cross* (*Via Crucis*) follows the course of Jesus' Passion, Death, and Burial as depicted in a set of 14 images which are to be found in virtually all Catholic churches. The *Way of Light* (*Via Lucis*) celebrates and encourages meditation upon the most joyful time in the Christian liturgical year, the fifty days **from Easter (the Resurrection) to Pentecost (descent of the Holy Spirit)**.

The idea for depicting the **Way of Light** was inspired by an ancient inscription found on a wall of the San Callisto Catacombs on the Appian Way in Rome. The inscription comes from St Paul's first letter to the church at Corinth (c. 56 AD), in response to the report that some members were denying the Resurrection (1 Corinthians 15:3-8):

"I delivered to you as of first importance what I had been taught myself, namely that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the Scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised to life on the third day, in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brothers at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have died. Then he appeared to James, and then to all the apostles. Last of all, he appeared to me, too."

In the 1990s, Salesian priest **Fr Sabino Palumbieri** helped combine the events of inscription with other post-Resurrection events. These new *Stations* emphasise the positive, hopeful aspect of the Christian story not absent from the *Way of the Cross*, but not as evident because of its tortuous side. This devotion received formal recognition by the Vatican's Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments. The *Via Lucis* was listed (#153) in its Directory on Popular Piety and the Liturgy (Dec 2001): *A pious exercise called the Via Lucis has developed and spread to many regions in recent years. Following the model of the Via Crucis, the Faithful process while meditating on the various appearances of Jesus-from his Resurrection to his Ascension, in which he showed his glory to the disciples who awaited the coming of the Holy Spirit (cf. John 14, 26; 16, 13-15; Luke: 24, 49), strengthened their faith, brought to completion his teaching on the Kingdom and more closely defined the sacramental and hierarchical structure of the Church.*

Through the Via Lucis, the faithful recall the central event of the faith - the resurrection of Christ - and their discipleship in virtue of Baptism, the Paschal Sacrament by which they have passed from the darkness of sin to the bright radiance of the light of grace (cf. Colossians 1, 13; Ephesians 5, 8).

For centuries, the Via Crucis involved the faithful in the first moment of the Easter event, namely the Passion, and helped to fix its most important aspects in their consciousness. Analogously, the Via Lucis, when celebrated in fidelity to the Gospel text, can effectively convey a living understanding to the faithful of the second moment of the Paschal event, namely the Lord's Resurrection.

The Via Lucis is an excellent pedagogy of the Faith, since "per crucem ad lucem." Using the metaphor of a journey, the Via Lucis moves from the experience of suffering, which in God's plan is part of life, to the hope of arriving at man's true end: liberation, joy, and peace, which are essentially paschal values. The Via Lucis can act as a stimulus for the restoration of a "culture of life" which is open to the hope and certitude offered by faith, in a society often characterized by a "culture of death", despair, and nihilism.

WEBSITE LINK for the Devotion: www.catholicnewsagency.com/resources/liturgy/easter-season/via-lucis-way-of-the-light



Pentecost



Empty tomb



Mary & disciples wait in prayer



Mary meets Jesus



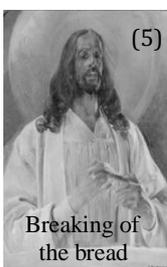
The Ascension



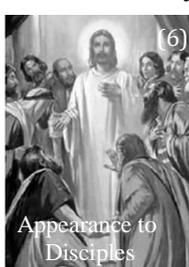
Road to Emmaus



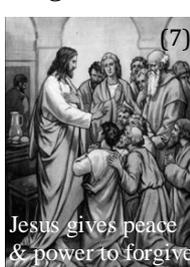
Jesus commissions the Disciples



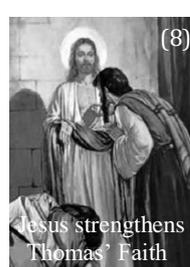
Breaking of the bread



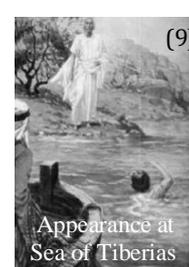
Appearance to Disciples



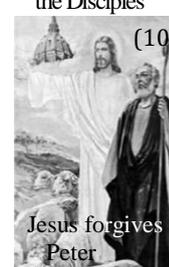
Jesus gives peace & power to forgive



Jesus strengthens Thomas' Faith



Appearance at Sea of Tiberias



Jesus forgives Peter

**ALL MASSES LIVE STREAMED ONLY FROM ST PETER'S - NO PUBLIC PERMITTED
ALL CHURCHES ARE CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

SATURDAY VIGIL	25	5.30pm	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	For Mass Intentions
SUNDAY	26	11.30am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	see printed copy
Monday	27	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)	
Tuesday	28	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM) St Peter Chanel	
Wednesday	29	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)- DPS * St Catherine of Siena	
Thursday	30	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM) St Pius V	
Friday	1	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM)- DPS * St Joseph the Worker	
Saturday	2	10am	St Peter's (LIVE STREAM) St Athanasius	

* **DAYS OF SPECIAL PRAYER THIS WEEK** **Wednesday:** for Europe (St Catherine of Siena is Patron of Europe); **Friday:** for human work (Friday is the Feast Day of St Joseph the Worker)

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT 11.15am to 12 15pm Monday to Friday (Live Stream)

ROSARY 2pm Mon to Fri (Live Stream) - this **Monday 27 April** is Rosary for Life (Anniversary of Abortion Act 1967)

STREAMED MASSES in our diocese: <https://middlesbrough-diocese.org.uk/streamed-masses-in-our-diocese-2/>

POPE'S MAY PRAYER INTENTION: *We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.*

† ANNIVERSARIES: Brian Crawford, Gary Ledden, David Barker, Anne Sylvester, Sister Rita O Mahony (2004 - parish Sister for St Joseph's) **† RECENTLY DECEASED:** Dr Andrew Little, Ted Holmes, Lee Long, Deacon David Moss (Whitby), Dorothy Sova, Vincente Andulan

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION *My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I passionately desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come spiritually into my heart and soul so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever. Amen.*

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION) As it is not possible to receive the Sacrament of Confession in person at this time, the advice from the Pope & Bishops is to make a personal Confession and Perfect Act of Contrition direct to the Lord, together with a promise to go to Confession as soon as you're able.

ACT OF CONTRITION: *My God, I am sorry for my sins with all my heart. In choosing to do wrong and failing to do good, I have sinned against you whom I should love above all things. I firmly intend, with your help, to do penance, to sin no more, and to avoid whatever leads me to sin. Our Saviour Jesus Christ suffered and died for us. In his name, my God, have mercy.*

ST CATHERINE OF SIENA (1347-1380 **Feast Day Wed 29 April**) was a laywoman associated with the Dominican Order, mystic and author, who had a great influence on Italian literature and the Catholic Church. Canonized in 1461, she is also a Doctor of the Church and Patron of Europe (among other things). Let us pray for Europe as we remain gripped by the Coronavirus pandemic, for all affected by the virus and for speedy availability of a vaccine; and as we continue to move towards the exit of our country from Europe, for those negotiating terms - that they endeavour to seek the common good of the people of all European nations

FEAST OF ST JOSEPH THE WORKER Friday 2 May: on this 2nd of his annual Feast Days, let us pray to St Joseph for protection, strength and support for all working hard during these difficult times on the front line or as key workers. We pray too for those who are forced to work at home, or who are not able to work at all at this time, for the difficulties they may face. As it is St Joseph's Church 60th anniversary this year, it is a special Feast. Pray the Novena to him this week. Here is one of many online from EWTN: www.ewtn.com/catholicism/devotions/novena-to-st-joseph-304



MAY IS THE MONTH OF MARY Why not create little grotto in your home or in the garden and pray the Rosary or a decade during May. Rosary is live streamed **2pm from Monday to Friday** each week. Prayer Cards of Our Lady of all Nations have come and are freely available with newsletter in waterproof boxes outside each church

HOLY WEEK DISPLAY COMPETITION Winners: 1st - Sarah Barrons children; 2nd - Claire Davidsons son, Findlay; 3rd - Tom Usher gathering materials for the display; 4th - Liz White (adult section). Well done to all who took part.

NEWSLETTER is available outside all our churches in a waterproof box - **take a copy to those who are isolated (take care - wear gloves, post through letterbox)**. **MAILING LIST:** email us to receive by email (note, we are not able to post copies).

NEW OFFERTORY ENVELOPES available from next weekend. Anyone wanting to Sign up for envelope or standing order giving, and/or Gift Aid, contact the Parish Office.

DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELPLINE 0808 2000 247 (open 24/7); 0808 801 0327 (male advice); 0808 802 4040 (helpline for men worried they may be harming someone else)

SUNDAY SMILE: *I found £20 in the supermarket carpark and thought to myself, what would Jesus do? So I turned it into wine*