

# Readings for w.b 18<sup>th</sup> May 7<sup>th</sup> Week of Eastertide



Monday 18<sup>th</sup> May

Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> May

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May

Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May

Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May

## Liturgical Year

**Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> May:** St Bernadine of Siena, Priest

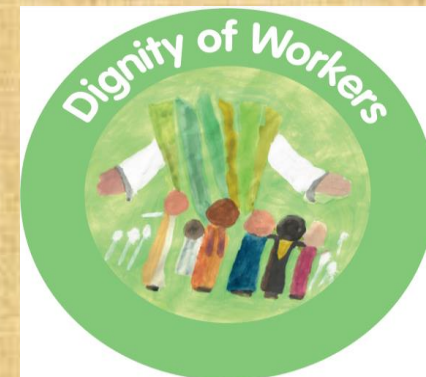
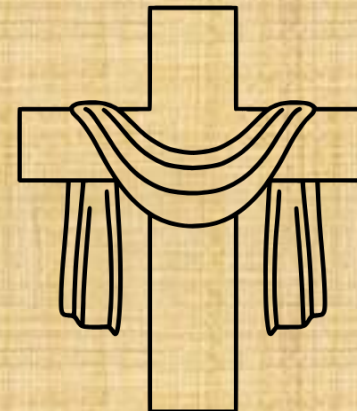
**Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May:** Saint Christopher Magallenes, Priest, and Companions, Martyr

**Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May:** St Rita of Cascia, Religious

***“The glory that you have given me I have given to them, that they may be one even as we are one, I in them and you in me, that they may become perfectly one, so that the world may know that you sent me and loved them even as you loved me.”***

***(Gospel – Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> May)***

# He is Risen, Alleluia!



# Pentecost

Pentecost is a special feast in the Catholic Church. It takes place on the 50<sup>th</sup> and final day of the Easter season. On this day, the Holy Spirit came to Jesus' disciples, just as was promised. The disciples were filled with courage and joy, and they went out to tell everyone about Jesus. That is why we call Pentecost the birthday of the Church.

***“They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them the ability.” Acts 2:4***

***We pray:***

**V. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful.**

**R. And kindle in them the fire of your love.**

**V. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created.**

**R. And you will renew the face of the earth.**

**Let us pray O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of your faithful, grant that by that same Holy Spirit, we may be truly wise, and ever rejoice in your consolation, Through Christ our Lord. Amen.**



# The Joy of Easter

Oh, dear Lord, when I first learned  
about your Crucifixion,  
fear was in my heart.

Knowing what they did to you  
is hard to understand.  
I was worried that we lost you  
but trusted, this was planned.

Now, I understand the joy  
your painful path would bring.  
Now, I know your sacrifice  
that we rejoice and sing.

Behold the joy of Easter,  
the miracle we were shown.  
Rejoice your Resurrection,  
our faith forever sown. *(Loyola Press)*



***We invite you to write  
your own poem about  
Easter to share with the  
children in your class and  
phase.***

# The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for May 2026



**That everyone might have food**

**Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food and to ensure everyone has access to quality food.**

Pope Francis invites us to pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food. This intention highlights the importance of **justice, stewardship** and **care for others**, reminding us that access to food is a basic human right. It challenges us to consider how our choices impact others and calls us to live with gratitude , responsibility and generosity.

*Witness to the Word*

*Please see below some websites to aid you in prayer. We use these resources in school, too. Please click on the image to take you to the website.*

