

Looking Forward



Looking Forward as Sisters and Brothers

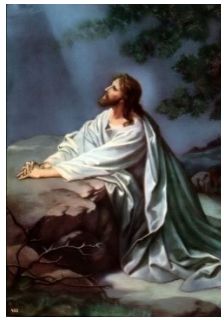
This week's Sunday Gospel reading tells us that Jesus prays for his disciples.

The disciples are part of the world but have been chosen to make God and Jesus known to the world and to serve for the salvation of the world.

We are the followers of Jesus in the world today and like the disciples we work for the salvation of ourselves and others and make Jesus known through our words and actions.

7th Sunday of Easter
21st May 2023:

In the Gospel of John,
Jesus says :
“I pray for
them.”



Abun d-bashmayo nethqadash shmokh



St Rita of Cascia

Rita was a widow who joined the Augustinian order as a nun after the death of her husband. She was born in Italy in the 14th Century and was married to an Italian nobleman. She was married for eighteen years and after her husband was murdered Rita forgave his killers. She joined the order at the age of 36 and died in her 70s. She was canonised in 1900 and is the patron saint of lost and impossible causes, as well as of mothers.



Martyrs of England and Wales : St Edmund Campion

Edmund Campion (1540- 1581) was such an accomplished scholar that he was made a fellow of St John's College, Oxford, at the age of only 17. His Catholic faith led him to walk barefoot to Rome, where he joined the Society of Jesus.

He returned to England as a priest where he ministered to Catholics secretly until he was betrayed.

He was imprisoned in the Tower of London, sentenced to death, and was martyred at Tyburn on 1st December 1581. He was canonised by Pope Paul VI in 1970.

“Youth cannot remain on hold.”

- Pope Francis :

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