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# St Mary Magdalene's Church

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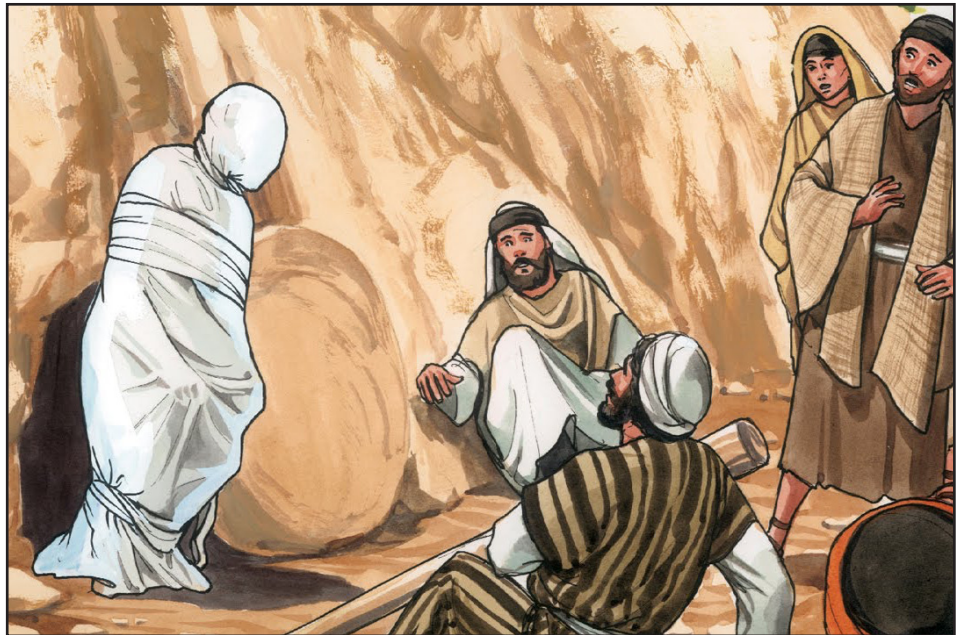
## 10th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C, 5th June 2016

# God has visited his people

The Gospel of Luke, written around A.D. 80–90, is best understood in light of the author's background. Luke was not Jewish, nor was he among the first generation of Christian disciples. He did not know or travel with Jesus. To write his Gospel, he depended on the testimony and traditions of eyewitnesses to Jesus' life and death.

Luke, as a Gentile, was intent on sharing Jesus' life story, teachings, and message of universal Salvation. In the passage before this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus cures the dying slave of a Gentile. Throughout his Gospel, Luke demonstrates that God's promises to Israel are fulfilled in Jesus and that Salvation through Jesus Christ is extended to all people.

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus and his disciples are approaching the city of Naim when they come upon a large funeral procession. The only son of a widow is being carried out. Jesus, filled with pity for the grieving mother, tells her not to weep. He then touches the coffin and tells the young man to arise. With that, the dead man gets up and starts speaking. The crowd, amazed at what they have just witnessed, praise God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen in our midst" and "God has visited his people."



This is reminiscent of what we hear in today's First Reading from 1 Kings when the prophet Elijah raised from the dead the only son of a widow. The woman's response is recognition of Elijah as a prophet, a man of God: "It is truly the word of the LORD that you speak."

Jesus is a great prophet doing wonders and speaking in the name of God. Even John the Baptist sent his followers to listen to Jesus and report back to him. John's question was: "Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?" (Luke 7:19) The time for the full revelation of Jesus' person and his mission is yet to come.

For all these people, at this point in time,

### For today's Mass

#### Responsorial Psalm

I will praise you, Lord,  
you have rescued me.

#### Gospel Acclamation

May the Father  
of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes  
of our mind,  
so that we can see  
what hope his call  
holds for us.

## THE CHURCH IN CHINA

**Sr Deirdre O'Brien RSCJ**

Volunteer Missionary in  
mainland China for 14 years

**7.30-9.30pm, Monday 13th June**

**The Orchard, Garden Cottage  
Spirituality Centre  
Kilgraston, Bridge of Earn  
PH2 9HN**

Suggested donation - £10 (inc. tea/coffee)

To book- please call 01738 813618

## AROUND PERTH

**Sunday Mass in  
St Mary Magdalene's, Craigie**  
10am - Sunday  
8am - Weekdays  
(except Wednesday)  
7am - Wednesday

**Sunday Mass in  
Our Lady of Lourdes, Letham**  
5.30pm (vigil); 11am

**Sunday Mass in  
St Mary's, Kinnoull**  
10am

**Sunday Mass in St John's**  
6.30pm (vigil); 9am; 11am & 6.30pm

## PRAYERS

Please pray for the repose of the  
soul of  
Mary Gallagher  
and the souls of all the faithful  
departed whose  
anniversaries occur at this time.

**Eternal rest grant  
unto their souls, O Lord.  
May they rest in peace. Amen.**

## FEASTDAYS THIS WEEK

**Monday 6th June**  
St Norbert

**Wednesday 1st June**  
St Justin

**Thursday 8th June**  
St Columba  
*Patron of Dunkeld*

**Saturday 10th June**  
St Barnabas

## Collection

Thank you for your generosity - last Sunday's collection amounted to £388.

## Day for Life Collection

The special collection for the Day for Life raised £100.25 - thank you for your generosity.

## First Communion

Today, in St John's at 1pm, some of our children will receive their First-Holy Communion, together with their class friends from St John's Academy (Primary). We remember them and their families in our prayers.

## Prayer for the Year of Mercy

*Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us to be merciful  
like the heavenly Father,  
and have told us that  
whoever sees you sees Him.  
Show us your face and we will be saved.*

*You are the visible face  
of the invisible Father,  
of the God who manifests his power  
above all by forgiveness and mercy:  
let the Church be your visible face  
in the world,  
its Lord risen and glorified.*

*Send your Spirit and consecrate  
every one of us with its anointing,  
so that the Jubilee of Mercy  
may be a year of grace from the Lord,  
and your Church, with renewed enthusi-  
asm,  
may bring good news to the poor,  
proclaim liberty to captives  
and the oppressed,  
and restore sight to the blind.*

*We ask this through the intercession  
of Mary, Mother of Mercy,  
you who live and reign  
with the Father and the Holy Spirit  
for ever and ever.  
Amen.*

## Justice and Peace

*Our action is to be di-  
rected above all at those  
people and nations which  
because of various forms  
of oppression and because  
of the present character  
of our society are silent,  
indeed voiceless, victims  
of injustice.*

**Justice in the World 20**

## Pilgrimage in honour of St Margaret

On Sunday 12th June there will be a National Pilgrimage to the Shrine of St Margaret in Dunfermline:

\* 10am onwards: Pilgrims can explore the numerous holy sites associated with St Margaret throughout Dunfermline using the Pilgrim Guide Booklet. Stewards will be on hand to assist.

\* 3pm: Pilgrims will gather at the gates of Pittencrieff Park for the grand procession of St Margaret's relics through the town led by the Dunfermline District & Scottish Transport Regiment Pipe Band.

\* 4pm: Holy Mass will be offered by His Grace Archbishop Leo Cushley at St Margaret's Memorial Church followed by individual and family blessings with the relic.

**ARE YOU GOING TO BE IN HOSPITAL? DO YOU KNOW OF SOMEONE WHO IS IN HOSPITAL?**

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Hospital \_\_\_\_\_ Ward \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete/ tear off and hand it to Mgr Hendry after Mass