

# 25 June 2020



**Hi Everyone,** Welcome to the fifth 'The Messenger'. Last Saturday should have been the annual 'It's a Knockout' weekend for youth groups across the diocese run by BCYS. This summer it has had to be cancelled so it's a Knockout @ Home is taking place. 45 Tasks have been suggested on the website. Some are fun and silly, others are creative. You could try them with your brothers, sisters or friends even if you are not taking part in the BCYS competition. If you put BCYS.its a knockout @ home into your browser you will be able to see the suggested tasks. Have fun.

Please feel free to pass it on to anyone who you think might be interested. Do you have any ideas or suggestions about what you would like to see in future editions?

**Frantic Fair Quiz** From the clues are you able to identify the following things you might find at a school, fair, a theme park or a fun fair? Good luck. Answers at the end of the newsletter.

1. Sca	ry ride?	/
2. Old	time anaesthetic?	/-/
3. Go (	down in a hurry?	/
4. Bum	np or be bumped	
5. Sea	rching for gold?	//
6. Lon	g John Silver's boat in the sky?	///
7. A tin	nid fruit?	/
8. Run	on the wood?	/
9. Get	dizzy on a horse?	
10. Are	these the ways you see yourself?	/

**The Challenge: Summer of Hope** is CAFOD's drive to provide clean water and food to those who desperately need it.

CAFOD is the official aid agency of the Catholic Church in England and Wales. It reaches out to people across the world, whatever their religion or culture.

This summer, like never before, we are called to be signs of hope for our world. Many families still have to ask, "How do I keep my child safe if we don't have water for hand washing?" It costs only £6 for a hygiene pack containing soap, washing powder and re-usable face masks.

**Your challenge** is to recreate at home, with your family and friends, the events that will not happen this summer and transforming them into a sign of hope through raising money for CAFOD's Coronavirus Appeal.

CAFOD have made these suggestions but I am sure you will have ideas of your own.

- School sports day cancelled? <u>Hold one in your back garden!</u> Be sponsored to do your daily walk with an egg and spoon!
- Summer fair postponed? Play 'guess the sweets in the jar' or 'treasure hunt' online!
- Missing out on a summer BBQ? Get together on Zoom and charge for cooking tips!
- Missing the Olympics? Walk, cycle, jump, run an Olympic distance and be sponsored

It's not necessary to raise lots of money as penny helps. The money you have raised can be donated online go to Cafod.org.uk.

### Saint of the Week Feast Day – June 29th



- St Peter and his brother, Andrew, were fishermen on Lake Tiberius
- The brothers met Jesus there and were so affected they immediately became followers of Jesus
- In the Gospels St Peter is shown as impetuous and out spoken. Although he claimed he would never disown Jesus, he did deny him three times
- Despite his failings St Peter was the leader of the Apostles and became the first Bishop of Rome
- St Peter was martyred for his belief in Jesus. He was crucified upside down because he said he was unwilling to die in the same manner as his Lord
- St Peter is the patron saint of those who fish and locksmiths

St Peter pray for us

Invitation: Again 2 invitations this week.

### 1. Universalis.com

Have you been watching Mass through live streaming? I am not sure why but I am finding it harder to listen carefully to the readings at Mass when it is on a screen than when being in church. What I have found helpful is following the readings on line.

Universalis give the readings and the responsorial psalm for each day and it is for free. Try it out on universalis.com/mass.htm. Let us know what you think.

# 2. Geocaching

Do you enjoy a treasure hunt? Have you heard of geocaching? This is a treasure hunting game where you use a GPS to direct you to a destination where you will seek a 'cache'.

What actually happens? Once you have downloaded the Official G eocaching app and identify where you want to do your seeking then a specific set of GPS coordinates appear on your phone or tablet. Distances are given. Once you have navigated to the general area identified you start looking for the hidden 'cache'. The 'cache' is a container, often a small box. Inside there is a piece of paper on which you are invited to add your name and the date. You can see when the 'cache' was last found.

There are 'caches' in Stourbridge and also further afield. In fact they are all over the world. It is fun going to places you have not been to before and then looking for and finding the 'caches'. Go to: <u>www.geocaching.com</u> and see where it takes you.

### Prayer:

Dear Jesus, We pray for the grace to trust in God's way.

St Peter made many mistakes but was and continued to be a friend of Jesus. May St Peter be an example for us of God's continuing love especially during this uncertain time.

May Christ always be the light to guide us. Amen

We hope you enjoyed The Messenger this week. If you have comments or ideas for future editions please get in touch or ask you parents/carers to get in touch via Sarah by emailing <u>olas.stourbridge@rcaob.org.uk</u>

### God bless, Sarah, Marie, Kathryn and Cathy

### Answers:

- 1. Ghost Train6. Flying Pirate Ship
- 2. It's a Knockout 7. Coconut Shy
- 3. Helter Skelter 8. Log Flume
- 4. Dodgems 9. Carousel
- 5. Treasure Hunt 10. Hall of Mirrors