

The Good Shepherd Church
Sunday 16 October 2022
HOLY MASS ON THE VISITATION OF THE PILGRIM STATUE OF THE IMMACULATE HEART OF
MARY
AND RELICS OF SAINTS JACINTA & FRANCISCO MARTO
Principal celebrant: Bishop Patrick McKinney and Canon Philipp Ziomek



The two children were solemnly canonised by Pope Francis at the Sanctuary of Our Lady of Fatima, in Portugal on 13 May 2017, the centennial of the first Apparition of Our Lady of Fatima. Francisco and Jacinta are the first child saints who are not martyrs in the history of the Church. They were raised to sainthood not simply because they saw Our Lady, but also because they generously and unfalteringly responded to her call to prayer, penance, and reparation.

Sister Angela of Fatima Coelho, postulator for the cause of canonisation for Francisco and Jacinta, said that the apparitions moved the children not to be traumatised, but to do something to alleviate the sufferings of others, and to console the heart of God. She said they were “children with a great sense of salvation history” and they knew that “with sacrifices they could change history”

Both Jacinta and Francisco contracted the Spanish flu virus that had spread throughout Europe in 1918. Both died within three years of Our Lady’s last apparition on October 13, 1917, after having offered up their little lives for the conversion of sinners.

St Pope John Paul II on the beatification of Francisco and Jacinta, 13 May 2000, said:

“Father, to You I offer praise, for You have revealed these things to the merest children”. Today Jesus’ praise takes the solemn form of the beatification of the little shepherds, Francisco and Jacinta. With this rite the Church wishes to put on the candelabrum these two candles which God lit to illumine humanity in its dark and anxious hours. Father, to You I offer praise for all Your children, from the Virgin Mary, Your humble Servant, to the little shepherds, Francisco and Jacinta. May the message of their lives live on forever to light humanity’s way”

All STAND and wave white hankies to welcome Our Lady as the procession enters the church

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: THE FATIMA AVE

The thirteenth of May
In the Cova d'Iria
Appeared, Oh so brilliant,
The Virgin Maria.

Ref: Ave, Ave, Ave Maria (2X)

The Virgin Maria
Encircled with light,
Our own dearest Mother
And heaven's delight. **Ref.**

To three little shepherds
Our Lady appeared
The light of her grace
To her Son soul's endeared. **Ref.**

With war and its evils
The whole world was seething
And countless of thousands
Were mourning and weeping. **Ref.**

To save all poor souls
Who had wandered astray,
With sweet words of comfort
She asked us to pray. **Ref.**

By honouring Mary
And loving her Son
The peace of the world
Will most surely be won. **Ref.**

PRAYER FOR THE CROWNING

P: Dear Mother Mary, at Fatima you told Servant of God Sr Lucia, Saints Francisco and Jacinta that "God wishes to establish devotion to my Immaculate Heart in the world" in order to save souls.

Dear Mother, we want to help you bring the world back to God. Today, we ask you to draw us to Jesus truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, to pray for our priests, our families, our country, and the salvation of the whole world.

So today, as a sign of our petition and of our promise to help you bring the world back to God, we crown this beautiful image of you, with the title of Our Lady of Fatima, Queen of the Most Holy Rosary.

The priest incenses the statue

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.

Peace be with you.

And with your spirit.

Brothers and sisters, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

I confess to almighty God, and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life. **Amen.**

The KYRIE is sung by cantors

The GLORIA is sung by cantors

The Bishop: Let us pray.

At the end of the Collect all respond:

... God for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All SIT

LITURGY OF THE WORD

The FIRST READING is taken from the book of Exodus (17: 8-13)

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

The RESPONSORIAL is taken from Psalm 120

Our help is in the name of the Lord who made heaven and earth.

The SECOND READING is taken from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy (3:14-4;2)

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

All STAND and join in singing the Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

All STAND FOR THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT LUKE (18:1-8)

.... This is the Gospel of the Lord. **Praise be to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**

All SIT for the homily, preached by Bishop Patrick

THE UNIVERSAL PRAYER

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

All remain SITTING as the altar is prepared

Offertory hymn: "Hail Queen of Heaven" (Hymnal 238)

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the bread we offer you: fruit of the earth and work of human hands, it will become for us the bread of life.

Blessed be God forever.

Blessed are you, Lord God of all creation, for through your goodness we have received the wine we offer you: fruit of the vine and work of human hands, it will become our spiritual drink. **Blessed be God forever.**

All STAND

Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands, for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

The Bishop prays the Prayer over the Offerings

... for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The preface begins:

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

Lift up your hearts.

We lift them up to the Lord.

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

It is right and just.

At the end of the preface all sing the SANCTUS

All KNEEL for the Eucharistic Prayer, the central part of the Mass

During the Prayer we sing the acclamation:

The Mystery of Faith:

We proclaim your Death, O Lord and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

At the end of the Prayer, we affirm our belief:

Through him, and with him, and in him, O God, almighty Father, in the unity of the Holy Spirit, all glory and honour is yours, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

All STAND

At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

Our Father, who art in heaven,

hallowed be thy name;

thy kingdom come,

thy will be done

on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread,

and forgive us our trespasses,

as we forgive those who trespass against us;

and lead us not into temptation,

but deliver us from evil.

... and the coming of our Saviour, Jesus Christ.

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever

... who live and reign for ever and ever. **Amen.**

The peace of the Lord be with you always.

And with your spirit.

The choir sings the AGNUS DEI.

All KNEEL

Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

During Holy Communion all pray the Communion Antiphon:

Behold the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

The choir sing:

MOTET: AVE MARIA. EDWARD ELGAR.

After Holy Communion has been distributed, all STAND for the Prayer after Communion. At the end we respond:

.... Through Christ Our Lord. **Amen.**

The Bishop gives the Blessing.

The Lord be with you.

And with your spirit.

May almighty God bless you, The Father, + and the Son, + and the Holy Spirit, +
Amen.

Go and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

VENERATION OF THE HOLY RELICS OF SAINTS FRANCISCO AND JACINTA

We sing the hymn IMMACULATE MARY (Hymnal 300) as individuals process up to touch the relics

