

**SECOND SUNDAY
OF EASTER
(LOW SUNDAY)**



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Eastertide Eucharistic acclamation: **KEEP IN MIND THAT JESUS CHRIST HAS DIED FOR US AND IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD. HE IS OUR SAVING LORD. HE IS JOY FOR ALL AGES.**

Today's Scripture Readings: Parish Mass Book pp. 255-8 Prf 1 p.60 Euch.Prayer 2 p.25

Acts 4:32-5: A (possibly idealised) description of the life of the first Christian community in Jerusalem. Acts is written by Luke who, in his Gospel, frequently points to the dangers of wealth.

1 John 5:1-6 Faith in Jesus overcomes the "world". The water and blood which flowed from his side represent for John the blood of Jesus' redemptive sacrifice and the water of our baptism.

John 20: 19-31: this Gospel reminds us that the crucifixion, resurrection and giving of the Holy Spirit are all part of

OUR ORGANIST today is Professor Malcolm McLeod.

EASTER FLOWERS: A big thank you to the flower arrangers and to all who have contributed money.

WEEKDAY MASS Monday 9.30 (Solemnity of the Annunciation) in English, in the Priest's House. **Not on Friday.**

ANGELA CRANMORE is confined to home while she undergoes chemo-therapy. Please do not visit, but for cards etc her postal address is 23 Lower Chase Road, Malvern. WR14 2BX

I am the Great Sun (from a Normandy crucifix of 1632)

I am the great sun but you do not see me, I am your husband, but you turn away.

I am the captive, but you do not free me, I am the captain but you will not obey.

I am the truth, but you will not believe me, I am the city where you will not stay.

I am your wife, your child, but you will leave me, I am that God to whom you will not pray.

I am your counsel, but you will not hear me, I am your lover whom you will betray.

I am the victor, but you do not cheer me, I am the holy dove whom you will slay.

I am your life, but if you will not name me, Seal up your soul with tears, and never blame me.

Charles Causley (1917-2003)

(copied from an article by Cathy Galvin in last week-end's Tablet: "a searing contemplation inspired by a crucifix hanging in a Normandy church. In 14 lines, Causley conjures Jesus on the Cross, in his divinity, humanity and pain. The poem carries the immensity of crucifixion, of facing the truth of God and our own lives...")

Pray for Arthur Thurlow, Peter Kay, Cardinal Cormac Murphy O'Connor, Maureen Flaux, Clare Murphy, Cedric Cooper, Stella Griffiths, Anthony Walsh, Molly Thurlow, who died recently, for Raymond Turner, Angela Cranmore and Christopher Kouwen, who are awaiting surgery, for Fr John Pitchford who is recovering, for Pat Higgins, Dorothy Tennant, Nicholas Ratcliff, Les Miller and Norah Lawley who are housebound.