## **ANNOUNCEMENTS for the Sixth Sunday of Easter**

Good morning and welcome to our guests and visitors. If you miss any of the following, these announcements will be posted in our WhatsApp and Facebook groups and on the English community website. We have these announcements:

- 1. To assist the parish, we ask that if you do not choose to take any of the handouts home with you (*and it is fine if you do take them home!*), please take a moment to return them to the entrances and hand them to one of the greeters when you leave. Your cooperation is appreciated!
- 2. This English Mass will change its regular start time next week to 10:15 AM. This is a permanent change.
- 3. On Monday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, as it is the last Monday of the month, there will be a Portuguese mass at Santo António.
- 4. On Friday, May 30<sup>th</sup>, there will be a Portuguese Mass at the Misericórdia Church at 10:00 AM in honor of Nossa Senhora da Misericórdia (Our Lady of Mercy).
- 5. Also, the following day, Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup> at 9:00 PM, there is Fado music in honor of Nossa Senhora (Our Lady) at Igreja da Misericórdia.
- 6. Next Sunday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, the parish will have the jubilee pilgrimage to Faro Cathedral. If you are planning to go, please see the note at the end of the published version of these announcements. The registration fee is 20 euros, which includes lunch, a tip for the driver, and other small expenses. The event is in Portuguese. (There will be the normal English Mass here at Santiago at 10:15 AM).
- 7. Also, next Sunday, a collection for the bazaar on the Feast of Santo António will begin. The feast will be celebrated on June 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 PM at Igreja de Santo António. Anyone who has things they would like to offer for the bazaar can leave them here at this church.
- 8. On Monday, June 2<sup>nd</sup>, the English community will have another "quiz night" at The Black Anchor Pub beginning at 5:00 PM. This is to raise money to assist the youth in this parish in their pilgrimage to Rome this summer, as part of the Jubilee year in the global church. *Reservations with Joy at the Black Anchor are suggested, even if you choose not to join a team for the quiz.* These events are open to the public. Your support is appreciated and please check the WhatsApp group or contact Sharon Ward for additional information. The first quiz night, last Monday, raised 770 euros for the youth.

- 9. On June 7<sup>th</sup>, at 9:30 AM, here at Church of Santiago, we will have confessions for those who are going to make their profession of faith or who are going to be confirmed on June 8<sup>th</sup>. On June 14<sup>th</sup>, there will be confessions for those receiving their first communion on the 19<sup>th</sup>, and those being confirmed on the 15<sup>th</sup>.
- 10. If you would like to learn more about Catholicism or become a Catholic with English language instruction, please send a message to Rob de Santos via WhatsApp. Please note that Rob is away during the month of June.
- 11. Please leave the church today promptly and quietly as there is a Portuguese Mass immediately following. Thank you.
- 12. Please note there are additional announcements on the second page of the PDF of the readings for today that have been posted online.
- 13. Note regarding the Pilgrimage to Far next Sunday: If you are going by bus, try to be ready near the municipal swimming pool by 9:00 AM. At 10:30 AM, we should all be at the Igreja do São Francisco in Faro. We will have a time of prayer there and then we will go on a pilgrimage to the Cathedral, where we will have the Eucharist at 12 Noon. This will be followed by lunch at the seminary, after which we will head to the Mãe Soberana (Sovereign Mother) in Loulé, where we will end our pilgrimage by praying the rosary. We should be back in Tavira by 6:30 PM.