



Newsletter

5th June, 2022

PENTECOST SUNDAY

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In the Jewish calendar the Feast of Weeks comes fifty days after the Feast of the Passover. It was at the time of this feast that, according to today's first reading in the Acts of the Apostles, the disciples gathered and received the Holy Spirit. Today, fifty days after Easter we remember that event. It marks the fulfilment of Jesus promise to the disciples to send them the Spirit and the end of our celebration of the season of Easter. The period of fifty days gives us the word Pentecost.

We have several ideas of the Holy Spirit in today's readings. One is a word Jesus uses in the word Advocate. The idea is taken from a court of law. The image of the law court is one we find a number of times in scripture. Sometimes Satan is portrayed as a prosecutor arguing against us. In contrast the Holy Spirit is the one who pleads our cause, the one who is on our side.

The Spirit is also frees us from fear, as St Paul says, and turns us outward. The disciples, whom we have seen bewildered and fearful, now go out and proclaim the Gospel. The Acts of the Apostles show them going out fearlessly, despite the obstacles and persecution they experience.



Let us ask for the Holy Spirit to be in our hearts, bringing us together, sending us out to proclaim the Good News and overcoming the division between peoples.



Most of the Covid 19 restrictions have now been removed but you are encouraged to continue to use face coverings, sanitizer, and social distancing when in the church.



Metanoia Project's **Drop In for the homeless** is looking for volunteers. The Drop In runs 6.30 -8pm every Wednesday evening in St Wilfrid's Church.

The volunteers assist in setting up and tidying away the space, providing refreshments, assigning the needed clothing or toiletries, as well as spending time listening and talking with the people, so they are reminded of and have an experience of God's love and mercy. If this sounds like a role you would like to give your time to or you would like any more information, please ring Jen 07957566741 or email jen@metanoiaproject.co.uk.

We are asked to pray the **Anima Christi** during this year of the 500th anniversary of St. Ignatius' death.

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O Good Jesus, hear me.

Within your wounds hide me.

Permit me not to be separated from you.

From the wicked foe, defend me.

**At the hour of my death, call me
and bid me come to you**

**That with your saints I may praise you
For ever and ever. Amen.**

Eucharistic



Adoration

**With the Jesuit Community
for Jesuit Vocations**

every Monday

11:30 -12noon



An evening of prayer
& praise, through
music, scripture, talk
& Adoration.

Please do join us @ 7.30 pm on
Fridays 10th and 24th June .

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS



There will be a session of formation for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on **Monday 6th June at 7pm**. All are invited to attend prior to commissioning later in June.

PARISH LECTORS

All new lectors and those who were unable to make the March session are invited to attend a session of formation on **Monday 27th June** at 7pm.

For those who wish to be commissioned as Lectors for the Parish, we ask attendance at one session



LECTORS

The
Word
of God



SUNDAY OBLIGATION

After Covid, the bishops have now reinstated the obligation to attend Mass in person on Sundays and holidays of obligation. However, as has always been the case, you are not expected to attend Mass if you are sick and

especially if you have Covid symptoms and might pass it on to others.



If you haven't already done so please collect your red box from the sacristy.

LITTLE CHURCH

ALL children welcome during 10.15am Mass.

Ascent Group at normally meet at **11 am on Thursdays.**



Coffee from 10.45am. New members most welcome.



Megan Knowles, the Communications and Development Manager for the Jesuit Refugee Service UK will be at Masses the weekend of 18th—19th June for our annual JRS Appeal.

Prayer for Ukraine

We hold in our hearts the people of Ukraine as they stand in danger. We ask for peace and reconciliation. Conscious that thousands are likely to be uprooted, we pray for those who seek refuge, that they might find welcome and bridges to sanctuary. Amen.

To coincide we will have a **Parish BBQ** after the **10.15 am Mass on Sunday 19th June.**

All are welcome to stay after Mass to enjoy the BBQ, meet Megan and socialise with



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Sun 5	Pentecost Sunday	Acts 2:1-11	(Ps 103)	1 Cor 12:3-7,12-13 John 20:19-23
Mon 6	Mary, Mother of the Church	Gen 3:9-15,20	(Ps 86)	John 19:25-34
Tue 7	Feria	1 Kings 17:7-16	(Ps 4)	Matt 5:13-16
Wed 8	St James Berthieu SJ	1 Kings 18:20-39	(Ps 15)	Matt 5:17-19
Thu 9	Our Lord Jesus, Eternal High Priest	Isaiah 6:1-4,8	(Ps 23)	John 17:1-2,9,14-26
Fri 10	Feria.	1 Kings 19:9,11-16	(Ps 26)	Matt 5:27-32
Sat 11	St Barnabas	Acts 11:21-26:13:1-3	(Ps 97)	Matt 10:7-13

Masses & Confession Times

Saturday

Confessions 11.15am to 12.15pm

Mass 12.15pm

Confessions 5 to 5.30pm

Vigil 5.35pm

Sunday

Masses 7, 10.15am & 4.30pm

Monday to Friday

Confessions 11.50am - 12.10pm

Mass 12.15pm

Monday

Adoration 11.30am-12pm

The church is open daily

Saturday 10-6.15 Sunday 6.45-5.30

Monday, Thursday, Friday 11.30-6.00

Tuesday, Wednesday 11.30-5.30



This weekend we give thanks for the Queen's 70 years on the throne. We will be having a special prayer at the end of all Masses.

YOUR PRAYERS ARE ASKED FOR

those recently dead: Antione Johnrose

(Requiem Mass Wednesday 15th June 12.15pm)

James Sumner (Funeral service Monday 6th June 2pm)

anniversaries: Dorothy Koziarska,

Fr Fred Rigby SJ, Gerald Norman, Pauline Rose

those who are sick: Theresa Wilkinson, Susan

Craft, Barbara Clark, Pauline Wilding, Joyce

Lyons, Margaret Nelson & Simon Osborne



Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network



June's Intention: *For families*

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.

Deaf Community Welcome

British Sign Language signed

Mass 4.30pm Sunday 12

June with Fr Paul Fletcher SJ

Please sit in the front pews.



Signed Mass recordings at www.catholicdeaf.org.uk

Sanctuary Bookshop is now open most **Monday & Fridays** 11.15 to 1.30 with **tea & coffee** after Monday & Friday Mass, also during **Coffee after 10.15 Mass on Sunday**