

CATHOLIC CHURCH OF THE HOLY TRINITY & ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



PENTECOST SUNDAY 20th MAY 2018

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| Sat 19 th | 6.30pm | Theresa Biggins RIP |
| Sun 20 th | 8.30am | Agnes Sian RIP |
| | 10.30am | Francesco Picillo RIP |
| Mon 21 st | 10.00am | |
| Tue 22 nd | 10.00am | Fr. Gerald Young |
| Wed 23 rd | 10.00am 7.30 pm | 'Missionary Parish' workshop <i>in Holy Family room</i> |
| Thu 24 th | 10.00am | Maria Garcia |
| Fri 25 th | No mass | St. Bede the Venerable Friday abstinence |

Please note that mass intentions as set out above may not always be read out, but the intention is offered

Holy Hour: Saturday 5.15 - 6.15 pm

Confessions: Saturday 5.45 - 6.15 pm

Or by appointment with Fr. Denis

Family Mass: 1st Sunday 10.30 am

Latin Mass: 1st Sunday 3.00 pm
(extraordinary form)

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and

Parish Day of Prayer: 1st Wednesday 10.30 to 6.30pm

Children's liturgy: There will now be a regular 'family mass' on the first Sunday of every month. Children's liturgy will be held weekly at the 10.30 Sunday Mass.

Please remember in your prayers:



We pray especially for the sick of the parish and for those who care for and support them, especially, Ann Leech, Mick Balls. We remember those who have died recently: especially **Fr. Pat Sammon** former parish of Holy Trinity Baldock who died this week. And those anniversaries occur about this time. Theresa Biggins, Michael Harrington, Eileen Heffernan, Olindo Lanni, Anthony Callaghan, Freda Worbey, Annie Heaney, Patrick Kilbride, Margaret Tschulik and Ann Murphy.

Readings: Parish Mass Book Page 286

THE FEAST OF PENTECOST

The word Pentecost meaning fiftieth day was the name given to the Feast of Weeks in the Jewish calendar because it fell on the fiftieth day after Passover. In the Christian tradition it was applied to the feast of the descent of the Holy Spirit because this event is portrayed as occurring fifty days after the Resurrection on Easter Sunday. After Easter it has been described as the second festival of the Church. Pentecost Sunday marks the close of Eastertide, and culminates in Jesus' sending of the Spirit of the father and the Son on his disciples. We are not dealing here merely with the separate historical incidents but with one reality - the extraordinary intervention of God into our lives by what we can only call the "mystery" of Christ. And today's feast indicates that it is an on-going reality which still touches our lives every single day.

The Holy Spirit is given to us all in baptism and confirmation but we need to undergo a constant renewal, a conversion of heart every day to work with that same Spirit who calls us into a union of life with the Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Fr Patrick Sammon RIP

I must inform you of the sad news of the death of Fr Patrick Sammon. Fr Pat died peacefully Tuesday evening, 15 May at St Mary's Hospital, Paddington. He has been living at Nazareth House, Hammersmith. Born in April 1948 in County Clare, Ireland and Ordained in May 1978, Fr Pat was 70 years of age and a Priest of the Diocese of Westminster for 40 years. We pray in thanksgiving for his life and ministry, especially for his service here at our parish of Baldock, from 1997-2000, and we pray that the Lord whom he knew and served will be merciful to him and grant him eternal rest.

May he rest in peace.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

AN INTRODUCTION TO THE NEW

EVANGELISATION We welcome Deacon Adrian Cullen to speak to us about setting up a Parish Evangelisation team on **Wednesday 23rd May 7.30 - 9.15**. Through a workshop format, participants will be encouraged to share ideas and hear about successful evangelising experiences. The evening will help in the setting up of a parish team to plan and develop local evangelisation strategies to grow into a 'Missionary Parish'. Please come along to the parish rooms if you are interested in responding to Pope Francis' call for 'missionary parishes' to be set up.

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01438 285518,

For all general parish enquiries contact:

Parish Office: Tel:
01462 893127

Church Hall Hire:
Please contact parish office 01462 893127

Baptism Preparation:

For further information please contact Richard and Marie Miller Tel: 01462 490630.

RCIA Course: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults programme consists of regular weekly meetings. If you would like to find out more please speak directly to Fr Denis.

St. John's School is our Catholic Parish Primary School. Parish families are welcome to visit and have a tour of the school. Please come to the School Office or contact the Head teacher, Ms Alex Hanou on 01462 892478 The school website is www.stjohns4.herts.sch.uk

Newsletter: Please submit items for inclusion, preferably by Tuesday evening, by either emailing the dedicated newsletter email address (baldock.rcc@ntlworld.com) or handing them to Fr. Denis. Thank you

VATICAN NEWS

Remember that you can keep up with all the latest news from The Vatican at the Official Vatican Network

www.news.va/en.

Your Safeguarding Representative is Tom Keating 07909892178 The Safeguarding Representative has special responsibility for promoting good and safe practices in all activities involving children, young people and adults at risk.

Baldock Catholic Scout Group

For boys and girls aged 6 to 14. Contact: enquiries@2ndbaldockscouts.org.uk

YOUNG@

Our next coffee morning will be on Thursday 24th May April after the [10am](#) mass. The sacrament for the sick will be administered during the Mass. We provide the tea/coffee & cakes all you have to provide is the chat!! All cake donations very welcome.

FIRST COMMUNION MASSES DATES

9th June: 11am & 2pm

EXTRA- ORDINARY EUCHARIST MINISTERS' DAY

16th June 10am - 12.30pm finishing with lunch.

Please sign up for lunch if you are able to attend.

.RCIA 2018 - 2019

Are you an adult non-Catholic interested in exploring what Christianity and the Catholic faith are about? Are you thinking of becoming a Catholic? If your answer is yes, then the Holy Trinity RCIA programme (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) may be for you. It consists of regular weekly meetings, which begin on **12th June at 7.30 in the Holy Family room**; if you would like to find out more please speak directly to Fr. Denis or phone the parish office on 01462 893127.

Alternatively, contact your local parish priest as most parishes run a RCIA course.

OUR ANNUAL OPEN-AIR MASS & PARISH BARBECUE

8th July 10.30am:

it is planned to celebrate mass in the open air here in the garden, at 10.30, followed by a parish barbecue. THIS WILL BE THE ONLY MASS THAT WEEKEND. This is always a great way to catch up with old friends old and meet some new ones - so put it in your diary folks!

CAR TREASURE HUNT

The Treasure Hunt which took place on Bank Holiday Monday was a great success,

raising £160 towards the new flooring for the church. The winners were the Sharps & Gilberts who kindly donated their prize to the Baldock Festival fund. A BIG THANKYOU to Frankie and Martin Gratte for their expertise in designing the course.

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

Spirit of wisdom and understanding, enlighten our minds to perceive the mysteries of the universe in relation to eternity.

Spirit of right judgment and courage, guide us and make us firm in our baptismal decision to follow Jesus' way of love.

Spirit of knowledge and reverence, help us to see the lasting value of justice and mercy in our everyday dealings with one another.

May we respect life as we work to solve problems of family and nation, economy and ecology.

Spirit of God, spark our faith, hope and love into new action each day.

Fill our lives with wonder and awe in your presence which penetrates all creation.

Amen.

ST BEDE THE VENERABLE (from Catholic Online)

At the tender age of 3 Bede was sent to the nearby monastery of St. Peter & St. Paul at Wearmouth, Jarrow where he was educated by Abbots Benedict Biscop and Ceolfrid. He became a monk at the monastery, was ordained when he was 30, and except for a few brief visits elsewhere, spent all of his life in the monastery, devoting himself to the study of scripture and to teaching and writing. He is considered to be one of the most learned men of his time and a major influence on English literature. His writings are a veritable summary of the learning of his time and include commentaries on the Pentateuch and various other books of the Bible, theological and scientific treatises, historical works, and biographies. His best-known work is *HISTORIA ECCLESIASTICA*, a history of the English Church and people, which he completed in 731. It is an account of Christianity in England up to 729 and is a primary source of early English history. Bede was called "the Venerable" to acknowledge his wisdom and learning & the title was formalized at the Council of Aachen in 853. He was a careful scholar and distinguished stylist, the "father" of English history, the first to date events 'anno domini' (A.D.), and in 1899, was declared the only English 'doctor' of the Church. He died on May 25th in 735 at Wearmouth, Jarrow; his remarkable life and work continue to be remembered on this day.

COLLECTION UPDATE

Collection for Sunday: Envelopes £294.60

Loose Plate £239.93 World Communications day second collection £178.15

Thank you for your continuing generosity.