

# Pentecost Sunday

## Sunday 31

### Pentecost Sunday

Parish & People  
Kay Dooner +  
Thanksgiving Mass  
Celia Fernando +  
Andrew Corden ann +

## Monday 1

### Mary, Mother of the Church

Pat Foley +

## Tuesday 2

### Ss Marcellinus & Peter

Bill Foley +  
Joan Whyte +

## Wednesday 3

### St Charles Lwanga & Comps

No Mass

## Thursday 4

### Our Lord Jesus Christ the Eternal High Priest

Dan Bergin +

## Friday 5

### St Boniface

Thomas McCann +

## Saturday 6

Parishioners (thanksgiving)

## Sunday 7

### The Most Holy Trinity

Fred Benson +  
Neville Fernando +  
Bernadette Auriede +  
Mary Ita Fitzsimons +  
Parish & People

### For your prayers

**Parish Community**  
Sick & Housebound  
**Recently Departed**  
RCIA Catechumens  
**Confirmands**  
Marriage Couples  
**Young people & teachers**  
NHS & Key Workers  
**Coronavirus Recovery**

“On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, ‘Peace be with you.’ When he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord”.

Just as Jesus was anointed with the Spirit at the beginning of his ministry, so the disciples needed the anointing of the Holy Spirit to carry out the mission entrusted to them by Christ. The Holy Spirit is given to all who are baptised into Jesus Christ to enable us to live a new way of life - a life of love, peace, joy, and righteousness (Romans 14:17). The Holy Spirit fills our hearts with the love of God (Romans 5:7), and he gives us the strength and courage we need in order to live as faith-filled disciples of the Lord Jesus. The Spirit helps us in our weakness (Romans 8:26), and enables us to grow in spiritual freedom - freedom from doubt, fear, and from slavery to our unruly desires (2 Corinthians 3:17; Romans 8:21). Isaiah foretold the seven-fold gifts that the Spirit would give: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord (Isaiah 11:2). The gift of Pentecost - the outpouring of the Holy Spirit, and the spiritual gifts and blessings of God - are made possible through the death, resurrection, and ascension of the Lord Jesus Christ.

As a Parish community we will soon be entering a season of ‘recovery’- recovering from fear, isolation and displacement – and we will all need the help of the Spirit in a new and deeper way. **Fr John**

St Basil the Great (329-379 AD), an early church father, explains the role of the Holy Spirit in our lives: “The Spirit restores paradise to us and the way to heaven and adoption as children of God; he instills confidence that we may call God truly Father and grants us the grace of Christ to be children of the light and to enjoy eternal glory.

### Holy Spirit Encounter Course

*For our dear parishioners who are not online,  
please read the following so you are still part of our parish journey in faith.*

### The Spirit and the Desert

*‘[Jesus] was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days,  
to be tempted by the devil.’ Luke 4:1*

On the day Jesus was baptised, the Holy Spirit anointed him. Immediately after this event the Holy Spirit led Jesus to the desert. The desert was a place of isolation, death and defeat but Jesus was led to the desert so that it may be forever changed. So that it may be a place of grace. The Spirit led Jesus to the desert and also protected and cared for him while he was there. The desert is a part of every Christian’s life but it does not have to be a place of despair or isolation. The Holy Spirit is present to life’s deserts and when we experience his presence it changes our spiritual life. The desert is no longer a place to be feared but can be a profound encounter with Jesus.

# NOTICES

## MASS IS STREAMED LIVE

go to: [parish.rcdow.org.uk/barnet](http://parish.rcdow.org.uk/barnet)

### MON

**6.30pm** MASS

*(rosary & evening prayer said privately)*

### TUES to SUN

*(except Weds)*

**9.30am** Morning Prayer

**10.00am** MASS

**10.30am** Praying of the Rosary

**6.30pm** Evening Prayer

## PARISH LIFE - ANOTHER UPDATE

In just a week, plans change!

We have a lot to put in place to enable us to open our church doors once more and we want to do this as soon as we get notification from our local Bishop. Therefore, I thought it was wise to **not furlough Janet** who is able to assist me with the plans going forward.

We are awaiting the necessary materials to ensure safety, hygiene and social distancing is in place in our church by Diocesan requirements. Thank you for your patience and understanding with this. Volunteers will be approached to assist with this.

We shall need Stewards on a daily basis once the doors are open. **We regret no one over the age of 70 will be allowed to steward.** To share the load, we plan to do a rota. If you are aged between 18-69 years, not showing any COVID 19 symptoms and free to help, please email Janet on [barnet@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:barnet@rcdow.org.uk) Any questions before you volunteer can be emailed to Fr John or Janet.

Let us continue to be together in spiritual communion and please pray for our parish, our community and for each other. God Bless. Fr John

**Please remember in your prayers our Young People in Year 10 who would have been making their Confirmation on the 10th June:**

Cecilia Agoro, Tarami Awosile, Lily Butler, Lucy Caulfield, Carl Coker, Mekhi Hall, Mic Harindran, Tony Kandlakunta, Muna Kema, Beverley Madzimure, Mara McNally, Noah Morrison, Keanu Naidoo, Oskaris Petronis, Ronnie Read, Julia Reeve, Thomas Rodrigues, Charlotte Smithers, Ewurabena Stanislas, Michael Tuohy-Farmer and their families.



We will pray for you by name at the 10am Mass next Sunday (*The Most Holy Trinity Sunday*). We will let you know as soon as we hear from the Bishops of the rescheduled date.



**During the time of receiving Communion: you may wish to say the Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer:**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

**Please remember in your prayers the sick, their families and all who care for them, including:** Emanuele & Carlotta Brunelli, Linda Atkinson, Pat Cosgrove, Irene Jones, Ivor Francis, Maria Wallace, Mariella Mansi, Anne Marie Nowell, Liam Kinsella, Margaret Greaney, Maurice Hunt, Ben Price, Rob Calrow, Amparo Abalos, Linda Quilter, Stasia Gallagher, Suzanne Greig, Marina Melinta, Roberto Lusignani, Leonor Driscoll, Anne McLoughlin, Melanie Farrell, Delia Ward, John Lever, Jeanette Fernandes, Aishleen Sheeran, Elaine Brennan, Sarah Macdonald, Julie Loh, Veronica Soosay, George Buhagiar, Mark O'Brien, Margaret Bailey, Marlene Hollocks, Fr Antony Conlon, Christine East, Kathleen Flynn, Margaret Dixon.

**Those who have recently departed and their families:** Frances Lynch (*wife of Colin Lynch*)

### *Pentecost Sequence*

*Let us pray:*

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light, from the clear celestial height. Thy pure beaming radiance give. Come, thou Father of the poor, come, with treasures which endure; come, thou Light of all that live! Thou, of all consolers best, thou, the soul's delightful guest, dost refreshing peace bestow. Thou in toil art comfort sweet; pleasant coolness in the heat; solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine, visit thou these hearts of thine, and our inmost being fill. If thou take thy grace away, nothing pure in man will stay; all his good is turned to ill. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; on our dryness pour thy dew, wash the stains of guilt away. Bend the stubborn heart and will; melt the frozen, warm the chill; guide the steps that go astray. Thou, on us who evermore, thee confess and thee adore, with thy sevenfold gifts descend. Give us comfort when we die; give us life with thee on high; give us joys that never end. Amen



**Children's Liturgy of the Word:** I pray many families are joining us for the live-streamed Mass on Sundays at 10am.

**Please find below the newsletter** this Sunday's liturgy for our young children to do. It is designed for 'KS1 and KS2' children.

### **WE NEED YOUR HELP PLEASE! OFFERTORY ENVELOPES / DONATIONS TO THE PARISH**

**Thank you** to the many parishioners who have kindly continued their financial offering for the parish. Without the means of the Sunday collections coming in, we are suffering financially. We desperately need your help please. Some of you may not wish to set up your payments electronically and/or have had problems doing this - if this applies to you, we are still banking parish money each week so you could post your offering through the presbytery door or put a cheque in the post (*made payable to Mary Immaculate & St Gregory the Great*) please make sure you let us have your envelope no if this applies. If you are fortunate to set up your donation online - our bank account details are: HSBC Bank plc. **Account:** 31266276. **Sort code:** 40-05-20

**Barnet Foodbank:** is available for any donations you may have. Sadly our doors are closed but they are open for donations at Mary Immaculate & St Peter's Church, 63 Somerset Road, New Barnet, EN5 1RF. They are in need of non-perishable goods but desperate for tinned potatoes, tinned meat and rice. **Their doors are open: Mon 7.30pm-8.30pm. Tues: 12pm-2pm, Thurs: 10am-11am and Sat: 10am-12pm.**

## Children's liturgy – Pentecost (Year A) KS2 Children

**Welcome:** Today we hear how Jesus sent the Holy Spirit to be with the disciples, to help them be brave enough to share God's message with others. Let's think a bit about what the Holy Spirit does in our lives today.

**Gospel reflection:** What do you remember from today's reading?

The disciples were alone and afraid, because their friend Jesus, who they knew was the Son of God, had been put to death.

Suddenly Jesus appeared to them. What did Jesus say to the disciples? (*Peace be with you*)

And how did the disciples feel when they saw Jesus again?

The disciples were filled with joy. Jesus repeated the words "Peace be with you."

What happened next? Jesus breathed on the disciples and gave them the Holy Spirit. He told the disciples he was sending them out to spread his word.

The disciples had been sad, lonely and frightened. How do you think they felt after Jesus breathed the Holy Spirit onto them?

The disciples were filled with joy, hope and courage to go out and spread the word of God. God's special message of peace for all people.

The Holy Spirit gives the disciples the courage to see that they can do what Jesus asks of them.

What does Jesus ask us to do? How does Jesus want us to behave and to treat other people?

Jesus asks us to do the same as the disciples – to spread his message of peace to all people through what we do.

Can you think how you might do this? And how does the Holy Spirit help us?

The Holy Spirit gives us the courage to answer Jesus' call, to do what God asks of us even when it is difficult. We each answer that call in a different way, but the Holy Spirit helps and guides us along the way.

*If you have time, you could share our video of [children in El Salvador](#) talking about peace-building. See the Activity suggestions below for more details.*

This week let's try to notice the Holy Spirit in our lives, helping us to be brave, and helping us to spread Jesus' message of peace in our world.

What will you do this week to try and spread peace in our world?

### **Activity suggestions – KS1 CHILDREN**

Ask the children what they can see in the accompanying optional illustration that makes them think about making peace. (Playing together happily, forgiving each other, helping friends to make up when they have argued. A dove rested on Jesus when he was baptised to show that the Holy Spirit was with him. The Holy Spirit is with us too, to help us build peace and to act as God wants us to. The dove can remind us to let the Holy Spirit build peace through us.)

Encourage the children to colour in the illustration and on the back to write or draw how they will spread Jesus' message of peace with others in the coming week.

Ask the children to write a prayer for peace in our world.

Share the stories of [peace-building in El Salvador](#). (Diego lives in El Salvador. The Sisters of St Clare, supported by CAFOD, work with Diego and other children to offer them activities so that the children can learn to live together in peace.)

Discuss at home as a family all that you have heard and thought about today. If your children have written a prayer for peace, ask them to say it together at home during the week. Ask them to try to do at least one thing in the coming week to spread Jesus' message of peace in our world.

A peaceful world is something that we all hope for. This summer, like never before, we are called to be signs of hope for our world. You and your family are invited to be part of a Summer of Hope which will ensure clean water and food reaches some of the poorest families in the world during this global emergency. Visit [cafod.org.uk/summerofhope](http://cafod.org.uk/summerofhope) to find out more.

Pentecost  
Gospel: John 20:19-23



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