

# THE BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH

Copenhagen Street

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**Parish Office opening times:** Tuesday-Friday 10.00am -2.00pm



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ASCENSION OF THE LORD

28<sup>th</sup> May 2017

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## Make Disciples of All Nations

Jesus arranges to meet the eleven disciples on the mountain at Galilee. The scene is set. Jesus is about to ascend into heaven, but first he gives the disciples their all-important commission; to baptise and teach the message Jesus has taught them... to make disciples of all nations. It must have been a staggering thing for eleven humble Galileans to be told.

With the early disciples long gone, it is now up to us to carry the baton. We too are entrusted with the commission to make disciples of all nations. Perhaps we don't feel the commission as acutely because we didn't receive it standing on a mountain talking to Jesus face to face... but nonetheless we have inherited the commission and we have to do something about it. With so much conflict in the world, the Christian example of forgiveness and peace has never been more relevant.

So where do we begin? How do we go about making disciples of all nations? One thing is for sure; we are not all called to drop our day jobs and rush round the world being missionaries. We are each called in different ways. Some of us are called as parents to baptise our children and bring them up as Christians. Some of us are called to bring God's love into the lives of those who have lost direction and hope. We are all called to teach by example either in the context of our jobs or in the extra things we do. We are each challenged to work out how best we can carry out Jesus' commission.

Yes, the commission is a daunting one, but Jesus makes it clear that his ascension does not mean that he will be absent from our lives. We will always have Jesus' help. "I am with you always," he promises, "until the end of the age."



**NEXT SUNDAY'S INTERNATIONAL PENTECOST CELEBRATION:** As we celebrate the Holy Spirit who unites us, we hope you will join the prayer and celebration at the 11:00 Mass. Here are details of the preparations:

*Setting up the Hall:* Saturday, 3 June from 11:00 a.m.

*Offertory Procession:* If you want to present something during the Offertory Procession you will be invited to join the procession

*Bidding Prayers:* Can anyone do an intercession in Portuguese, Spanish or Eritrean?

*Dress:* You are encouraged to wear your national costume, if you have one.

*Food for the Shared Table:* Please bring to the hall before 10:55 so everyone can be in Church by 11:00 a.m.

*Dance and Song:* If you wish, bring music that can be played.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION:** the next course for parents wishing to have their infants baptised will take place on Wednesdays 7<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> June at 7.00pm in St John the Evangelist, Duncan Terrace, Angel . You should attend both sessions please.

**INTERESTED?** Are you interested in helping with preparing children for First Communion or assisting in other programmes for passing on the faith? Please let Sr Miriam know.

**GENERAL ELECTION:** Please check the notice board if you are interested in an event that is part of the Diocese "Faith Matters" series, "an informative lively evening on how as Christians we might respond to the issues surrounding the General Election". It's 5 June, 6:45 at Farm St. Church Hall.

**CALLING ALL YOUTH FROM 13 – 29:** In 2018 there will be a synod about youth and faith. This is a meeting of Bishops from around the world with the Pope. They want to hear from young people about their experience. Our bishops invite you to be part of the Mega Youth Poll by answering the questionnaire found at [www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cathnews-synod-youth-poll](http://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/cathnews-synod-youth-poll) It will take only about 15 minutes. Poll closes 5 June.

**OFFERTORY COLLECTIONS:**

Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May Envelopes: £279.35 Loose plate: £507.54

Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May Envelopes: £219.25 Loose plate: £269.11

Thank you for your generosity.

**REQUESTS FOR PRAYERS:**

Please remember to pray for all the victims of the attack in Manchester, and for all those whose anniversaries are about this time. May they rest in peace and rise in glory.

**HEALING FOR THOSE WHO ARE SICK:** especially Leny Tirado, Mary Payne, Alice Clancy, Doreen Clayton, Tom Hunt, Sophia O'Donnell, Monica Smith (O'Leary), Eugene Mariner, Cassie Robinson, Tessa Charlton, Michael Hehir, Emmanuel Tala, Mary Wallace, Nina & Jocelyn Hillgarth, Filomena Barbo, Colin Harris, Margaret Phillips, Peggy Walsh, Nora Moran, Maria Carrano, May Cullen., Gordana Tancevska, Irene Bryan, Phuong Quach , Albert Boateng, Anne Griffin, baby Freddie Mudd, Margaret Cross.

**MASSES THIS WEEK:**

DATE	FEAST DAYS	TIME	INTENTION
Sunday 28 <sup>th</sup> May	<b>ASCENSION OF THE LORD (Mass Book p.272)</b>	8.30am 11.00am	Maria Costa RIP, Dominiga Salva, Joao, Irena & Quentain Costa RIP Eammon Cooke RIP
Monday 29 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>Easter feria</i>	10.30am	<b>** NO MASS THIS WEEK **</b>
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> May	<i>Easter feria</i>	10.30am	Maria Bernarda Gonzalez RIP (Anniv.)
Wednesday 31 <sup>st</sup> May	<i>The Visitation of the B.V.M.</i>	10.30am	Dena Adams RIP
Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> June	<i>St Charles Lwanga</i>	10.30am	Gerardo Sanz RIP (Anniv.)
Sunday 4 <sup>th</sup> JUNE	<b>PENTECOST (Mass Book p.288)</b>	8.30am 11.00am	All our Parishioners Teresa Finnigan RIP

**Weekday Masses:** Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday 10.30am

**Weekend Masses:** Saturday 10.30am, Sunday 8.30am & 11.00am

**Confessions:** Sunday 8am-8.20am: 10.30am – 10.50am

*Weekday Mass at St John the Evangelist Monday - Friday at 10.00am – All welcome*

*Confessions at St John's on Saturday 10.30-11.15am and 5.15-5.45pm*