16TH MAY 2021
+7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER



Dear Parishioners

Consecrate them in the truth

As we are hopefully approaching a time when we anticipate the prospect of rediscovering aspects of normal life which have been absent for so long, we are also accompanied by a beautiful moment in our liturgical year. This Sunday's mass of the seventh Sunday of Eastertide is situated between the feast of Our Lord's Ascension and Pentecost. In the Gospel Jesus prays to the Father that we will be 'consecrated in the truth'. This truth is the truth of our redemption; that we are reborn into a new relationship with God as his beloved children through the death and Resurrection of Jesus and the gift of the Holy Spirit through baptism. To be consecrated means to become sacred, to become holy, to become saints. This is the foundation of the meaning of our lives as Christians. It is the purpose for which God created us. We have been going through a very challenging trial these last months. It is right to hope for a reprieve from this, with perhaps a renewed sense of gratitude for so many features of life which are given to us by God. He has been with us through these months and his promise is that he can bring great good from these experiences. God's ways are always mysterious but we can know the security of his promise if we seek to be consecrated in the truth of our Christian faith. Let us pray at this time for a renewal of the gift of the Holy Spirit to animate and deepen our spiritual lives and our participation in the Church as members of the Body of Christ.

God bless you,

Fr Martin

CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

The second collection this weekend supports the work of the Catholic Communications Network (CCN) the media office of the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. The CCN seeks to be of service both to the Church and the world in offering professional channels of communication, and provides support for the Bishops of England and Wales and the wider Church in promoting the Gospel through the media on current issues. Its office is the focus for media enquiries on National matters, and seeks to develop the public profile of the Church and its teaching. The CCN provides up to date news releases, features and podcasts, information from the Bishops' Conference of England and Wales, and trains spokesmen and women. Thank you for your support.

Thy Kingdom Come: - *Lighting up the world in prayer* - 13th-23rd May 2021
- https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/thy-kingdom-come/
Once again, alongside other Catholic dioceses we are pleased to be participating in this timely ecumenical initiative to help us reflect more deeply on our journey with Christ and personal call to discipleship. A variety of rich Catholic resources are available for use in our parish communities, which can enable us to prepare more fully to celebrate the great Feast of Pentecost. In a year that has been beset by many personal challenges and worries, we hope that these resources may provide a useful source of spiritual nourishment and reflection.

St Thomas More Catholic Church

16TH MAY 2021, 7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

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*****100 CLUB MEMBERSHIP*****

Goodluck to all our members!!

MASS INTENTIONS
+7TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

SUNDAY 16TH MAY
09:30AM INTS KEITH & MEGAN D'SOUZA
11:30AM INTS OF DOHERTY FAMILY

MONDAY 17TH MAY
09:30AM INTS EILEEN FERRIS

TUESDAY 18TH MAY
09:30AM RICHARD SAWYER RIP LD

WEDNESDAY 19TH MAY
09:30AM PRIVATE INTENTION

THURSDAY 20TH MAY
10:00-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
THE ROSARY AND EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

FRIDAY 21ST MAY
09:00AM-11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM INTS OF PAULINE FITZGERALD

SATURDAY 22ND MAY
09:00 -11:00AM CHURCH OPEN
09:30AM IN THANKSGIVING OF KEITH D'SOUZA

FOLLOWED BY
EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT & CONFESSIONS

+ PENTECOST SUNDAY
SUNDAY 23RD MAY
06:00PM BRIGIDA DI PAOLA RIP LD
09:30AM REENIE LYNCH RIP LD
11:30AM FOR THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH (*EXCLUSIVELY FOR THE FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CANDIDATES & THEIR FAMILIES).*

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Please remember our sick parishioners in your prayers: Eileen Ferris, Michael McCarthy, Brian Berry, Katie Murchan, Duncan Webster, Pedro Johns, Paul Wazny, Nicola Nunn, William O'Shea, Daisy Cunningham, Bianca Malheiros-Fauz, Kundan Singhoraya, Sarah Dunning, Eamonn Kearney, Ruby Bastiampillai, Peggy McMahon, Delores Walsh, Kitty Goldie and those in our local nursing homes; and for our housebound parishioners, especially Katie Loftus. *Please let us know if you wish to add or remove any names on the sick list.*

For those who have died recently: Ron Johnson

For those whose Anniversaries occur around this time: Margaret Fry, Luke Kolakowski

Pentecost Novena: A beautiful way to prepare ourselves for the joy of Pentecost, This resource is available as a download, booklet, or podcast: https://www.cbcew.org.uk/home/events/thy-kingdom-come/pentecost-novena/

First Holy Communion Masses: The masses on **Sunday 23rd & 30th May at 11.30am** will be exclusively for First Holy Communion candidates and their families. We appreciate this is a change to the normal schedule but it has been necessary due to restrictions still in place that we have had to work with. We appreciate the support of those affected for the families of our First Holy Communion children in helping them make this day as special as possible. Many thanks, Fr Martin

Children's Liturgy:

Don't forget to watch this week's Children's Liturgy and join Bertie and Ginger Ted.

https://youtu.be/2B0lfjEtOq8

FOOD BANK: The next collection for Food donations will be **Wednesday 26th May 2021.**