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9 June 2019: Pentecost Sunday

Calendar

Monday	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
Tuesday	St Barnabas, apostle
Thursday	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest

Masses this week

Saturday (for Sunday)	6.30 pm
Sunday	8.30 am and 10.30 am
Monday and Tuesday	9.30 am
Wednesday	9.30 am followed by Rosary
Friday	6.30 pm

Confession is available before Saturday-evening Mass, and upon request. Baptism is administered (by appointment) on Saturdays at midday.

Catholic Communications Network collection

Thank you for more than £260 donated last weekend.

Day for Life next weekend

This year's theme is domestic abuse. One in four women and about one in six men suffer from such abuse in their lifetime. Two women are killed every week in England by a partner or ex-partner.

Pope Francis writes: 'Unacceptable customs still need to be eliminated. I think particularly of the shameful ill-treatment to which women are sometimes subjected, domestic violence and various forms of enslavement which, rather than a show of masculine power, are craven acts of cowardice. The verbal, physical, and sexual violence that women endure in some marriages contradicts the very nature of the conjugal union.' (*Amoris Laetitia* 54)

In particular we wish to highlight the need for public education and action regarding domestic violence, especially against women. Such violence includes many forms of non-physical intimidation such as persistent verbal abuse, emotional blackmail and enforced social or financial deprivation. It may occur in any type of close adult relationship. For those who are experiencing domestic abuse, the home is far from being a place of security and self-fulfilment.

Too often it is a place of pain, fear, degradation and isolation.

The most effective way in which Catholics will be able to help men, women and children who are victims of domestic violence is by giving their support to existing groups and projects and by assisting in the spread of awareness and information.

Within our parishes it is very important for all of us, priests and parishioners, to be alert, to be sensitive, and from time to time to use the opportunities we have to speak of the dignity of human beings and to emphasise the equal dignity of women and men.

Domestic abuse is often a hidden problem, and our aim is for anyone experiencing domestic abuse to feel able to have confidence to seek help within the Church setting. There will be a collection next weekend. Catholics Experiencing Domestic Abuse (CEDAR) is on 0808 2000 247.

Cleaning team seeks volunteer

The church cleaning team are seeking a new volunteer. They write: "We work in pairs and the rota is issued every 11 weeks. It takes just over an hour to clean the church and all materials are supplied. You get allocated one week in which you can choose the day and time to clean. The work is not hard and the reward is a beautiful looking church!" Please email christianenaylor@tiscali.co.uk

Finance committee meeting next month

This will take place at 8 pm on Monday 1 July.

Duties for next weekend (15-16 June)

Reading	6.30	D Cobley
	8.30	M Burgess
	10.30	A Politis
Communion	6.30	J McLean
	8.30	L Cahill
	10.30	B Dadswell, C Taylor and P Breslin
Counting	D Lynch and J Gibbs	
Tea & coffee	May Rusk	
Flowers	Margaret Bird	
Cleaning	Mrs McCarthy and Mrs Bernard	
Catechesis	Bridget Medri, Elaine Taylor and Anna Fischer	