

Our Lady of Lourdes Harpenden

9TH JUNE 2019
PENTECOST SUNDAY (C)



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The Church is usually open each day
from 7.00am until 6.30pm (approx.)
for quiet prayer and contemplation,
everyone is welcome

Today, Pentecost, is the last day of the Easter season. For 50 days we have had the opportunity to celebrate Easter faith, to live Easter hope, to share Easter joy. Tomorrow we return to Ordinary Time. However, the opportunities to celebrate faith, live hope, and share joy will be ever present. In those opportunities we will have the chance to celebrate the Spirit - the fullness of God's presence and love with us and in us.

One spiritual writer says of Pentecost: " ... the season of Pentecost: the period of unmitigated joy, of total immersion in the implications of what it means to be a Christian, to live a Christian life. It is at that point in the liturgical year when the curtain between here and there, time and eternity, for the most minute fraction of time splits open, and we begin to see not only what we are but what we can be".

May this feast be an opportunity to grow in the awareness of the Spirit alive in our midst. May it be an invitation to allow that Spirit to be the inspiration and encouragement that summons us to immerse ourselves in what it means to be Christian. May it be a source of the peace that is the Spirit's gift - the peace that is beyond human understanding but not human experience. We can make our own prayer to the Holy Spirit: 'Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful. Fill us with your Light and Love inspire us encourage us.... give us your Peace'.



PENTECOST

**SPOTLIGHT ON AFRICA
MIDSUMMER BALL**

Celebrate Midsummer, Friday 21st



June, by joining us for a fabulous Black-Tie event in The Conservatory, Luton Hoo Walled Garden, Luton Hoo Estate LU1 4LF. To reserve your table, 8-10, or

individual tickets, contact Minal on ball@hsoa.org.uk or 07817 387747.

NEWSPAPERS/BOOKLETS

Just a reminder of the prices of papers and booklets on sale each week/month



- Catholic Times £1.50
- Catholic Universe £1.50
- The Catholic Herald £2.50
- Westminster Record - donation 20p
- Day by Day £1.00
- Bible Alive £2.50
- Goodnews Magazine £2.95

SOLITUDE SATURDAY

Solitude Saturday at St Clare's Convent is the last Saturday of every month this month that will be 29th June. The day begins with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament at 10am and ends at 3pm. St Clare's Convent, 3 Abigail Close Luton LU3 1ND
www.sistersofclare.com

LIVESIMPLY IDEA

REUSE- could that thing you are throwing away be used for something else or given to a charity shop?



MASS INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

Saturday 8th June

Easter feria

- 10.00am Mary McGarry RIP
- 12.00pm Baptisms
- 5.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Vigil Mass**
- 6.00pm Margaret Carey RIP (Months Mind)

Sunday 9th June

PENTECOST SUNDAY (C)

- 8.30am People of the Parish
- 9.45am First Holy Communion Thanksgiving Mass
- 11.30am Georgina Brennan RIP (Anniv)

Monday 10th June

The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

- 9.15am Margaret Foulds

Tuesday 11th June St Barnabas, Apostle

- 9.15am McGarry Family (Ints)

Wednesday 12th June feria

- 9.15am Marianne Wilcox RIP

Thursday 13th June

Our Lord Jesus Christ The Eternal High Priest

- 11.00am Beryl Vasquez RIP (Anniv)

Friday 14th June feria

- 9.15am Service of the Word with Holy Communion

Saturday 15th June

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- 10.00am Mary Collins RIP
- 12.00pm Baptisms
- 5.00pm Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- Vigil Mass**
- 6.00pm Joe Bearpark RIP (1st Anniv)

Sunday 16th June

THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (C)

- 8.30am Colm Murray RIP
- 9.45am People of the Parish
- 11.30am Mary & Bill Hammond (Golden Wedding)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday 10.30am-11.00am and at 5pm - 5.30pm before the Vigil Mass