

ST BERNADETTE'S RC CHURCH



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Sunday 31st May 2020 Pentecost Sunday

MASS TIMES THIS WEEK

Please note that all these services will take place behind closed doors.

Sunday 31st May	10 am
Bernard Tiley RIP	
Monday 1st June	10 am
Donor's Intention	
Tuesday 2nd June	No Mass
Wednesday 3rd June	10 am
Evelyn South RIP	
Thursday 4th June	10 am
Donor's Intention	
Bill Carney RIP	
Friday 5th June	10 am
Ian Melrose RIP	
Donor's Intention	
Saturday 6th June	No Mass
Sunday 7th June	10 am
Bernie Heneghan RIP	

MEDITATE

As we are experiencing at the moment, fear is our greatest enemy because it immobilises us and closes us in. On the contrary, the life of God within us, which we call Holy Spirit, opens doors and our own heart to others, hence making us share the message of the Gospel with those around us. Some of the walls we build around us are created by our sins, our judgments and resentments. Thus the first work of those who receive the Spirit of God is to forgive and reconcile.

ACT

St. Francis prayed that he be an instrument of God's peace bringing peace, reconciliation and love to situations of hatred, discord and misunderstanding. See if any of such situations are present around you and try to amend it, through prayer or some practical action.

MASS ON THE INTERNET

At www.churchservices.tv/.

MAGNIFICAT

Now available online for you to follow Mass, daily readings, prayers etc. at www.magnificat.com/free. You will need to navigate to the English page as overseas sometimes have a different calendar.

PLANNED GIVING BOXES

As you know, we were not able to hand out the boxes back in March when they were due. We would now like to deliver them to as many of you as possible, so that you have them to hand for when the churches are allowed to reopen. Please note that you are not encouraged to bring them to the church until it is considered safe to do so. If you would like to have your box, please let us know by email (hillingdon@rcdow.org.uk) as soon as possible. Thank you.

CHURCH REOPENING

It is the Cardinal's hope that our churches should reopen for "individual prayer" sometime in June. However, this would be under the strictest conditions in line with the Government's medical advice.

There will be an entrance and an exit door and we will be expected to obey the two metre distance rule from one another. Certain sections of the church will be cordoned off and you will be unable to light a candle, or use the toilet. As the church will be in use for quiet prayer only no prayer groups can be allowed, not even for the Rosary, which may be said silently.

These strictures will be reviewed again as we go forward. We will keep you informed. Thank you.

ST ANNE'S HOME EMERGENCY APPEAL

The Little Sisters of the Poor, who run St Anne's Care Home in Stoke Newington are making an appeal to offset losses that they are sustaining due to the lockdown. Please visit www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk/donate-here/ for more information.

CARDINAL'S MESSAGE FOR PENTECOST

If you haven't already seen it, you can watch Cardinal Nichols' message for Pentecost here: <https://vimeo.com/421046273> or on the www.rcdow.org.uk website.

REFLECTION FOR PENTECOST

Canon Patrick Browne of Holy Apostles' Parish, Pimlico, presents a reflection for Pentecost using Christian art and music. You can watch the reflection here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ca6ccFiilc8>

A PRAYER OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

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 your loving presence. Amen.

ST BERNADETTE'S CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOL PLACES FOR SEPTEMBER 2020

We have places available for our September 2020 intake in both Nursery (full-time and part-time) and Reception classes. If you are interested, please email: office@stbernadetteschool.co.uk and someone will get back to you with information on how to apply, or answer any questions you may have.

MARGARET McGRATH RIP

Please pray for Margaret, who died on Tuesday. We send our sympathy to her family and friends. May she rest in peace.

Parish Priest: Fr Matthew Heslin **Deacon:** Rev. Reg Abrahams
Parish Secretary: Mrs Linda Broadbridge