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 Thu 6pm  
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**SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER 2026**



"I shall ask the Father and he will give you another Advocate." John 14:16

This **Thursday 14th May** we celebrate **the Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord**. From heaven Christ continues to send to us the Holy Spirit to make us share in his mission! Masses at 12:30pm & 6pm.

**Novena of prayer for Pentecost**  
**9 holy hours**  
**from 15th to 23rd May**

- Friday 15th May: 6 to 7pm
- Saturday: 16h May 2 to 3pm
- Sunday 17th May 7:30 to 8:30pm
- Monday 18th May 6 to 7pm
- Tuesday 19th May 6 to 7pm
- Wednesday 20th May 5:30 to 6:30pm
- Thursday 21st May 4:30 to :5:30pm
- Friday 22nd May 6 to 7pm
- Saturday 23rd May 2 to 3pm

Join us as we pray for a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit in our lives and the life of our parish.

**Archbishop Richard Moth is asking the whole diocese to pray for vocations to the priesthood.**

We know that it is *from amongst his people that God calls his shepherds* and so between Good Shepherd Sunday and Pentecost we come together for a Holy Hour each week devoted to the following intentions:

**Week Three**

Pray for seminarians in their formation;

**Week Four**

Pray for your parish's priests and all clergy serving in the diocese.



**HOLY HOUR EACH WEEK UNTIL PENTECOST:**  
**Wednesday**  
**5:30 to 6:30pm in the church**

**Mass Schedule**

Sat 9 <sup>th</sup> May	8:15pm Neocatechumenate
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup> May SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER	9am Pro Populo 11am Pat McDonagh RIP
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup> Ma	NO MASS
Tue 12 <sup>th</sup> May	12:30pm Mrs. Greenway RIP
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup> May	12:30pm Stephen, Leena & Marshal RIP
HOLY HOUR	5:30 to 6:30pm For seminarians
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup> May THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD	12:30pm Margaret, Josephine & Magdalena RIP 6pm Mrs. Talbot RIP
Fri 15 <sup>th</sup> May	12:30pm Elanor Indentions

"As the soul is the life of the body, so the Holy Spirit is the life of our souls."  
 St Peter Damian



**Mission in the Square**

Sundays 10th and 17th May  
 Great Titchfield St & Market Pl Junction

2pm

Join us as we proclaim the Way, the Truth and the Life!

Donations for the **Foodbank** are welcome.

Click on the QR code for Sun-day hymns.



# The Highest Life



*Beloved,*

The world speaks of “*upward mobility*,” of an exciting way of living, of moving from rags to riches, of being successful and enjoying oneself by spending time and money in exclusive places. This is what the world means when it speaks of “*the high life*.”

This is high life in the old world that is passing. The Church on the other hand invites us to look higher, to the life of the world to come, to the highest life. This is how Pope Leo XIV put it:

*“... in the old world in which we are still journeying, what attracts attention are exclusive places, experiences accessible only to a few and the privilege of entering where others cannot. In the new world into which the Risen One leads us, however, what is most valuable is within everyone’s reach. Yet this does not make it any less attractive. On the contrary, what is open to all now brings joy. Gratitude takes the place of competition; welcome overcomes exclusion; and abundance no longer entails inequality.” Pope Leo XIV Regina Caeli , 3 May 2026*

Joy, gratitude, a universal welcome and abundant life for all, abundance that satisfies all our desires for justice! This is the new world into which the Risen One leads us, the world that begins to materialise when we truly become his disciples, live by the grace of our baptism and put into practise all the things he has commanded us; when we look for the things of heaven, as St Paul says:

*“Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God’s right hand.”*

*Colossians 3:1*

The things that are in heaven! Joy, gratitude, fraternity, justice, peace; everything that is good, noble, pure and true; everything that can inspire one to give glory to God; everything that is compatible with the perfect love of Christ, which we can enjoy already on earth as it is in heaven.

As we celebrate the Ascension of the Lord this Thursday, let us look for the things that are in heaven; let us press on towards the goal to win the prize of the upward call of God in Christ Jesus; let us seek the highest life.

*Fr Oscar*