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## PENTECOST SUNDAY (YEAR B) - 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2015 SUNDAY THOUGHT

We celebrate this Sunday a wondrous and unprecedented gift of God – “the Spirit of truth” given to us. This Spirit of truth God gives is relational. This Spirit of truth changes us – through the Spirit we share a common identity as the Body of Christ and take up a common mission to proclaim the Gospel by the sheer goodness of our lives. The Spirit enables us to live with one another in a new way. The Spirit propels us to engage with the world in a new way: we testify to the mighty acts of God by the way we live. The truth God gives transforms us and, through us, transforms the world.

According to today’s gospel, both the Spirit and the disciples testify to Jesus. What is this testimony? It is the revelation that Jesus is of the Father, is the divine Son. Indeed, today’s gospel says that the Spirit glorifies Jesus by testifying. So then do we. What is this glory? It is Jesus himself who is the visible presence of the Father. Like the Spirit of truth, when we testify we also glorify.

This Pentecost celebration doesn’t simply recall a past event, but celebrates what God is doing within us now. In baptism each of us received the Spirit; that is our Pentecost. The Spirit is not something we have, it is not a possession. The Spirit dwells within us as divine life, enabling us to be faithful and true disciples. The Spirit is given for the sake of mission: to proclaim the gospel, to be moulded as disciples and ultimately to worship. The indwelling of the Spirit is a continual Pentecost so that everyone can hear of the mighty acts of God and thus bring glory to God.

### At the Mass during the Day

**Entrance Antiphon:** The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Acts 2:1-11

**Response to Psalm:** Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Galatians 5:16-25

**Gospel:** John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**Communion Antiphon:** They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

### Next Sunday’s Readings

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading:** Deuteronomy 4:32-34; **2<sup>nd</sup> Reading:** Romans 8:14-17; **Gospel:** Matthew 28:16-20

### LAST SUNDAY’S COLLECTION

**Rickmansworth:** Envelopes: £742.00; Loose Plate: £444.30; Standing Orders: £499.00 **Total: £1685.30**

**Mill End:** Envelopes: £255.22; Loose Plate: £335.35; Standing Orders: £93.75 **Total: £684.32**

**Chorleywood:** The Offertory collection for the month of April amounted to **£1928.86**

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

## FROM THE PARISH DIARIES

<b>SUN 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>			
<b>MON 25<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>	10.00am	Rosary	Our Lady Help of Christians
<b>TUE 26<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>	10.15am 5.30pm 7.30pm	St John Fisher Ladies' Meeting 1st Communion Rehearsals Faith Matters Discussion Group - Hall	Edith Moid's home Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist
<b>WED 27<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>			
<b>THU 28<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>	8.00pm - 9.30pm	Life in the Spirit Prayer Group - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians
<b>FRI 29<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>	10.00am 10.00am	Ashes of Jack Dominian RIP interred in the Garden of Rest Coffee after Mass for all - Hall	Our Lady Help of Christians Our Lady Help of Christians
<b>SAT 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY</b>	11.00am 5.30pm	<b>No Mass, Holy Hour or Confessions at Our Lady's today</b> First Holy Communion Mass Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament	Our Lady Help of Christians St John the Evangelist

### Mass Times and Intentions this Week

	Our Lady Help of Christians	St John the Evangelist	St John Fisher
<b>SATURDAY</b> 23 <sup>RD</sup> MAY	<b>No Mass today</b>	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) For the People of the Parish	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) Patrik Biel RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.)
<b>SUNDAY</b> 24 <sup>TH</sup> MAY <i>PENTECOST SUNDAY</i>	<b>8.30am</b> Patrik Biel RIP (1 <sup>st</sup> Anniv.) <b>11am</b> Dominik Rozwod RIP and Family (Ints.) <b>6pm</b> For the People of the Parish	<b>10.30am</b> Jim Mannion RIP	<b>9am</b> Bertil Tyden RIP (Anniv.)
<b>MONDAY</b> 25 <sup>TH</sup> MAY <i>OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS (TRANSFERRED)</i>	<b>9.30am</b> For the People of the Parish	<b>9.30am</b> Sr Anastasia & Regina Kabatabazi (Ints.)	
<b>TUESDAY</b> 26 <sup>TH</sup> MAY <i>ST PHILIP NERI, PRIEST</i>	<b>9.30am</b> Anita Phillips RIP		<b>9.30am</b> Private Intention
<b>WEDNESDAY</b> 27 <sup>TH</sup> MAY <i>ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTEBURY, BISHOP</i>		<b>9.30am</b> Ann & Paul Ford (Ints.)	
<b>THURSDAY</b> 28 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	<b>9.30am</b> For the Sick and Household of the Parish		
<b>FRIDAY</b> 29 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	<b>9.30am</b> Jack & Edith Dominian RIP		<b>9.30am</b> For the Sick and Household of the Parish
<b>SATURDAY</b> 30 <sup>TH</sup> MAY	<b>11am</b> First Holy Communion Mass	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) Johnnie Brennan	<b>6pm</b> (Vigil) Kathleen Stewart RIP
<b>SUNDAY</b> 31 <sup>ST</sup> MAY <i>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</i>	<b>8.30am</b> For the People of the Parish <b>11am</b> Johnny Deane RIP <b>6pm</b> Jerzy Mazurkiewicz RIP (Anniv.)	<b>10.30am</b> For the People of the Parish	<b>9am</b> For the People of the Parish

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISHES

**Our Lady Help of Christians:** Maureen Digges, Elsie Alexander, Vinny Spiteri, Ruary Chisholm, Kathleen Collins, Wendy Goldsmith, Kathy Wright, John Overend, Monica Clatworthy, Peter Czarniecki, Tony Infante, Brenda Reynolds, Brian Hunt, Maureen Giles, Olive Cordery, Neville Mathews, Norah MacWilliam, Agnes Harper, Diana Price, Joan Marioni, Eileen Durkan, Ginny Goodgol, Roshini Alles, Maureen Douglas and Maria Wallis.

**St John the Evangelist:** Jean Mulderrig; Rita Murray; Margaret Sweeney; Clare Schofield; Joyce Baldwin, Margaret (Meg) Cunningham, Imogen Bailey and Harry Lennon.

**St John Fisher:** Nora O'Toole, Francis De Souza, Georgina Kelham, Rita Garrett, Pete Murray, Steve Kibbey, Matthew Leone, Jean-Pierre Roche, Fr Peter Stevens, Angela Hoy, Tony and Pat Finucane, Colin Dowling, Margaret Lamb, Jacob Stern, Barbara Marke, Paddy Holly and Thomas Gillies.

## NOTICES FOR ALL THREE PARISHES

### RECOMMISSIONING OF MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION

Ministers of Holy Communion will be re-commissioned in all three parishes at the Sunday Masses on the weekend of 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> June (Corpus Christi).

### JACK DOMINIAN RIP

The ashes of Jack Dominican RIP will be interred in the Garden of Rest after the 9.30am Mass this Friday 29<sup>th</sup> May.

### LOURDES PILGRIMAGE PRAYER INTENTIONS

If you have any particular intentions you would like to be prayed for on the Lourdes Pilgrimage, forms are available this weekend.

### RUNNING CLUB

There will be no running club this Monday as it is a bank holiday. The next run will take place on **Monday 1<sup>st</sup> June at 7.00pm**. Runners of all abilities from 18 years old upwards welcome. Distances and routes will be negotiated.

### FR GRAHAM GILLMAN'S 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

This summer Fr Graham celebrates the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood. To mark this special anniversary Fr Graham will be celebrating the **11am Mass on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June** at Our Lady's. Fr Graham has played an important part in the life of Our Lady's parish for many years and over the last 18 months or so has become a familiar figure at both St John Fisher, Chorleywood and St John, the Evangelist's, Mill End, where he has celebrated Masses when Fr Shaun or Fr Mark have been away. There will be a special collection for anyone who would like to contribute to a gift for Fr Graham to mark this important anniversary. Special envelopes are available this weekend marked **Fr Graham's 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gift**. Any contributions should be either posted through the Presbytery letterbox or handed to Fr Shaun or Fr Mark. Cheques should be made payable to **Our Lady Help of Christians, Rickmansworth**.

### REGISTRATION FOR 1<sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION 2016

In June and July Fr Shaun will be registering children wishing to make their First Communion in **2016**. To be eligible children must be in Year 3 or above by September 2015 and attend Mass regularly in one of the three parishes. The expectation is that all children preparing for Holy Communion should already know how to make the sign of the cross and know the *Our Father*, *Hail Mary* and *Glory be*. These prayers should be taught and prayed in the home regularly. Parents may bring their child for registration on the following dates:

**Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> June – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 2.00pm to 3.00pm**

**Monday 29<sup>th</sup> June – Our Lady's Church Hall, Rickmansworth – 5.00pm to 6.00pm**

**Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July – St John the Evangelist Church, Mill End – 5.30pm to 6.30pm**

It is essential that you bring with you to the meeting the child wishing to be prepared for Holy Communion. If your child was baptised somewhere other than Our Lady Help of Christians Rickmansworth, St John Fisher Chorleywood or St John the Evangelist, Mill End you will need to bring with you the child's baptismal certificate. You are welcome to bring your child to whichever of the registration times is best for you. Do not worry if the place of registration is not your usual church for Sunday Mass attendance. **First Communion preparation will continue to take place in the three parishes.**

### FAITH MATTERS DISCUSSION GROUP

The Faith Matters Discussion Group is a forum to reflect, discuss and debate different aspects of our Catholic faith and life. The group meets at St John the Evangelist's parish hall, Mill End every Tuesday. This week the discussion will be on Marian Apparitions - Our Lady of Knock. All are welcome.

### OUR LADY'S - SATURDAY MORNING MASS, HOLY HOUR AND CONFESSIONS

Due to 1<sup>st</sup> Holy Communion Mass there will be **no** 10.00am Mass, Holy Hour or Confessions on **Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May**.

### LET'S GET TOGETHER AND GROW GROUP

Do you have young babies / children and would like to meet up with other mums / carers who are parishioners at any of our three parishes for general support, sharing and chat? Why not join our small, friendly group which meets on a Monday morning from around 10 to 11.30/45 in the church hall at Our Lady's. We have plenty of toys for the babies and toddlers to play with and there is always tea, coffee and cake for the parents! We are normally there every Monday in term time (barring Bank Holidays and unforeseen circumstances). For more information, please contact Helen Nolan (01923 499523 / 07980 600549 or [helenvnolan@ntlworld.com](mailto:helenvnolan@ntlworld.com)).

### ST JOAN OF ARC'S "PARTY IN THE ARC" - SATURDAY 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 3.00PM - 6.00PM

There will be dance and music, sports challenges, various stalls including Bottle tombola, a bucking bronco for the brave and we are having a "Great JOA Bake off" stall where everyone can sample the delights of pupils/ staff/ parents or friends – as this is open to all. Please come along and support us.

### ST JOHN'S PRE SCHOOL NURSERY

Do you have a child coming up to 2 or 3 years and are looking for good quality, affordable childcare? Our nursery is based within the grounds of St John's RC School in Berry Lane. It is in a delightful setting with two outside play areas, highly qualified and experienced staff and the option of school dinners/packed lunches and a new lunch club. On the last Ofsted review it received a rating of Good. Bookings are now being taken for September onwards. If you would like further information or to register Tel 01923 721140 or e-mail [info@stjohnsnursery.co.uk](mailto:info@stjohnsnursery.co.uk).

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### CAFOD PEDAL AGAINST POVERTY – SUNDAY 7<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2015

CAFOD is looking for people from our parish to take part in our annual family-friendly sponsored cycle ride in the Lee Valley Country Park, North London/Hertfordshire. Ride either 10 or 19 miles, with all money raised going to help the world's poorest communities. The ride is suitable for nearly all skills and abilities, and costs £6 per rider to register.

Register online at <http://pedalagainstopoverty2015.eventbrite.co.uk>, or contact CAFOD Westminster on 0208 449 6970 or [westminster@cafod.org.uk](mailto:westminster@cafod.org.uk).

## OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS - NOTICES

### 1<sup>st</sup> HOLY COMMUNION - CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

At the 11.00am on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June we will conclude the Mass (weather permitting) with a Corpus Christi procession around the grounds and Benediction at the Calvary. All the children in the parish who have made their first Holy Communion this year have been invited to attend this Mass in their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion clothes, so that the whole parish can celebrate with them.

### 1<sup>st</sup> COMMUNION CELEBRATION PARTY

Parents of the 1<sup>st</sup> Communion children are reminded that the children will be having a party after the 11.00am Mass and Corpus Christi procession on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Please bring a plate of food for the children to share and a change of clothes for the children, so that they can change out of their 1<sup>st</sup> Communion clothes for games.

### FEAST OF OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

This year we will celebrate the Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians at the **9.30am Mass** on **Monday 25<sup>th</sup> May** (transferred from Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> because of the Solemnity of Pentecost).

**APF MISSIO** - would promoters please collect the Spring magazine from the church porch for distribution.

### MORNING PRAYER AT OUR LADY'S

Morning Prayer of the Church is celebrated at **9.10am** at Our Lady's on Mondays, Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays. We encourage parishioners who will be attending the 9.30am Mass on those days to come along and take part. At first it can be a little confusing to find the correct pages in the breviary, but guidance is always given and the more regularly you join in the more familiar you will become with how the celebration of the Daily Office works.

### THE ROSARY AT OUR LADY'S DURING MAY

On the Mondays of May the Rosary will be prayed after the 9.30am Mass at Our Lady's, with the special intention of praying for persecuted Christians around the world. All are warmly invited.

## ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST - NOTICES

### SUNDAY BRUNCH AT ST JOHN'S

The next Sunday Brunch at St John's (with bacon rolls) will take place on **Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> May**. All proceeds raised will go to support the work of Aid to the Church in Need. Patricia Hatton, who works for that charity, will be attending the 10.30am that day and will speak to us about the work their work of helping persecuted Christians around the world.

### PARISH PICNIC

I hope you all have the date in your diary, **Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> June** after the 10.30am Mass. I would ask that each family bring along a plate of savoury or sweet food that we can all enjoy. The Parish will provide the refreshments and some games for the children. If possible please bring the food into the hall before Mass that day. If you usually go to the Vigil Mass on Saturday evening please do come along. This is a Parish event. Let us pray for good weather. If you like any more information please see Geraldine Page at mass or ring 776100. Thank you.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION 2014

We still have photo's of your children. If you would like your child's photo back please collect them from the Church porch.

### RE-ORDERING OF THE CHURCH - MEETING POSTPONED

The meeting planned for this Sunday during which Fr Shaun had hoped to share the plans for the reordering of the church has been postponed as the Diocesan Art and Architecture Committee has asked for more time to consider our proposals.

## ST JOHN FISHER - NOTICES

### FIRST COMMUNION MASS

This year's First Communion Mass will take place at the 9am Mass on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> June. Six children and their families will be celebrating this special day and so regular attenders of the 9am Mass should be aware that the chapel is likely to be very full.

### CHRISTIAN AID

Thank you very much to all who so kindly helped in every way in the running of our Christian Aid Market. Willing helpers from all six Chorleywood Churches and customers from Chorleywood and many surrounding areas. Excellent results, better than last year, giving a total profit of £3080.00. Thank you very much to one and all.

### NEXT LADIES' MEETING

This will be on Tuesday, 26 May, 10.15am at Edith Moid's home, No. 2 Grenville Court. All will be very welcome.

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT BEFORE THE SATURDAY VIGIL MASS

Beginning on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> June** there will be 25 minutes of exposition of the Blessed Sacrament before the 6.00pm Mass on the first Saturday of the month. Exposition will begin at 5.30pm and conclude at 5.55pm. Prayer before Jesus present in the Blessed Sacrament is an important part of Catholic worship and devotion. We hope that parishioners who attend the 6.00pm Mass will avail themselves of this monthly opportunity for quiet and reflective prayer. While the Blessed Sacrament is exposed on the altar it is important that those arriving at the church for Mass try to be a silent as possible so that we can maintain an atmosphere of prayer and devotion.

	This Week 23 / 24 May				Next Week 30 / 31 May				
	Welcomer	Reader	Communion	Counters	Welcomer	Reader	Communion	Counters	
6pm Vigil	M Foggo	J Stratton	J Biel	Marguerite Watkins	M Fields	E O'Sullivan	C. Johnson	Mark Gibson	
9am Mass	M Calvert	C Holly	D Gibney	Ann Brew	A Opie	S Marston	J McEwen	Denis Gibson	
24 May Laundry: S Tarrant				29 May Church Cleaning: Volunteer					