

Sunday 5th June 2022

PENTECOST SUNDAY



Welcome to all at mass today and especially anyone who is new. Please take this Newsletter home with you. You may wish to share it with family and friends. This newsletter can also be found via our website. We ask God's blessing on you and your loved ones this week and know that we pray for you all each day.

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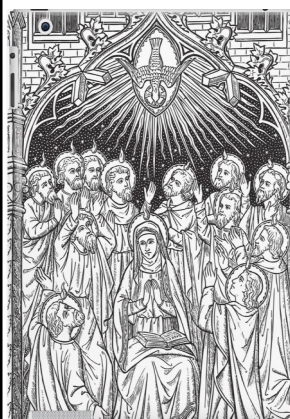
Divine Office
Week 2

For children,
download a weekly sheet:
<http://www.sdc.me.uk/sundayliturgy/>

THIS WEEK

Sun 5 June	PENTECOST SUNDAY
6.15pm	Brian Watson RIP
8.30am	Betty & Jim Cuniff RIP
9.45am	Lionel Alfred Stonehouse RIP
11.15am	Joseph Remedios RIP
5.30pm	THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH
Mon 6 June	The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church
9.30am	Sean Sweeney RIP
Tues 7 June	feria
9.30am	Maureen O'Rourke-Flemming Ints.
Weds 8 June	feria
9.30am	Dee Kelly Loader (13th Anniv.)
Thurs 9 June	OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST THE ETERNAL HIGH PRIEST
9.30am	Mary Nolan RIP
Fri 10 June	feria
9.30am	Eileen Harrison RIP
Sat 11 June	S. Barnabas, apostle
9.30am	Peter Ball RIP
Sun 12 June	THE MOST HOLY TRINITY
6.15pm	Patsy Donoghue (4th Anniv.)
8.30am	Raymond Purcell RIP
9.45am	Baptiste Fernandes Ints.
11.15am	Vera Dolan RIP
5.30pm	THE PEOPLE OF THE PARISH

TODAY'S MASS



The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the Feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The gospel today reminds us about the integral connection between the gifts of peace and forgiveness and the action of the Holy Spirit. Jesus greets his disciples with the gift of peace. Jesus then commissions his disciples to continue the work that he has begun: "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He breathes the Holy Spirit upon the disciples and sends them to continue his work of reconciliation through the forgiveness of sins.

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

The Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles gathered in Jerusalem.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13

We are all one in Christ Jesus.

Gospel Reading: John 20:19-23

Jesus appears to his disciples and gives them the gift of the Holy Spirit.

SPIRITUAL QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Pray, hope, and don't worry."

Padre Pio

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

DAILY MASS TIMES

SUNDAY MASS: 6.15pm (Saturday Vigil), 8.30am, 9.45am (Family) & 11.15am (Solemn), 5.30pm.

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday – Saturday 9.30am.

HOLYDAYS OF OBLIGATION: 9.30am, 8.00pm.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Friday 9.00-9.30am, Saturday 5.15-6.00pm.

CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5.15pm - 6.00pm. *and any time by appointment.*

DIVINE MERCY: Tuesday 10.30am.

ROSARY: Daily after Mass.

FOR YOUR PRAYERS

SICK & HOUSEBOUND: *Marie Rego, Eileen Kidd, Christopher Browne, Noel Gill, Tom Fernandes, Dee Auriol, Allan Noronha, Fiona Power, SMR, Aaran Thayaparan, Jocalyn Almeida, John, Rowland Watts Catherine Corcoran, Trezel Dias*

RECENTLY BAPTISED: *Mimi & Maya, Leo Barwinski*

RECENTLY DEPARTED: *Helen Golden, Concetta Terezino,*

ANNIVERSARIES OF THE DEPARTED: *Dee Kelly Loader (13th)*

SANCTUARY LAMP

Deacon Dan Daley—preparation for ordination

LAMP AT THE ALTAR OF OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM

Pompeyo Deveza RIP

POPE FRANCIS' INTENTIONS FOR June:

Families

We pray for Christian families around the world; may they embody and experience unconditional love and advance in holiness in their daily lives.



On Pentecost Sunday we celebrate the wonderful good news that the risen Lord has poured out his Spirit upon us, first of all to convince us of his victory over sin and death, and then to enable us to continue his work of salvation by our own love and

As fragile human beings, we know the experience of living in fear and of being anxious and worried about many things, some of which exist only in our imagination. Jesus, having absorbed the ultimate violence, offers us his peace and thereby enables us to be confident and joyful in the face of even severe uncertainty and threat. This represents a real experience of liberation from the paralysis of fear—a paralysis that often prevents us from doing beautiful and risky things, like giving cut flowers!

With this peace and joy comes the obligation to share our blessings with others. It was once thought that the command of Jesus to forgive or retain sins was addressed only to priests and referred only to the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Now it is clear that this charge is addressed to all the followers of Jesus. We must all accept the wonderful and awesome responsibility of offering or withholding forgiveness. In this case, the sin of omission looms large and should make us all examine our consciences in regard to the many times that we may have persisted in nursing old injuries or have refused to make allowance for extenuating circumstances in the lives of those we call sinners.

In this regard, we should recall the very strong words of Jesus in the Sermon on the Mount: *“Stop judging, that you may not be judged. For as you judge, so will you be judged, and the measure with which you measure will be measured out to you.”* (Matthew 7: 1-2) When we face the final judgment, we all hope to have a merciful judge and now we know how to assure that happy outcome.

It is, of course, very difficult to achieve such an ideal of forgiveness. And that is why Jesus offers us the Holy Spirit who, if given half a chance, will empower us to become the kind of gentle, caring, and compassionate persons that can make a real difference in a world that desperately needs the witness of love and forgiveness.

Let us all rejoice in this wonderful gift of the Spirit.

NEWS UPDATE



WELCOME to all at Mass today and a big welcome back if you have not been to Mass for a while due to the Covid restrictions.

THIS WEEKEND the Easter Season draws to a close with the celebration of Pentecost. Following Pentecost Sunday, the Paschal (Easter) Candle will be moved over to the Baptistry area where it is lit for Holy Baptisms. For funerals the candle will be placed near to the coffin, to signify that Christian death is a true Passover. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love!

PENTECOST SEQUENCE: The Sequence (on the Mass Sheet) is said directly after the second reading and before the Gospel Acclamation.

CHILDREN'S SUNDAY WORKSHEETS Are available again this weekend and are at the back of the church where you pick up the weekly sheet together with a basket of crayons (Please make sure you put these back neat and tidy. They are in two age groups: 3-6 & 7-12.

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE leaflets are available as you enter church. Please use them individually and as a family.

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE: THIS WEEKEND we continue to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. At the Masses this weekend, there will be a special intercession inserted into the Prayers of the Faithful, in honour of the Queen. The National Anthem will be sung after the Post Communion Prayer and notices. The final blessing will follow after the National Anthem.



THE NATIONAL ANTHEM

God save our gracious Queen!
Long live our noble Queen!
God save the Queen!
Send her victorious
Happy and glorious
Long to reign over us
God save the Queen!

Coffee and cakes in honour of the Queen in the café/Bar:
Sunday 5th June after the 9.45am & 11.15am
Tuesday 7th June at 1.00pm Over 60's club



Lord, save our Queen Elizabeth and hear us in the day in which we shall call upon you.

THE FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI falls on Sunday 19th June. Traditionally in the parish – pre Covid 19 – we have managed (just about) to keep the traditional *Quarant'Ore* (40 hours) watch before the Blessed Sacrament. That's probably not possible again this year, very sadly. However, we will have adoration daily between 13-18th June, 9.00-9.30am.

OTHER LITURGICAL DATES TO NOTE

The Most Holy Trinity Sunday 12th June
The Nativity of saint John the Baptist Thursday 23rd June
The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus Friday 24th June
Ss. Peter & Paul Wednesday 29th June

FUNERAL MASS of Helen Golden on Monday 13th June, the feast of St. Anthony, at 1.00pm, followed by burial in Alpertown Cemetery. Reception into Church the night before, 12th June at 7.00pm. May she rest in peace.

RETURNING TO ST GEORGE'S: The Catholic Bishops' Conference have released a statement about returning to Mass for Pentecost. If you are feeling anxious about returning to worship again, try coming to Mass on a weekday morning. Our weekday attendance numbers at Mass have not recovered as yet, since before the pandemic, so there is plenty of space and this is a good route back, to being with the Lord at Mass. If you feel you need more space, the Saturday evening Vigil for Sunday at 6.15pm and the 8.30am Sunday Mass are also still at pre pandemic numbers and therefore less busy. Face coverings are no longer mandatory in church but you are welcome to continue to wear a covering if you wish. Our new supply of face coverings is nearly exhausted – we have used up more in the past month than for the past 3 months combined. If you wish to wear a covering please bring one to Mass with you. We will not be reordering coverings once our current stock has been used up. The hand sanitisers will remain for the time being.

ROSARY AT HOME - If you would be interested in becoming part of the 'Rosary at Home' initiative, where a statue of Our Lady of Fatima is brought to your home for a period as you say the Rosary each day, please fill-in your details on the clipboard in the church porch.

DEACON DAN DALEY WRITES: "Thanks to your support and God's grace over the years, I am delighted to be able to invite you all to my priestly ordination on Saturday 25th of June at 10.30am in Westminster Cathedral. Please do keep me in your prayers over the next few months".

FR DAN DALEY'S (as he will be) FIRST MASS will take place here at 11.15am on Sunday 26th June at 11.15am. Everyone welcome – no tickets required. This will be followed by a lunch in the hall.

THE LUNCH following Fr Dan's First Mass needs you now to help. There will be clip boards for the next few weeks for you to sign up. **WE NEED SALADS AND PUDDINGS/SWEETS.** Can you help, please? **ALSO WE NEED PREPARERS AND THOSE WILLING TO DO THE WASHING UP.**

AND FINALLY, well be having a collection to give a fitting present to the new Fr Dan to mark the occasion. Thanks to all who gave last week. The collection will remain open for the next couple of weeks.

CONFIRMATION - We keep the newly-confirmed in prayer as they continue their journey of faith, having received the gifts of the Holy Spirit in the Sacrament of Confirmation. Thank you to Catechists & Parents/Carers for all their help & support throughout the Programme. We look forward to seeing the **Candidates at the Feedback & Celebration Session on Monday 13th June at 7.30pm.**

CALLING NEW READERS - Might you consider reading at one of the **Sunday Masses**? This ministry offers an opportunity both to reflect a little more attentively on the Word of God whilst also serving the community at Mass. The commitment is just once a month. There are some gaps in our regular rota that we are keen to fill a.s.a.p. If you might consider helping, please contact our Catechetical Coordinator, Peter, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk, for further information or speak to any of the Parish Team. Thank you.

CALLING NEW FHC CATECHISTS - Might you consider helping with our **First Holy Communion Programme**? This ministry offers an opportunity to help the children joyfully prepare for their First Confession & First Holy Communion

whilst reconnecting with our own faith. Sessions take place on Tuesday evenings from 7-8pm from September & May. If you might consider helping with the new Programme, beginning in September, please contact Peter, our Catechetical Coordinator, at peterkingsley@rcdow.org.uk or speak to one of the Parish Team for further information.

THE OVER 60's CLUB Lots of people and great fun too! Why not join them? All over 60's welcome – just turn up on Tuesday in the café/Bar at 1.00pm. Everyone welcome – and not just Catholics!

PLANNED GIVING – envelopes for 2022/2023 have been available for well over a month after the Sunday Masses. If you have not yet received yours they will now be sent out in the post (at great expense!!). **Please note these have only been assigned to those who have requested them. If you wish for a set please do contact the office (details on the front of the Newsletter). Also please note if you have not used your envelopes for the last two years you will need to re-request them.**

THE PARISH OFFICE will be open for booking Masses etc every Thursday and Friday after 10.00am – 3.00pm.

SPONSORING THE BLESSED SACRAMENT LAMP & THE LAMP AT OUR LADY OF WALSINGHAM is a lovely thing to do for a departed loved one or a particular intention. There are some possibilities in the month of April. Please contact the office.

REPOSITORY: Volunteers urgently required to assist in the Repository after all Masses. If you are able to help please contact Imelda on 07982683664.

CHURCH CLEANING: - Church cleaning takes place on **Mondays after the 9.30am Mass.** All are welcome! Thank you for all who are already helping out.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES ACROSS THE DIOCESE: for details go to: <https://jobs.rcdow.org.uk/>

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AT BUCHANAN COURT - Buchanan Court are looking for some new staff - Registered Nurses, Care Assistants, Kitchen Assistant & Housekeeping Staff. Students, who are only available Part-Time, are also welcome to apply. If you are interested, please contact Rohan Mathew at rohan.mathew@careuk.com.

THE UNIVERSE: Parishioners wishing to view the online version of The Universe can do so by subscribing to <http://www.universecatholicweekly.co.uk>

ST. LUKE'S MIDNIGHT WALK - Saturday 25th June, 10pm-3am. Book now to secure early bird rate at www.stlukeshospiice.org/midnightwalk or telephone 020 8383 8000 or see their website.



SUNDAY READINGS & PRAYERS

Antiphon *Wisdom 1: 7*

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

Collect

O God, who by the mystery of today's great feast sanctify your whole Church in every people and nation, pour out, we pray, the gifts of the Holy Spirit across the face of the earth and, with the divine grace that was at work when the Gospel was first proclaimed, fill now once more the hearts of believers. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.

Reading: *Acts 2:1-11*

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

Responsorial psalm: 103

*R/. Send forth your Spirit, O Lord,
and renew the face of the earth.*

1. Bless the Lord, my soul!
Lord God, how great you are.
How many are your works, O Lord!
The earth is full of your riches. *R./*

2. You take back your Spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your Spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. *R./*

3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!
May the Lord rejoice in his works!
May my thoughts be pleasing to him.
I find my joy in the Lord. *R./*

Second Reading: *1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13*

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one

body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

Pentecost Sequence

*Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height.
Thy pure beaming radiance give.*

*If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay;
All his good is turned to ill.*

*Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come, with treasures which
endure;
Come, thou Light of all that live!*

*Heal our wounds, our strength
renew;
On our dryness pour thy dew,
Wash the stains of guilt away.*

*Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow.*

*Bend the stubborn heart and will;
Melt the frozen, warm the chill;
Guide the steps that go astray.*

*Thou in toil art comfort sweet;
Pleasant coolness in the heat;
Solace in the midst of woe.*

*Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend.*

*Light immortal, Light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost
being fill.*

*Give us comfort when we die;
Give us life with thee on high;
Give us joys that never end.
Amen. Alleluia.*

Gospel Acclamation

*Alleluia, Alleluia!
Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the
fire of your love. Alleluia!*

Gospel: *John 20:19-23*

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.'

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

Prayer over the Offerings

Grant, we pray, O Lord, that, as promised by your Son, the Holy Spirit may reveal to us more abundantly the hidden mystery of this sacrifice and graciously lead us into all truth. Through Christ our Lord.

Communion Antiphon *Acts 2: 4, 11*

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

Prayer after Communion

O God, who bestow heavenly gifts upon your Church, safeguard, we pray, the grace you have given, that the gift of the Holy Spirit poured out upon her may retain all its force and that this spiritual food may gain her abundance of eternal redemption. Through Christ our Lord.