

FUNERALS AT THIS TIME

Funeral services will take place at the graveside or at a crematorium, subject to the conditions laid down by the cemetery or crematorium authorities. Arrangements will be made for a Mass to be celebrated *in memoriam* when we are allowed to gather.

**Funeral services ahead
Rita Belmar 2nd June**

PRAYERS FOR OUR RECENTLY LOVED ONES

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Christopher Ajayi, Alan Daniel, Sister Sylvia McCarthy, Ryan Daly, Confort Oparah, Charles Roberts, Krisnamah Durasamy, Gerard Eze Durueke, Rita Belmar and Margaret Tetenta.

Let us also pray for our priests who died recently : **Fr Bryan Jones, Fr Austin Garvey, Fr Fred Miles, Fr John O'Halloran, Fr John Helm, Fr John Coghlan, Fr John Seabrook and Fr Antony Conlon.**

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord
And let perpetual light shine upon them
May they rest in peace and rise in Glory. Amen

LIVE STREAMING MASS TIMES

Sunday Mass
10.00am

Weekday Masses
Monday - Thursday: 9.30am
Friday: 6.00pm
Saturday: 10.00am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Monday & Wednesday 6pm
Friday after 6pm Mass

Rosary
Tuesday & Thursday after 9:30 am
Mass. Saturday after 10:00am

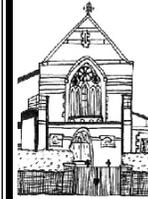
Sacramental Preparation

Catechetical programs now have been transferred to online programmes.

For First Holy Communion and RCIC:
<https://dynamiccatholic.com/blessed/first-communion/program-view/session-1>

For Confirmation:
<https://dynamiccatholic.com/confirmation/program-view/session-11/>

For RCIA:
<https://www.sycamore.fm/videos/>



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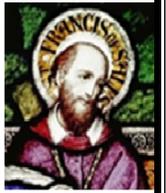
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Readings: Acts 1:12-14,14-17; Psalms 26(27):1,4,7-8;1 Peter 4:13-15; John 17:1-11

Seventh Sunday of Easter
Year A

Waiting in the upper room with Mary

We are coming to the end of the 50 days of Eastertide in a different and quiet strange time of lockdown. On Thursday we celebrated the Ascension of the Lord into heaven, where he went to take his place at the right hand of God the Father and send the promised Holy Spirit to his disciples. As today's first reading says the Apostles and some women including Mary the Mother of Jesus were gathered in the upper room, praying continuously. Well, this the image of the Church, that is you and me, that gathers in continuous prayer during this time of uncertainty and painful lockdown in which we are not able to be present physically praying in Church but we can be continuously praying in our upper room that is our homes. This month of May, the Church invites us to join in prayer to Mary our Mother, who has always been there to support the disciples of Jesus with her motherly care and strengthen them, you and me, in their/our fearfulness, weakness and lack of faith and understanding in the promise of Jesus. We have not been left as orphans, but we have our Father in heaven, our Mother Mary, whom the Lord has given to us at the Cross. These days of waiting for the Holy Spirit, the Lord invites to take Mary into our homes by praying the Rosary every day and praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit. "O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen."

Fr. David

Sunday at St Francis De Sales Church

Our live streaming Mass channel is

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC1kTxQ8IE31XI1_HTh779IQ/videos

Cardinal's message as we wait for the Holy Spirit:

<https://rcdow.org.uk/cardinal/news/cardinal-pray-fervently-for-the-coming-of-the-holy-spirit/>

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday People of the Parish, Freddie & Irene Boyaram RIP, Clency & Mike Charles RIP **Monday** Eileen Hanley INT **Tuesday** Nora O'Connor INT **Wednesday** Richard Andrew RIP **Thursday** Josephina D'Costa RIP **Friday** John Prendergast INT **Saturday** Christopher Ajayi RIP

REQUEST FOR MASS INTENTIONS AT THIS TIME At this difficult time the Diocese of Westminster allows us to offer Mass for more than one intention. If you would like to request a Mass intention, please contact the parish office by email or leave a message on parish phone with your number.

PARISH NEWS

EMERGENCY FOOD COLLECTION APPEAL. At this challenging time, there are many families who are struggling with food. Our parish is working together with the Felix Project, Caritas Westminster and now also with Fareshare which provides some fresh and dried free food on **Mondays from 3 to 5 pm at 729 High Road N17 8AG.** We are providing food for about 50-60 families but we need more help. We appeal to your generosity if you can provide the following items: **Pasta, rice, flour, long life milk, tins of tuna, tomato sauce, chickpeas, lentils, corn, fruit and any dried product** will be most welcome. If you are unable to bring it to the parish, a volunteer or Jakub will be able to collect from your door on Tuesdays or Thursdays afternoons. Please contact Fr David on the parish office phone or send an email to the parish. Food distribution works on first to arrive first served basis. However, if you are alone at home or unable to collect, phone the parish office and we will arrange a way to reach you. Thank you very much for your help. **For more information about our project's developments visit our website and read the additional weekly update on the page News.**

Re-opening of the church preparations- As we await eagerly to gradually return to the church, although we have no definite date yet, the parish team and myself are working on the preparations to put in place the safety measures required by the government. Please listen the Cardinal's interview on the reopening of churches here: <https://soundcloud.com/catholicchurch/cardinal-nichols-on-safely-re-opening-churches-for-private-prayer>

Parish News

Donations: We have received **£2,168** in Standing Orders in April, **£375** in envelopes and **£170** for Easter donations. Thank you for your generosity.

What do we do with our donations? Check our website on

<https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate/>. We recommend using the easiest way by donating through our newest Virgin Account. If you experience any problem accessing the bank account please contact the parish office, preferably via email.

Donations to Poor Families fund. We have received up to date **£990** in cash donations apart from donations in kind. Thank you so much for your generosity.

EMERGENCY APPEAL TO SUPPORT CARE HOME STAFF AND RESIDENTS The Little Sisters of the Poor have launched a vital fundraising appeal, in response to the increasing pressures faced by St Anne's Care Home during the current COVID-19 (Coronavirus) pandemic. Due to the recent Government restrictions, St Anne's Care Home in Stoke Newington has been forced to implement emergency measures to aid efforts to fight the Coronavirus pandemic. Unfortunately, along with residential visitations, this also includes cancelling charity events and collections which has had a massive impact on the donations we rely on to help with our increasing running costs. We are appealing for your crucial support at this uncertain time, to help us safeguard our Home and meet the ever-evolving needs of our Sisters, staff and residents. The Sisters will be grateful with whatever donations you can afford. Please visit www.littlesistersofthepoor.co.uk/donate-here/ Many thanks

Novena to the Holy Spirit - Day 3

Join in praying the Novena to the Holy Spirit Peace

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Let us bow down in humility at the power and grandeur of the Holy Spirit. Let us worship the Holy Trinity and give glory today to the Paraclete, our Advocate. Oh Holy Spirit, by Your power, Christ was raised from the dead to save us all. By Your grace, miracles are performed in Jesus' name. By Your love, we are protected from evil. And so, we ask with humility and a beggar's heart for Your gift of Peace within us. The Saints were tempted, attacked and accused by the devil who is the destroyer of peace. When we are accused by the devil, come to our aid as our Advocate and give us Peace that lasts through all trials! Amen. Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created. And You shall renew the face of the earth. O, God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit, did instruct the hearts of the faithful, grant that by the same Holy Spirit we may be truly wise and ever enjoy His consolations, through Christ Our Lord, Amen. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Read more at: <https://www.praymorenovenas.com/novena-to-the-holy-spirit>

A REQUEST OF FAMILY PHOTOS Fr David would like to ask you if you could send a photo of your family via email to the parish office, to put them on the benches of the church, to light up a candle and pray for you and with you. Thank you very much.