

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

BAPTISMS

Our next Baptism course will take place on Saturday **3rd June at 12noon** in the Parish Hall. Please contact Marcelle Jemide on the parish office phone or email before attending the course.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION MASSES 2023

Congratulations to all our children on their First Holy Communion!!!

A big thank you to all parents and catechists for all your support and prayers throughout the year.

CONFIRMATION

CONGRATULATIONS to all our young people who have been Confirmed on Friday 26th May by Bishop John Sherrington. A big thank you to all parents, catechists and Deacon Juan for their support. Pray that they will take their active place in our Church.

FUNERALS

For funeral arrangements, please contact the parish office and let us know the name of your loved one so that we can pray for his/her soul.

WEDDINGS

If you planning to get married, please call or send an email to the parish office. Couples wishing to marry here or in any Catholic Church need to give at least six months' notice of their intentions.

MASS TIMES

Monday 10am
Tuesday 10am
Wednesday Communion Service
Thursday 10am
Friday 7pm
Saturday 10am
Saturday (Vigil) 7pm
Sunday 9am and 11am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Saturday 10.30am to 11.15am

Confessions
Saturday 10.30am to 11.15am
Saturday 6pm to 6.45pm

Please pray for those who has recently fallen asleep in peace with the Lord:

Sean Kennedy, Agostinha Jones, Thomas Joyce, Gerald Patrick Kelly, John Joseph Burke, Mary Teresa (Maureen) Kiernan, Timothy O'Connor, Shane Kennedy, Selina Fernandes, Thomas Ryan, Linda Christine Butt, Margaret Ann Ball, Annette Moore, Lawrence Fernandez, Florence Okocha, Philomen Fernandes, Thomas Cosgrove, Virgilio Manalo, Dorothy Williams, Lodovina Pereira, Margaret Carr, Mary Derham, Juliana Asare, Anne Williams, Ivonne Harris, Catherine Everette, Aliyah Cardoso, Scarlette Yeboah, Luis Blanco, Seamus Cronin, Jason Kyriakides, Desiree Ann Seechan, Lyra Richards, Patricia Dilaver, Victoria Nma Odilli, Valentina Cuenco, Rene Petrousse Bernard (Bernie) Meaney and all our brothers and sisters who have fallen asleep in peace with our Lord.

Let your perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Amen



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Safeguarding Officer: Vicky Gowdie



Readings: Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 103:1,24,29-31,34;
1Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13; John 20:19-23

PENTECOST YEAR A-
28/05/2023

Pentecost and the new creation

The feast of Pentecost is celebrated by both, Jews and Christians. Along with the Feast of the Passover and the Feast of Tabernacles, Pentecost was one of the major feasts of the Jews. During these three great Jewish festivals, every male Jew living within twenty miles of Jerusalem was legally bound to go to Jerusalem to participate in the feast. The word Pentecost is Greek for *pentecostes* which means "fiftieth." The feast received this name because it was celebrated fifty days after the Feast of the Passover. Another name for the Jewish Pentecost is *Shebuot* or "The Feast of Weeks" (the "week" of seven Sabbaths between Passover and Pentecost). It was originally a day of thanksgiving for the completion of the harvest. Later, the Jews added to the Feast of Pentecost the element of the Lord's Covenant with Noah, which took place fifty days after the great deluge. Still later, they made this feast an occasion to thank God for the Commandments given to Moses at Mount Sinai, which occurred fifty days after the beginning of the Exodus from Egypt.

For us Christians, we celebrate Pentecost after 50 days of the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, in which the Holy Spirit descended upon Mary and the Apostles in the Cenacle, in the form of tongues of fire. This is the image of the new manifestation of God who descends on humanity as he did on Mount Sinai. The signs of his presence are similar to the Exodus 19 account: the strong wind, the shaking of the earth and fire are the new presence of the Lord descending on humanity and creating a new heart and new spirit in the Apostles. In this sense, the prophecy of Jeremiah has been fulfilled, 'For this is the covenant that I will make with the house of Israel after those days, declares the LORD: I will put my law within them, and I will write it on their hearts. And I will be their God, and they shall be my people.' (Jer 31:33). The Lord has made his whole creation new and has inscribed the Law of God in our hearts, enabling us to have the same spirit of Jesus as brothers and sisters, to live in unity and love. This is what we see happening in the Acts of the Apostles account, when we hear that the people who listened to Peter's preaching, they could hear him in their own languages. The Holy Spirit creates a unity of love among people and God. There is one language, that is the language of love, and God is love (1Jn 4:8,16). Humanity was scattered and lived in confusion in the past, as the story of the Tower of Babel says (Gn 11:1-9). Each one was following his/her own ways and projects alone and did not understand the language of the "other", because there was no "other", but just the "self". In other words, man and woman lived for themselves and could not love one another. The Lord by his death and Resurrection has created a new person, a new humanity in Communion with God and with one another. He has united us with God, who is love. Now we are able to fulfill Jesus new Commandment, "Love one another as I have loved you".

Sunday at St Francis De Sales Church

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of the Blessed Sacrament (Red) is offered for the special intentions of **Ify Eze**.

This week's Sanctuary lamp burning in honour of Our Lady (blue) is offered for the intentions of **Maria Emilia Pinhao**.

MASS INTENTIONS

Sunday 9am In Thanksgiving to the Holy Spirit, Maureen Kiernan ANNIV **11am** Thomas Maughan RIP, Maria Le Thi Ngoi **Monday 10am** Gloria Irrazaval RIP **Tuesday 10am** Juan Correa Errazuriz RIP **Thursday 10am** Ify Eze Thanksgiving **Friday 7pm** Ify Eze Thanksgiving, Christopher Salami Thanksgiving **Saturday 10am** Ify Eze Thanksgiving, For the Guardian Angels **7pm** Family Cosgrove in Thanksgiving to all 100 Parishioners

PARISH NEWS

A MUSICAL EVENING CONCERT ON FRIDAY 9TH JUNE IN SUPPORT OF THE PARISH YOUTH PILGRIMS GOING TO WYD 2023

We invite you to come and enjoy an evening of music, prayer and vocations stories in support of the parish young pilgrims going to the World Youth Day gathering in Lisbon in August 2023.

The Concert will take place on Friday 9th June starting at 6pm with performances by the young people, the parish choir and children's choir and some guests' performances.

Tickets for the Concert are available at the back of the church after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

We would like to invite you also to a Reception after the Concert in the Parish Hall. We have a limited number of available tickets due to the limited space we have in the Hall. Please purchase a separate ticket for this event.

DEACON JUAN SOLA'S ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND FIRST MASS

As you are aware Deacon Juan Sola will be ordained to the priesthood on Saturday 24th June at Westminster Cathedral at 10.30am. On Sunday 25th June he will celebrate his First Mass in our church at 12.30pm and followed by a Bring & Share Reception. We would like to ask all parishioners to help out cooking your national dishes which could be savoury or sweet and present it on Sunday 25th June.

For organizational (catering) purposes, Fr David and the Hospitality Team we would like to ask you to let us know what you could bring and share by writing it on the sheets made available at the back of the church, via email or phone to the parish office by Sunday 18th June. The parish will provide soft drinks. Donations for this Reception are welcomed.

Please pray for Deacon Juan and all the Deacons from our Diocese as they prepare for their Priestly Ordination.

THE GREAT HARINGEY DEANERY BANK HOLIDAY WALK 2023

Come and join the Great Haringey Deanery Holiday Walk on Bank Holiday Monday 29th May 2023. The Walk will depart from our parish at 9.15am. You can join for all or part of the day. Please sign your name on the list at the back of the church. For more details, please see the poster on the parish notice board.

PILGRIMAGE TO AYLESFORD JUNE 18TH 2023

The Knights of St Columba would like to invite you to be part of the pilgrimage to Aylesford on Sunday 18th June. For more details please contact or meet Godwin Galea at the back of the Church after Mass.

PLANNED-GIVING BOXES 2023-2024

The Planned Giving Boxes will be ready for collection. Please meet one of our parish finance committee members in the presbytery after Sunday Mass but our first preference is collection during weekdays from the Parish Office from 9am to 1pm or by appointment. Many thanks.

BINGO AND AFTERNOON TEA AND BISCUITS ON FRIDAYS

We would like to invite all parishioners and friends Bingo Afternoon Tea and Biscuits on every Friday. We started last Friday 26th May at 2pm. We gather in the parish hall on Brereton Road at 2pm. Just bring your bingo marker. Our next gathering and game is Friday 2nd June at 2pm. All are welcome!

EVENTS AT THE SPURS STADIUM – MAY AND JUNE 2023

Beyonce Concerts: Monday 29 May, Tuesday 30 May, Thursday 1 June, Saturday 3 June and Sunday 4 June 2023 at 6pm. Please be aware of the parking restrictions on events day. A number of side roads around the stadium are closed to general traffic access, from 4.30pm until one hour after the end of the event. **No vehicles other than emergency services and local residents/businesses or vehicles with the necessary permits are allowed to access the road closure zone.**

PARISH FINANCES

PARISH PLANNED GIVING DONATIONS

At this trying time, we are receiving less donations due to the consequences of the global health crisis which restricts the number of people attending Sundays Masses. These are some ways you can support us and help us to grow more.

1. We kindly would like to invite you to consider registering to any of our Planned Giving Schemes. If you have not registered yet, please let us know by calling on 02088083554 or send an email tottenham@rcdow.org.uk and contact our Parish Administrator Elisabete Veselovska.
2. At present the best way to help us is by setting up a Bank Standing Order, see details below.
3. If you are a taxpayer, please consider making a GIFT AID declaration for your donations, to enable the parish to claim back 25p for every £1 you donate.
4. We would ideally like to reduce the use of cash due to further costs incurred and would request that instead, if you can donate by card at church by tapping on the contactless machines as you go out of church or consider donating online through our website <https://parish.rcdow.org.uk/tottenham/donate>. Our bank details are as below:

Account Name: WRCDT Tottenham

Sort Code: 40-05-20

Account Number: 71264397

Thank you very much for your continued support and generosity.

DONATIONS:

We have received the previous week in Loose £503.85 Envelopes £319.00 Standing Orders (April) £3,293.

ST FRANCIS DE SALES BUILDING FUND

To-date we have raised a total of £31,393.68. Thank you very much for your generosity.