



CORPUS CHRISTI, TRING

Seventh Sunday of Easter
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On this Seventh Sunday of Easter the gospels each year are taken from Chapter 17 of Saint John's Gospel - the "priestly prayer" of Jesus at the Last Supper: this long prayer is a farewell message, where Jesus prays for all that the Church will have to be and do in the millennia after his Ascension – in other words, the time we are in now. This is his prayer for us.

The specific message this year is all about the continuity of the Church, using the example of Judas (the one who "chose to be lost") being replaced so that the College of Apostle may be twelve in number. The second reading gives account of this very significant moment in the earliest days of the Church. This event established what we call "Apostolic Succession" – the idea that just as Jesus had called and appointed Apostles, the Apostles themselves could also do this. It is the reason we call our Bishops "successors of the Apostles".

Another key point in this event is also the criteria that Peter puts forward ("... someone who was with us"). In giving this guideline, Peter emphasises the importance of preserving the teachings, words and action of Jesus Christ during his public ministry and ensures that the same is faithfully passed on down the ages.

Since we have just celebrated the Ascension last Thursday, and are now praying for the coming of the Spirit next Sunday, let us pray that the Spirit of the living God may fall afresh on the Church, to renew her vigour so that she will continue to faithfully preserve and proclaim the teachings and actions of Jesus Christ in our time.

Offertory

Loose Plate – £208.81 - Thank you for your generosity.

Children's Liturgy is held on Sundays at the 9.00 am Mass. Please bring your children along as it is a wonderful way for them to learn about the Scriptures.

The children listen to the Gospel reading, have a discussion and do a craft activity. We go from the church to the hall after the opening prayer and return for the offertory. Suitable for ages up to eight years old.

Mass Intentions for the Month of May

Sat 11 th	5.00 pm	David & Angela Briggs Anni
Sun 12 th	9.00 am 10.30 am	Romeo Romano & Guiseppe Ali Anni Amy Crossford Int
Mon 13 th	12 Noon	Maurice McGrath & All the Holy Souls
Sat 18 th	5.00 pm	Maurice McGrath R.I.P.
Sun 19 th	9.00am 10.30 am	People of the Parish

Confessions at 4.15 pm on Saturdays or on request

Sacrament of Baptism – is the gateway to all other Sacraments. We greatly encourage Holy Baptism for babies of families who, as a matter of fact attend Masses. As part of the preparation for a child's baptism, could the parents planning to have their baby baptised book an appointment to meet with Fr Joseph. We do need proof of baptism in the Catholic Church of at least one of the parents. Godparent(s) must be a Catholic, and has received the Sacrament of Confirmation. Baptism/Confirmation certificates or letter from Parish of Baptism confirming this will be required also for godparents.

Sick List

The Sick and the Housebound in our parish –
We pray especially for: Winifred Winstone, Elizabeth Le Juge de Segrais, Phyllis Edwards, Michael Glencross, Catherine Clifford, Willie Nordick, Pierre Corrun, Lana Ridley, Susan McQuinn, Pete Harrison, John Thornton, Ashley Dew, Eileen Carlton, John Egan

Anniversaries

We pray for all who are recently deceased and their grieving families.

Ministries for the weekend in April 2024

Saturday

Reader: Sue Wright

Eucharistic Minister: Jenny Brown

Sunday

9.00 am

Reader: Wendy Everitt

Eucharistic Minister: Lina Carmela

10.30 am

Reader: Heather Houston

Eucharistic Minister: Annabelle Halliday

Sanctuary Candle

The Sanctuary is available the following weekend 11th/12th for the week.

If you wish to have the Sanctuary Candle lit for a Special Intention or Anniversary, please let us know. The recommended donation is £5.00.

The Holy Rosary Prayer

– is said after the 9.00 am Mass on Sundays. Please come and join on us to pray for peace in our world and for other intentions.

Mass Intention Envelopes – Please fill in all the details on the Mass Intention envelopes which can be found at the back of the church. You can also gift-aid your Mass offering if you are a UK tax payer; but we will need the name/address of the donor to be able to claim the gift-aid. Thank you.

Dates still available for Mass Intentions - May

Sun 19th 10.30 am, 20th 12 Noon & Sat 25th 5.00

What Is a SPOG?

As SPOG's we are 'Special People of God.'
SPOG is Corpus Christi's YOUTH GROUP and all young ones in Year 4 (post F.H.C.) upwards to roughly Year 8.

Time: 6.30pm to 8pm.

Dates: Wednesdays during term time.

Venue: Church Hall.

Cost: £1.50 per session.

For the younger children it can be 6.30pm to 7.30pm, parents welcome.

There's plenty of tea/coffee!

We are very fortunate to have several invaluable adult volunteers who support the group.

Any queries: contact Tricia on her mobile: 07927 313165 or

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Parish Safeguarding Representatives (PSRs) -

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Church Offerings

If you are a weekly plate giver, would you please consider setting up a standing order. Our bank details are as follows.

WRCDT TRING
Sort Code: 40-05-20
Account Number: 91094998

Please do include your name as your reference. If you would like to gift-aid your donation please use the standing order form which can be found in the church porch. When completing the form, remember to tick the gift aid box if you are a UK tax payer. Thank you for your continued generosity and support to our parish.

Dates for your Diary in April

Choir Practice – Thursday evenings from 6.30 pm to 8.00 pm; please contact Tom (07791 748282) if you'd like to come along.

Meditation: Thursdays 8.15 pm – 10.00 pm

Everyone is welcome, the group meets in the Sacristy.

May 11th – Church Plant Sale 12 Noon – 4.00 pm – Please try come early to get the best plants.

May 12th - Sausage Sunday – After the 9.00 am & 10.30 am Masses

May 18th - from 8.00 am to 9.00 am - Churches Together Breakfast Sacred Heart, Berkhamsted — Set up will be around 7.45 am and the Breakfast will be at 8.00 am with prayers after breakfast. For further information please contact Patrick Mc Loone on 07949128562

May 22nd at 2.00 pm – Crochet & Knitting Group in the Hall

May 25th at 2.00 pm Sewing Group in the Hall

June 1st - Saturday – Corpus Christi are hosting the Churches Together Breakfast – 8.30 am – 9.30 am. More info and sign-up sheets will be given nearer the date.

June 2nd – 10.30 am Mass – First Holy Communion

June 29th 12.00 Noon – Tring's Justice & Peace Group will be at Tring Summer Carnival