NEWS AND VIEWS

Parish Pentecost Feast Sunday 8th June: Pentecost marks the coming of the Holy Spirit to empower and also bring harmony in the increasing diversity of the early Church. On Pentecost Sunday (8th June) beginning with the 12noon mass, we shall celebrate the richness of our cultural diversity in the parish. As much as possible, we aim to incorporate some bits of every culture in the parish into the celebrations.

1. The Mass

- a. We expect representatives of language groups to say a word of welcome in their language at the beginning of the mass. A sheet is provided on the desk behind for people to sign up the language group they'll be representing.
- b. We shall have the parish choir (to sing diversity of tunes).
- c. The 2nd reading will be in Gaelic (Irish).
- d. Bidding prayers will be rendered in different tongues.
- e. 'Our Father' will be recited in each individual's mother tongue.
- **2a. Socials in the Parish Carpark**. There will be a variety of activities and performances (please speak to Priests, Jerrico or the parish office if you have a performance you would like to do on the day).
- **2b. Meals** (to be coordinated by parish volunteers). We encourage all parishioners to contribute items for refreshment; foods, drinks and utensils. A sheet is provided behind for people to indicate the items they could bring.
- **3. Parish Pentecost Raffle:** Some raffle booklets will be sold from this weekend. There are still some more booklets so we need further help with the sales. The sales of the ticket will generate 20 winners and the rest will be allocated to the parish project fund.

Father's Day Celebration on 15th June: We are calling on all the men in our parish who wish to make this year's celebration a memorable one, please put down their names and be ready to serve at all the Masses they attend that weekend.

Volunteers needed at the Thursday Lunch at the centre: If you are free and able to offer your time between 9am— 12noon on Thursdays. The ladies have requested for help. Please contact parish office for more details.

Revive :Case worker needed, Location: Archway, London Position: PART TIME Contract: ONE YEAR

Salary: **Between £15- £18 per hour.** Revive is a grassroot community organisation for refugees, people seeking asylum and vulnerable migrants. We are therefore run by people with lived experience of war, famine, torture, and political conflict. We are looking for a, motivated and enthusiastic Case Worker who has an understanding of welfare/benefit system and relevant therapeutic Case work approaches and an experience of work with people who have experienced trauma; including refugees and people seeking asylum and vulnerable migrants. Successful applicant for the post will be subject to a satisfactory referencing and DBS check. Closing date for applications: 20th June 2025. Interview date: week beginning 23rd June 2025 **Contact for further information:** Joseph Kiwango or Moses Enehizena Email: admin@revive-uk.org

Parish Hall 2 @ 722 Holloway road is available for hiring at £60 an hour between 10am and 10pm. Please contact Ann Waldron and Joseph Baffoe on 07449110910 & 07961128416 respectively.

Prayer & Life workshops: A prayer and life workshop for adults continues to hold every Thursday going forward. We encourage more parishioners to take part. For more information Contact Mary: 07828455333 or Thelma: 07404026955.

Confirmation Classes 6.30pm: Wed, June 4th, 18th, July 2nd, Sat. 5th (Rehearsals). Bishop Hudson will celebrate the Confirmation Mass on 6th July at 11.30am.

First Holy Communion Lesson Dates in June 1st, 15th, Saturday 21st @ 10am, Sunday 22nd @ 11.30am (Celebration of 1st Holy Communion).

Christian Stewardship: 18th May 2025

Envelopes: £159 Loose: £606.21. We also receive £700 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support for our parish. Contactless Machine Update: In the meantime, anyone who wants to make a donation can pay into the parish account with the details provided below. WRCDT St Gabriels Upper Holloway Sort Code: 40-05-20 Account No: 01097024

MAY DIARY

Every Last Saturday of the month: Baptism (always confirm in the parish office)

Every Saturday at 10.30am: Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions in the main Sacristy

Every Saturday evening after Mass: Bingo in the meeting room

Every Tuesday after the noon Mass: Parish social forum in the Meeting Room
Every 1st Friday 12 noon: Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction followed by 100

Club in the Meeting Room 7.45pm. Parish Quiz in the Meeting Room.

DIARY DATES

8th June: Pentecost celebration @ 12 noon Mass 15th June all Masses: Father's day celebration Mass

day celebration Mass 13th July: Summer Fair after 11.30am Mass.

20th September: Pilgrimage visit within UK. (site to be decided)
25th October: Parish Auction

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We wish those who celebrate their birthdays and anniversaries during this week a happy celebration



FOOD FOR THOUGHT

"No one is perfect. That's why pencils have erasers."

"You always pass failure on the way to success."



Spiritans

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6th Sunday of Easter/ Year C

25th May 2025



We welcome all to today's mass especially visitors who are celebrating with us for the first time. Please take this bulletin home with you for further reflection on this week's celebration and to follow the activities in the Parish during the week.

REFLECTIONS ON THE GOSPEL

As Eastertide unfolds, we feel the power and influence of the Spirit growing. This is the Spirit who raised Jesus from the dead, and the Spirit who brings the Church to birth at Pentecost. As we journey towards Pentecost - the climax of the Easter Season - we should be considering the presence of the Spirit in the Church today: the reconciler of disputes, the solver of problems, true inspiration for the family of God on our journey to the New Jerusalem! From this side, Pentecost is about promise: the Lord at the Last Supper promises that He and the Father will be "at home" with all who keep his words - and it is the Advocate, the Holy Spirit who will remind us of these and all his words. We believe that all Scripture is "inspired" - the word of the Spirit - so as we listen or proclaim this Sunday let us look for the fulfillment of the promise made by the Lord.

Mass Times & Intentions 25th – 31st May 2025

Sat 24th 6:30pm: Livia Gaudio, David Stack, baby Arthur (RIP), Thomas Meegan (ANN), Patricia & James, Shevlin family, Mary Dunne (INT)

Sun 25th 9:00am: Pietro Piroli, Patricia Davin, baby Arthur, (RIP), Ekanem Oku-Kurz (ANN), Patricia & James, Shevlin family, Essien-Oku family (INT)

11:30am: Roderick Mathurin, Livia Gaudio, baby Arthur (RIP), Bridie McDaid (8th) (ANN), KC Maduako & family, Patrick Folan, Patricia & James, Shevlin family (INT)

6:30pm: baby Arthur (RIP), Anna Doherty, Patricia & James, Shevlin family (INT)

Mon 26th St Philip Neri 12 noon: Seamus Oliver McMahon, baby Arthur (RIP), Patricia & James, Shevlin family (INT)

Tue 27th St Augustine of Canterbury 12 noon: baby Arthur (RIP), Ekanem Oku-Kurz (8th) (ANN) Patricia & James, Shevlin family, Jason Odugbesan (INT)

Wed 28th baby Arthur (RIP), Patricia & James, Shevlin family (INT)

Thurs 29th The Ascension of the Lord: Masses at 12 noon and 7:00pm

Fri 30th 12 noon: baby Arthur (RIP), Patricia & James, Shevlin family (INT)

Sat 31st The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 12 noon: baby Arthur (RIP), Patricia & James, Shevlin family (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Jarlet Fallon, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Bridget Munnelly, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Mary Dunne, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Madeleine Hourihan, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Gloria Munian, Teresa O'Dea, Percy Shackell, Eddy Renwick, Gino Avanzi, Nicholas Stephens, Anastasia Nervais, Margaret Foley, Prince Henshaw, John Alan, Rashmi, Joan Fitzgerald, Savindra de Alwis, Padra Williams, Winston Fernando, Lourdes Bastardo, Norman Wills, Cronin Hehir, Maura O'Leary, Artoro Davila, Margaret Nelson, Mary Brady, Teresa McDonagh, Dee-Arn Sewell, Christine Cheah, Valentine Olayemi, Mary Mullee, Elizabeth Ortega, Gomes family, Sally S, Private Intentions, Agnes Quainoo, Hannah Conwell

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit

Parish Priests: Fr. Moses Enchizena CSSp, Fr Augustine Isah Katuka CSSp, Fr Martin Goba CSSp, Jerrico Luna CSSp Parish Office Team: Patricia Essien-Oku, Maureen Tayler, Mary Aherne, Joan FitzGerald

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Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, before Masses Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am

Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction: First Fridays 12noon Prayer/Faith Group: Sat. 10am Mission Statement: To animate a loving multicultural Christian community

Gentle reminders: Please turn off your mobile phones. You have the right to remain silent ...

TODAY'S READINGS

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

OPENING PRAYER

Grant almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. 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.

FIRST READING Acts 15:1-2.22-29

In those days: Some men came down from Judea and were teaching the brothers, 'Unless you are circumcised according to the custom of Moses, you cannot be saved.' And after Paul and Barnabas had no small dissension and debate with them, Paul and Barnabas and some of the others were appointed to go up to Jerusalem to the Apostles and the elders about this question. Then it seemed good to the Apostles and the elders, with the whole Church, to choose men from among them and send them to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas. They sent Judas called Barsabbas, and Silas, leading men among the brothers and sisters, with the following letter: 'The brothers, both the Apostles and the elders, to the brothers and sis- Alleluia, alleluia! ters who are of the Gentiles in Antioch and Syria and Cilicia, greetings. Since we have heard that some persons If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord, have gone out from us and troubled you with words, un- and my Father will love him, and we will come to him. settling your minds, although we gave them no instructions, it has seemed good to us, having come to one ac- Alleluia. cord, to choose men and send them to you with our beloved Barnabas and Paul, men who have risked their lives GOSPEL for the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. We have therefore sent Judas and Silas, who themselves will tell you the same things by word of mouth. For it has seemed good to the Holy Spirit and to us to lay on you no greater burden than these requirements: that you abstain from what has been sacrificed to idols, and from blood, and from what has been strangled, and from sexual immorality. If you keep yourselves from these, you will do well. Farewell.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 67)

Let the peoples praise you, O God; Let all the peoples praise you.

May God be gracious and bless us and let his face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your salvation.

Let the nations be glad and shout for joy, with uprightness you rule the peoples; you guide the nations on earth.

Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you. May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him.

SECOND READING

Revelation 21:10-14.22-23

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The angel carried me away in the Spirit to a great, high mountain, and showed me the holy city Jerusalem coming down out of heaven from God, having the glory of God, its radiance like a most rare jewel, like a jasper, clear as crystal. It had a great, high wall, with twelve gates, and at the gates twelve angels, and on the gates the names of the twelve tribes of the sons of Israel were inscribed — on the east three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. And the wall of the city had twelve foundations, and on them were the twelve names of the twelve Apostles of the Lamb. And I saw no temple in the city, for its temple is the Lord God the Almighty and the Lamb. And the city has no need of sun or moon to shine on it, for the glory of God gives it light, and its lamp is the Lamb.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

John 14:23-29

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him and make our home with him. Whoever does not love me does not keep my words. And the word that you hear is not mine but the Father's who sent me. These things I have spoken to you while I am still with you. But the Helper, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, he will teach you all things and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you; my peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let them be afraid. You heard me say to you, "I am going away, and I will come to you." If you loved me, you would have rejoiced, because I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. And now I have told you before it takes place, so that when it does take place you may believe.'

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness. we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God, who restores us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food. Through Christ our Lord.

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION PRAYER (For Online Mass)

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You.

Mass	Readers	Eucharist Minster	Stewards
Sat. 6.30pm	Ann Heekin	June G	Joan Fitzgerald/Jeanette Fayers
Sun. 9.00am	Paula Zanre	Olga Monpeke	Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Sun. 11.30am	Joseph Baffoe	June G & Mary A	Bernie Shevlin/Joseph Baffoe
Sun. 6.30pm	Eugenia Ackah	Roxanne C	Joseph Ogbonna

THE GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise You, We bless You, We adore you, We glorify You, We give You thanks for Your great glory. Lord God, heavenly King, O God, the almighty Father Lord Jesus Christ, the Only-begotten Son. Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; You take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer. You are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One,

You alone are the Lord. You alone are the Most High. Jesus Christ, with the Hol Spirit,

in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God; begotten not made, consubstantial with the Father. Through Him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation He came down from heaven, (all bow) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary and became man. For our sake He was crucified under Pontius Pilate. He suffered death and was buried and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead, and His kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

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