

# NEWS AND VIEWS

Fr Aodh's Memorial Mass will be held on Saturday the 28th of May at 2pm here in our parish. May his soul and the souls of the faithful rest in peace.

**Parish Pentecost Festival 5th June:** This annual event which we celebrate the richness of our cultural diversity both liturgy and in socials after the Mass.

- We shall have the vigil (Sat. 6.30pm), 9am and the 11.30am (Sunday) Intercultural Pentecost Mass that weekend.
- **Dress Code:** Traditional
- **Mass:** At the beginning of the Mass, we shall be welcomed in different mother-tongues. **Bidding prayers will also be taken in different tongues.** The singing will be in diverse languages. The 2nd reading will be in Gaelic with the usual English translation.
- **Socials 1 Meal:** We shall rely mainly on food donations from parishioners for the day so we expect each parishioner or family to provide some food and refreshment items. A sheet is provided behind for people to indicate the food and/or drinks they will be providing.
- **Socials 1 Entertainment:** The following will be part of the social activities in the Parish Carpark and the Meeting room.
  - Bingo games
  - BBQ, Popcorn, Icecream/Lollies will be on sale.
  - Sculpture, Arts & Crafts, etc

Any proceeds generated will be used for the Parish Outreach project.

- **Planning:** Please speak with the Parish Office or Joe Ogbonna 07947643252. The ongoing preparatory meetings will be deliberated on the designated Whatsapp group. **While the rehearsals will be held on Thursday the 2nd of June.** All who have ideas to share are invited at these meetings.

**First Holy Communion 2021/2022 diary dates:** May 29th, June 12th at 10.15am, Saturday 18th June Reconciliation & Rehearsal at 10am. Please enter through the parish car park. **Sunday 19th June @ 11.30am Celebration of First Holy Communion.**

**Maureen Philomena McCarthy (RIP)** Died 9th May aged 78 yrs. A former parishioner. Funeral mass will take place at Our Lady of Muswell, 12pm Wednesday 25th May. Followed by Burial at Islington & St Pancras Cemetery 2pm. *Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon*

**100 Club:** the next draw will take place after the 10am Healing Mass on Friday 3rd June. Subscriptions can be handed in at all weekend Masses by 29th May or at the presbytery by Wednesday 1st June at the latest. **New members welcome.**

**Christian Stewardship:** (15th May 2022) **Envelopes:** £228 **Loose:** £288.37 **Contactless:** £83.59 We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support of our parish.

## May Diary

Wednesday 25th 7pm: **Pentecost Joint Choir Practice.**  
 Thursday 26th 10am & 7pm Masses: **The Ascension Of The Lord.**  
 Friday 27th 7pm: **Baptism Preparation with families**  
 Saturday 28th 10am: **Baptism follows immediately after the 10am Mass.**  
 Every Saturday at 10.30am: **Faith Sharing/RCIA sessions**  
 Every Last Saturday at 12noon: **Baptism**  
 Every 1st Friday: 12 noon **Healing Mass / Holy Hour / Benediction**  
 8pm **Parish Zoom Quiz night followed by 100 Club Draw**

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



While working for an organisation that delivers lunches to elderly people, Jane used to take her four-year-old daughter on her afternoon rounds. She was unfailingly intrigued by the various appliances of old age, particularly the canes, walkers and wheelchairs. One day, Jane found her staring at a pair of false teeth soaking in a glass. As she braced herself for the inevitable barrage of questions, the girl merely turned and whispered, "The tooth fairy will never believe this!"



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+ 6th Sunday of Easter Year C  
22nd May 2022

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.

## REFLECTION ON THE GOSPEL

### Reflection for 6th Sunday of Easter year C

The prominent figure that appears in all the readings of this sixth Sunday of Easter is the Holy Spirit. As Jesus is gradually approaching the end of his earthly ministry, he promised to send us the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the radiant glory that will enlightens us. But we have to be open to Him so as to guide us in all our decisions and ways through life. In the gospel, as Christ is about ascending back to his father, he promised to send the Holy Spirit- the Advocate to his disciple. The Holy Spirit is the power of Jesus and yet, a Person in the Trinity. However, this does not mean that His era was coming to an end, because He is Lord at all times. Rather, it implies that He will not be leaving us orphans. Hence, Jesus assures us that the Holy Spirit will teach and remind us of all that, He himself had taught us. So, all we need to do is to open up our hearts to the counsel of the Holy Spirit. We need to be attentive to Him if we must be able to read the signs of our time and succeed in our mission today.

### Mass Times & Intentions 22nd – 28th May 2022

- Sat 21st Vigil Mass 6:30pm:** Brendan Nelson, Michael O'Neill, Ann Colbert (RIP), Mary McKinney, O'Riordan family, Paul McKinney family, Willis family (INT)
- Sun 22nd 9:00am:** Vinny Magee, Ann Colbert (RIP), Chris & Charles Connell (ANN), Spencer Stilwell, Stella Anakor, Fr Ben Baka, Jeremy Platten, All GCSE & A LEVEL examination students (INT)
- 11.30am:** Tony Mackey, Caroline De Vasconcelos, Peg Murphy, Michael Mangan, Margaret Wall, Vince Magee Shane Nagle (RIP), Mary Parker (ANN), Evang. Ebuka Obi, Fr Ben Baka, KC Maduako & family (INT)
- 6:30pm:** Tom Carr (RIP), Padraig, Tom & Anne Marie Peril (ANN), Ferdia Costelloe (INT)
- Mon 23rd: 10:00am:** John Beard (ANN), Philip & Tunu, Ekanem & Uche, Amy & Larry, Udoh family, Emo & Paddy, Stella Anakor, Essien-Oku family, Effy Inam & family (INT)
- Tue 24th 10:00am:** Stella Anakor, Ann Colbert, Mary Gallagher, Jean Faal (INT)
- Wed 25th St Bede the Venerable 10:00am:** Carlo Avanzi (RIP), Pietro Piroli (ANN), Fr Ben, Vivien Adams, Russell family (INT)
- Thur 26th The Ascension of the Lord: Masses at 10:00am & 7:00pm**
- Fri 27th St Augustine of Canterbury 10:00am:** Tony Mackey (RIP), Ekanem Oku-Kurz (ANN), Jason Odugbesan (INT)
- Sat 28th 10:00am:** Anoja Fernando (INT)



Rebecca Campbell, Babs Kavanagh, Ella Humphreys, Rita Avanzi, Nancy Olaiya, Jarlet Fallon, Nora Hoare, Ann Larkin, Mary Wallace, Christopher Jerome, John Bruno, Theresa Reilly, Mary Slow, Isabella King, Derek Gomes, Mary Burton, Frank Gibbons, Maria Kuozwatski, Philip Mayne, Giovanna Spittle, Bridget Munnely, Brian Coleman, Shiela Farrell, Augustina Okelue, Mary Theresa Madigan, Christopher Nelson, Paddy Essang, Padra Williams, Phillip Duggase, Terry Earley, Elizabeth Earley, Mary Mullarkey, Mary O'Connell, Bernadette Ikwuka, Margaret Togher, Geraldine McKeaney, Mary Dunne, Lina Piroli, Pilar, Christy & Maria Christopher, Lourdes Sisneros, Angela Fairbank, Emmanuel & Magdalene Debonne, Douglas Meyers, Sylvia Traynor, Danielle, Lilian Montague, Frances Quinn, Tony Colbert, Kathleen Panayiotou, Maureen Walsh, Gabby Mehmet, Freda Glackin, Maureen Currie, Joan McGonigal, Debbie Whitehed, Emo Paddy Essang, Melissa Fallon, Madeleine, Jimmy Mills, Stella Anakor, Jacinta, Marie Therese Tourette, Mary Gallagher, Rita Atuanya, Gloria Munian

Parish is served by the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) Congregation of the Holy Spirit  
**Parish Priests:** Fr. David Atuanya CSSp, Fr. Benedict Baka CSSp, Fr. Oliver Ugwu CSSp  
**Parish Office Team:** Patricia Essien-Oku, Maureen Tayler, Mary Aherne, Joan FitzGerald  
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**Pastorals/Devotions:** Confessions Sat 11am, 6pm, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament/Meditative Rosary: Sun. 10.30am  
**Healing Mass/Holy Hour/Benediction:** First Fridays (New time) 12noon Legion of Mary: First Wed. 6.30pm Monday  
**Prayer Group:** 1st & 3rd Mon. 6.30pm  
**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 top 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. **Amen.**

## FIRST READING Acts 15:1-2.22-29

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders. Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them: 'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us; and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols; from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 66)

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

O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us. So will your ways be known upon earth and all nations learn your saving help.

**R.**

Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. **R.**

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. **R.**

## SECOND READING Apocalypse 21:10-14.22-23

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb. I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

### Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus said: 'If anyone who loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him.' **Alleluia.**

## GOSPEL John 14:23-29

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen 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. **Amen.**

## 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 restore 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. **Amen.**

Mass	Readers	Eucharist Minister	Stewards
Sat. 6.30pm	Joanna Hemingway	June Gray/Debra	Joan Fitzgerald/Bernie Shevlin/Jeanette Fayers
Sun. 9.00am	Maureen Taylor	Innocent/Olga	Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Sun. 11.30am	Ignatius Etukudoh	June/Mary A	Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Sun. 6.30pm	Bridget O'Dea	Michelle Carr	Joseph Ogonna

## The Prayer Of the Synod: Adsumus Sancte Spiritus

Attributed to St. Isidore of Seville (560-636), it has been traditionally used at Councils and Synods for hundreds of years. The version below was specifically designed for the Church's Synodal journey from 2021 to 2023.

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts;

Teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right. All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever. Amen.

### 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 Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,

the Father Almighty,

Creator of heaven and earth,

and in Jesus Christ, His only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,

born of the Virgin Mary,

suffered under Pontius Pilate,

was crucified, died and was buried;

He descended into hell;

on the third day He rose again from the dead;

He ascended into heaven,

and is seated at the right hand of God the Father

Almighty;

from there He will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit,

the Holy Catholic Church,

the communion of Saints,

the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body,

and life everlasting. Amen.

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- Minors **MUST not** go to the toilets, rooms, or outside the church during services unaccompanied.
- There **MUST be** at least 2 adults present at any ministry to minors e.g. Children's Liturgy, Catechism and Youth Club.
- Vulnerable people **MUST be** accompanied in the Church.

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