

NEWS AND VIEWS

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
 - **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 2 Entertainment**
 - 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.

Proposed Pilgrimage to Walsingham will take place on the **2nd of July**. All interested should make their payments of **£30** which will be heavily subsidised by the parish for it to be affordable. It will also be on a first come bases. For more information speak to anyone in the parish office.

Weekday Mass Times returns to **12noon** from **Monday 6th June**. Thank you for your understanding.

Collection to Support the mission of the Holy Ghost Fathers (Spiritans) worldwide to be taken at the Pentecost Masses. This collection is authorised by the Diocese. Please pick up the envelopes for this.

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.

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: (22nd May 2022) **Envelopes:** £188 **Loose:** £336.87 **Contactless:** £127.82 We also receive £500 weekly from standing orders. Thank you for your continuous support of our parish.

June Diary

Wednesday 1st 7pm: **Pentecost Joint Choir Practice.**
 Thursday 2nd 7pm : **Pentecost Rehearsal in the Church.**
 Saturday 4th 11am: **Pentecost Decoration immediately after 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

Charles, a new retiree-greeter at Wal-Mart, just couldn't seem to get to work on time. However he was a good worker, really tidy, clean-shaven, sharp-minded and a real credit to the company and obviously demonstrating their "Older Person Friendly" policies. One day the boss called him into the office for a talk. "Charles, I have to tell you, I like your work ethic, you do a great job when you finally get here, but your being late so often is quite bothersome." "Yes sir, I know, and I am working on it." "Well good, you are a team player. That's what I like to hear." "Yes sir, I understand your concern and I'll try harder." Seeming puzzled, the manager went on to comment, "It's odd though about your timing. I know you're retired from the Armed Forces. What did they say to you there if you showed up in the morning so late and so often?" The old man looked down at the floor, then smiled. He chuckled quietly, then said with a grin, "They usually saluted and said: "Good morning General, can I get your coffee sir?"



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+ 7th Sunday of Easter Year C
29th 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 the 7th Sunday of Easter Year C

Today is the seventh Sunday of Easter and Sunday before Pentecost. Just a week before the Pentecost the theme of unity re-echoes in today's gospel reading of the highly priestly prayer of our Lord. "Holy Father, I pray not only for them, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, so that they may all be one" In this priestly prayer, Christ prays for all those who will come to believe in Him through the teachings and testimonies of his apostles (that is we all). Christ prayed for His apostles and also for us. The fruit of this prayer is very eloquent in the unity that marked the apostolic teaching and witnessing. They handed over to generations after them down to us an undiluted and message of the gospel. This message in its purity, they bore unanimous witness to even to the extent of testifying to its truth with their blood. Jesus' prayer reminds us that our unity, our "oneness" is to be a sign to the world of God's love for us in Jesus Christ. Oneness and unity is about love. And if you have been a part of a family, a member of a church, or a community, you know that within that love there can be disagreements and squabbling. We are human. But the mystery of the incarnation is that God desired unity with us so much that God became one of us. And in that moment, we were drawn into the oneness of God It is with God's help that we can live in that oneness. However, today in our World, disagreement, war, and fight among us in our families, communities, church or workplace. Injustice, tribalism, racism and prejudice etc. is eating down the bond of unity among us, let us give the Holy spirit a chance to make the prayers of Christ for unity come to fruition in our lives today. Humanity is one big Family, let us embrace unity in all ramifications of life and understand that we are all brothers and sisters whether white or black, young or old. This can only be possible when we are united in our hearts and actions.

Mass Times & Intentions 29th May – 4th June 2022

Sat 28th Vigil Mass 6:30pm: Brendan Nelson, PJ Mullally, Ann Colbert, Mary Reilly, Arnold George (RIP), Thomas Meegan, Bridie Redmond (ANN), Mary Aherne, Denis Walsh(birthday) (INT)

Sun 29th 9:00am: Carlo Avanzi, Pietro Pirlì, Vinny Magee, Ann Colbert, Christina Walsh, Alan Mullee (RIP), Mary Aherne & family, Andrew Brennan, Brennan family, Mullee family, Georgina Attwell (INT)

11:30am: Nelly Curley, Tony Dromey, Ann Colbert, Nora O'Connell, Maureen Cleary, Assunta Turin (RIP), Bridie McDaid, Alf Humphreys (ANN), Chait Bhawanlall, Fr Ben, Mary Aherne (INT)

6:30pm: Philip & Tunu, Ekanem & Uche, Amy & Larry, Udoh family, Emo & Paddy, Stella Anakor, Essien-Oku family, Effy Inam & family, All GCSE & A LEVEL examination students (INT)

Mon 30th: 10:00am: Neil O'Donnell, Paul Breslin, Vince Magee, David Murtagh, Ann Colbert (RIP), Mary Aherne (INT)

Tue 31st The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary 10:00am: Ann Colbert (RIP), Sam Haslam, Rica Coelho (INT)

Wed 1st 10:00am: St Gabriel's Outreach Project Volunteers

Thur 2nd Sts Marcellinus & Peter 10:00am : Spiritans & Marists Communities, Archway.

Fri 3rd St Charles Lwanga and Companions 10:00am: 1st Friday Healing Mass, Holy Hour & Benediction

Sat 4th 10:00am: Wendy Winser (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 Whitehead, 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

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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

O Lord, hear my voice, for I have called to you; of you my heart has spoken: Seek his face; hide not your face from me, alleluia.

OPENING PRAYER

Graciously hear our supplications, O Lord, so that we, who believe that the Saviour of the human race is with you in your glory, may experience, as he promised, until the end of the world, his abiding presence among us. Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. **Amen.**

FIRST READING Acts 7:55-60

Stephen, filled with the Holy Spirit, gazed into heaven and saw the glory of God, and Jesus standing at God's right hand. 'I can see heaven thrown open' he said 'and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God.' At this all the members of the council shouted out and stopped their ears with their hands; then they all rushed at him, sent him out of the city and stoned him. The witnesses put down their clothes at the feet of a young man called Saul. As they were stoning him, Stephen said in invocation, 'Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.' Then he knelt down and said aloud, 'Lord, do not hold this sin against them'; and with these words he fell asleep.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Ps 96)

**R. The Lord is king,
most high above all the earth.**

The Lord is king, let earth rejoice,
the many coastlands be glad.
His throne is justice and right.

R.

The skies proclaim his justice;
all peoples see his glory.
All you spirits, worship him.

R.

For you indeed are the Lord
most high above all the earth
exalted far above all spirits.

R.

SECOND READING Apocalypse 22:12-14. 16-17. 20

I, John, heard a voice speaking to me: 'Very soon now, I shall be with you again, bringing the reward to be given to every man according to what he deserves. I am the Alpha and the Omega, the First and the Last, the Beginning and the End. Happy are those who will have washed their robes clean, so that they will have the right to feed on the tree of life and can come through the gates into the city. I, Jesus, have sent my angel to make these revelations to you for the sake of the churches. I am of David's line, the root of David and the bright star of the morning. The Spirit and the Bride say, 'Come.' Let everyone who listens answer, 'Come.' Then let all who are thirsty come; all who want it may have the water of life, and have it free. The one who guarantees these revelations repeats his promise: I shall indeed be with you soon. Amen; come, Lord Jesus.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

**I will not make you orphans, says the Lord;
I will come back to you, and your hearts will be full of joy.**

Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 17:20-26

Jesus raised his eyes to heaven and said: 'Holy Father, I pray not only for these, but for those also who through their words will believe in me. May they all be one. Father, may they be one in us, as you are in me and I am in you, so that the world may believe it was you who sent me. I have given them the glory you gave to me, that they may be one as we are one. With me in them and you in me, may they be so completely one that the world will realise that it was you who sent me and that I have loved them as much as you love me. Father, I want those you have given me to be with me where I am, so that they may always see the glory you have given me because you loved me before the foundation of the world. Father, Righteous One, the world has not known you, but I have known you, and these have known that you have sent me. I have made your name known to them and will continue to make it known, so that the love with which you loved me may be in them, and so that I may be in them.

PRAYER OVER THE GIFTS

Accept, O Lord, the prayers of your faithful with the sacrificial offerings, that through these acts of devotedness we may pass over to the glory of heaven. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Father, I pray that they may be one as we also are one, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Hear us, O God our Saviour, and grant us confidence, that through these sacred mysteries there will be accomplished in the body of the whole Church what has already come to pass in Christ her Head. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. **Amen.**

Mass	Readers	Eucharist Minister	Stewards
Sat. 6.30pm	Ann Heekin	June Gray/Debra	Joan Fitzgerald/Bernie Shevlin/Jeanette Fayers
Sun. 9.00am	Rachel McGonigal	Innocent/Olga	Essien E-Oku/ Gabriel E-Oku
Sun. 11.30am	Joseph Baffoe	June/Roxanne	Bernie Shevlin / Ignatius Etukudoh
Sun. 6.30pm	Tracey Mullett	Michelle Carr	Joseph Ogbonna

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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