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*Parish Office opening times for Admin-*

*Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 9:30am- 3:00pm.*



## Pentecost Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021

### MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS THIS WEEK

<b>23<sup>rd</sup> May 2021</b>  <b>PENTECOST SUNDAY</b>	<b>6:00 (Sat. Vigil Mass)</b>	<b>Mona Moran – R.I.P Anniv.</b>
	<b>8:30 am Mass</b>	<b>Hans Gross R.I.P</b>
	<b>11:00 am Mass (live-streamed via ZOOM)</b>	<b>For the Parish</b>
24 <sup>th</sup> May Monday Blessed Virgin Mary	9:15 am Mass	Terry Kennedy – R.I.P
25 <sup>th</sup> May Tuesday	No Mass	
26 <sup>th</sup> May Wednesday St Philip Neri	9:15 am Mass	Joan Glovar- R.I.P
27 <sup>th</sup> May Thursday Our Lord Jesus Christ The Eternal High Priest	9:15 am Mass	Ofelia Villegas – R.I.P
28 <sup>th</sup> May Friday Feria	9:15 am Mass	Delvie Pender R.I.P
<b>29<sup>th</sup> May Saturday</b> <b>St Paul VI</b>		<i>11:00-12:00 noon Confessions and by appointment</i> <b>For the Parish</b>
<b>30<sup>th</sup> May 2021</b> <b>THE MOST HOLY TRINITY</b>	<b>8:30 am Mass</b>	<b>Sean Keady – Ints</b>
	<b>11:00 am Mass (live-streamed Via ZOOM)</b>	<b>Ludvinia King - Ints</b>

### The Deep End - The Spirit will guide *(Mark P. Hederman)*

In today's Gospel, we see that Jesus is comfortable with an element of mystery. Speaking to the disciples before his arrest, Jesus is preparing them for the gift of the Spirit. The word he often uses is 'Advocate', meaning helper or comforter, indicating the disciples will not be left to struggle on alone. We hear Jesus say that the complete truth is too much for the disciples now. The mysteries of his life, death and Resurrection, and the implications for his followers - all will become clearer in due course. The Spirit will guide you, he says. Not everything is revealed at once.

Then in our first reading from Acts, we recall the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, just as Jesus promised. The disciples gathered together when they have a powerful experience of the Holy Spirit, urging them out into the streets, proclaiming the Good News. The time has come. They must have remembered Jesus' promise then, finally understanding what he meant when he said the Spirit would lead them, when the time was right.

The Spirit is still at work in our world. As our journey continues - as humanity, as church, as individuals - the Spirit unveils God's message for our place and time. The Spirit is that life-giving force that animates our world, inspiring and energising us. Our task is to listen, to be awake to the many ways God speaks to us and calls us into the life of God. 'I have always pleaded for a deep listening to the voice of the artist in our midst, and also to the supreme artist who tries to lead us to completion, the Holy Spirit of God.'

### PASTORAL LETTER

The Cardinal has, with the other Bishops of England and Wales, issued a Pastoral Letter to be read and distributed in all churches during this weekend. We have also inserted a copy in the newsletter, so you can read it at home at your leisure. The text can also be found on the diocesan website [www.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.rcdow.org.uk).

## SACRAMENTS

*Some of the following catechetical programmes have been delayed, or the meetings suspended due to pandemic precautions. Hopefully we will begin to offer all these ministries soon.*

### Government Guidelines during lockdown in celebrating the Sacraments:

The guidelines to date, limit number for funerals to 30 people only regardless of the size of the church. 6 for Baptisms. These regulations will be changed shortly (after 17<sup>th</sup> May) so watch this space.

In the current situation in the case of funeral Masses, we request you not to attend unless specifically invited by the family of the deceased.

**MARRIAGE-** Six months' notice must be given, even if you're marrying elsewhere to gather and process the paper work. Please contact Fr. Gideon. To make an appointment email: [holloway@rcdow.org.uk](mailto:holloway@rcdow.org.uk)

Due to a change in the law we are no longer able to issue civil marriage certificates for Marriages that took place in our church. These can now be obtained directly from the local Registrar in the Town Hall.

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION PROGRAMME

Please pray for our children preparing for their First Holy Communion. They are going to be enrolled during Inscription Mass this Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 10:00am.

**Next Parents' meeting is on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> May at 7:00 pm in the parish hall.**

### Foodbank-Sacred Heart Community Response.

The food bank project is rapidly growing. At the moment there are more than 100 families registered, where over 400 people are receiving help. Contribution of non-perishable products are welcome. You can also contribute financially. Please put "*Food Bank*" as reference when donating. Thank you.

### **The products most needed are:**

Rice, Pasta, tuna, tinned tomatoes, tea, sweetcorn, porridge oats, baked beans, long life milk, etc.

Toiletries: Hand wash, shower gel, toothpaste, deodorant, washing up liquid, nappies etc. If you would like to donate these items, please leave them at the back of the church and they will be taken to the Food bank room.

**Next Date: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> May from 11:30am - 1:00pm only.**

**MARRIAGE SUPPORT –** This website may be of help if you have concerns about your marriage: [www.retrouvaille.org.uk](http://www.retrouvaille.org.uk)

## OUR MISSION STATEMENT

*"We are a welcoming, nourishing living parish, inspired by the Sacred Heart to serve and radiate this love to all."*

**We ask for your charitable prayers for those who are sick at home and in hospitals, the recently deceased and those whose anniversaries are at this time...**

### **For the sick and the housebound and those who care for them:**

Catherine Wright, Eric Ebo Essuman, Madeline, Joyce Fleming, Rachel Kennelly, Marie Dorrian, Sean Christian Elizabeth Feeley, Michael Bradley, Margaret Collins, Mary Ryan, Angeles Wong, Tony Reilly, Mary Egan, Colman Connelly, Ngozi Elong, Lil Traynor, Christopher Browne, Brian Conway Crystal Green, Ludvinia King, Patrick Doolan, Margaret Toolan, Rosa Santos, Bridie Prior, Mary Wong, Michael & Cathy Bailey, Ada Bacarini, Martine Rainsford, Christopher Fradley, Charlie Crane Eileen Ely, Barbara Baptiste, Margaret Mulroy, Alison McGoff, Martin Cooke, Stephanie Enepi, Chris Eisen and all who are sick and housebound in the parish.

### **Anniversaries**

Mona Moran, Elisa Vanin, Stanley Richards Ann McKenna, Joe Neary, Mark Joseph, Frances Byrne Puric Dolan, Ramon Fideles, Margaret Dolan, Joan Neary, Beryl Genovese.

### **Please Pray for the Recently Dead:**

Michael Reardon, Claire Hallmark, John Sweeney, Rose Otoo, Tirso San Juan Austria, Jose Arcanjo de Campos, Sophia Darr, Lily DeNobrega, Ruby Flynn, Derek Turner, James Donnelly, Gareth Bryant, Marcial Sta. Maria, Willie Agustin, Rose Paeste, Tom Kelly, Erlinda Holguin, Robert McMullan, Evelyn Green, Lea Joseph.

*Eternal rest grant unto them Lord, and let your light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.*

## Cautiously Easing to a "New Normal?"- New COVID Guidelines:

Social distancing in places of worship is still mandatory although, this has been reduced now to 1m. This will increase the safe capacity of the church. Face coverings are still mandatory unless you have an exemption. Stewards are still needed at all weekend Masses in order that the safe capacity of the church can be monitored. The Church must be cleaned once a day, not between Masses, but touch points such as door handles must be cleaned frequently. There will be a review of the guidelines on 21<sup>st</sup> June.

### **Rosary Garden Open Day**

29 May 2021, 1:30pm - 5:30pm

St Dominic's Priory - the Rosary Shrine, Saint Dominic's Priory, Southampton Rd, London NW5 4LB, UK

The Rosary Garden of St Dominic's Priory will be participating in a special open day for the National Garden Scheme. Proceeds from the sale of cakes and tea and tickets to the garden will go to charity.

Booking is essential so please click on the link to pre-book: <https://ngs.org.uk/view-garden/42299>

On this day the church will also be open from 12 noon onwards, with Mass at 6pm and Rosary procession at 7pm.

### **Volunteers are always welcome:**

If you have some spare time, we are always in need of volunteers to clean the church, to help in changing light bulbs, enthusiastic gardeners who can help Fr Gideon with the 'greening' of the courtyard. Please inform the parish office.

### **FLOWERS**

Donations are welcome to decorate the church on our Feast Day of the Sacred Heart on 11<sup>th</sup> June. Let us make our church even more beautiful. We will be collecting this starting next weekend.

## Lens of the Gospel Mark 16:15-20

1. Jesus recognized that his disciples were not capable of taking in everything at once. Wisdom about life comes slowly and sometimes painfully. Hearing the 'right' answer at the 'wrong' time does not help us. We need to be ready and open to receiving the truth if it is to have any impact. Perhaps you can recall some occasions when it was the 'right' time for you to learn a truth about life. Remember your experiences of growth in understanding.
2. The Spirit can guide us to understanding in different settings. Understanding may have come to you when you were praying or reflecting on your life. Perhaps the Spirit guided you through the words of someone close to you, or through the words and actions of people you read about or saw on TV. Remember and give thanks for the people who have helped you to greater wisdom in life.
3. The Spirit also speaks to us through 'the signs of the times'. The church has lived through a troubled decade or two, and society has been through a turbulent year with the pandemic. How do you think the Spirit is speaking to us at this time?
4. Wisdom is handed on from person to person, and from generation to generation, within families, within communities, etc. Are there any particular gems of wisdom that you cherish from what has been handed on to you? What wisdom would like most of all to pass on to those close to you?

### **Readings next Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> May, The Most Holy Trinity**

Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40. Romans 8:14-17  
Matthew 28:16-20

### **CONTACTLESS DONATIONS:**

In a few weeks' time from now we are pleased to introduce a contactless payments terminal for weekly or one-off donations. It will be situated at the back of the church. The system has been approved and trialled by the Diocese and is designed to offer an alternative to loose plate donations.

There is also the facility to add gift aid to your donation which will be linked to your payment and will gift aid all future donations made using the same method.

Please refrain from using this system if you are already in planned giving via Standing Order or Weekly envelopes except for one-off donations. Thank you very much for your generosity.