



# Ordinariate and Parish Church MOST PRECIOUS BLOOD

*a Catholic Parish in the Archdiocese of Southwark  
in the Pastoral Care of the Ordinariate of Our Lady of Walsingham*



## PENTECOST

31st May 2020



**In the gospel reading today**, we hear of the coming of the Holy Spirit on the Church. The message 'Jesus is Lord' must be preached to every corner of the earth. We cannot do this unless we receive the Holy Spirit. Today we pray that we may be open to the power of the Spirit and that he will come and fill the hearts of the faithful.  
Alleluia!

**The Lord is risen, Alleluia!** We continue to celebrate the Resurrection and this is the last day. Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

**Wear something red**, even though you may not be going outside, it's still a fun way of celebrating the gift of the Holy Spirit.

**Pray for the Holy Spirit** to come. He will renew you, animate you, and set you free.  
*Come Holy Spirit, come.*

**Please continue** to follow the Government guidelines. Avoid unnecessary travel, keep your distance, wash your hands!

**Help!** Check on friends and neighbours, if they need help. Fiona is maintaining the list and putting people in touch.

**Return to Church** is not likely to be for a while yet. Do not lose heart. This is a wonderful chance to develop and deepen our relationship with the Lord.

**Mass continues on-line** at our usual times. The live-stream goes 'live' 10 mins before each Liturgy.

**How is it going?** Would you complete a brief survey to take a measure of where we are? /returnsurvey

**Take full part** in the Mass on-line: stand, sit, kneel, speak, as normal.

**Pentecost is today**, also sometimes known as *Whitsun*, the 50th day since Easter Sunday.

**Eastertide Ends today!** After Evensong today the Paschal Candle will be placed near the font, and we return to Ordinary Time. The Spirit has been given to us to continue the work of Jesus Christ, which is the work of the Catholic Church.

**The *Vidi Aquam*** –Waters of Life - will be celebrated for the last time today, as will the *Regina Caeli*. Tomorrow we return to the *Angelus and Kyries* - Lord have mercies.

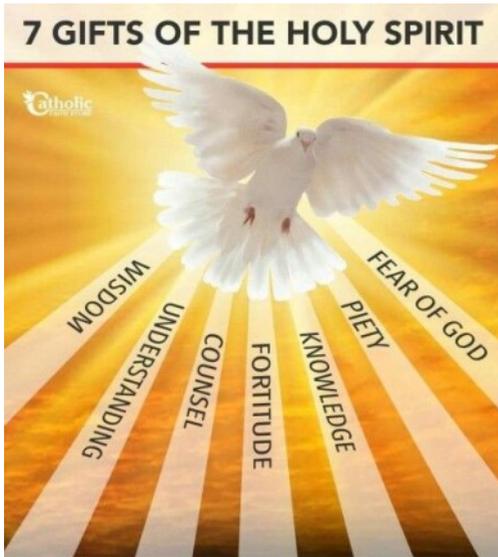
**Trinity Sunday** is next week as we celebrate God who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

**Corpus Christi** is the following week.

**The Sacred Heart of Jesus** is the devotion for June. Do you have an image of the Sacred Heart in your home?

**A Rosary Rally** this Sunday: a chain of prayer moving around the country. Each diocese has been allocated a time-slot, this diocese is 3-4pm. We will live-stream from MPB.





This weekend, the Church celebrates Pentecost, one of the most important feast days of the year that concludes the Easter season and celebrates the beginning of the Church.

Pentecost always occurs 50 days after the death and resurrection of Jesus, and ten days after his ascension into heaven. Because Easter is a moveable feast without a fixed date, and Pentecost depends on the timing of Easter, Pentecost can fall anywhere between 10th May and 13th June.

The timing of these feasts is also where Catholics get the concept of the Novena - nine days of prayer - because in Acts 1, Mary and the Apostles prayed together "continuously" for nine days after the Ascension leading up to Pentecost. Traditionally, the Church prays the Novena to the Holy Spirit in the days before Pentecost.

The name of the day itself is derived from the Greek word *pentecoste*, meaning 50th. The reason Pentecost falls 50 days after Easter comes from a parallel Jewish holiday, Shavu'ot, which falls 50 days after Passover. Shavu'ot is sometimes called the festival of weeks, referring to the seven weeks since Passover.

Originally a harvest feast, Shavu'ot now commemorates the sealing of the Old Covenant on Mount Sinai, when the Lord revealed the

Torah to Moses on Mount Sinai. Every year, the Jewish people renew their acceptance of the gift of the Torah on this feast.

So what happens at Pentecost? In the Christian tradition, Pentecost is the celebration of the person of the Holy Spirit coming upon the Apostles, Mary, and the first followers of Jesus, who were gathered together in the Upper Room. A "strong, driving" wind filled the room where they were gathered, and tongues of fire came to rest on their heads, allowing them to speak in different languages so that they could understand each other. It was such a strange phenomenon that some people thought the Christians were just drunk - but Peter pointed out that it was only the morning, and that the phenomenon was caused by the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit also gave the apostles the other gifts and fruits necessary to fulfil the great commission - to go out and preach the Gospel to all nations. It fulfils the New Testament promise from Christ that the Apostles would be "clothed with power" before they would be sent out to spread the Gospel. The main event of Pentecost, the strong driving wind and tongues of fire, takes place in Acts 2:13, though the events immediately following, Peter's homily, the baptism of thousands, continue through verse 41.

It was right after Pentecost that Peter, inspired by the Holy Spirit, preached his first homily to Jews and other non-believers, in which he opened the scriptures of the Old Testament, showing how the prophet Joel prophesied events and the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost. He also tells the people that the Jesus they crucified is the Lord and was raised from the dead, which "cuts them to the heart." When they asked what they should do, Peter exhorts them to repent of their sins and to be baptised. According to the account in Acts, about 3,000 people were baptised following Peter's sermon.

For this reason, Pentecost is considered the birthday of the Church - Peter, the first Pope, preaches for the first time and converts thousands of new believers. The apostles and believers, for the first time, were united by a common language, and a common zeal and purpose to go and preach the Gospel.

## Fruits of the Spirit Word Search



The fruits of  
the Holy Spirit are:

- ✕ FAITHFULNESS
- ✕ GENTLENESS
- ✕ GOODNESS
- ✕ JOY
- ✕ KINDNESS
- ✕ LOVE
- ✕ PATIENCE
- ✕ PEACE
- ✕ SELF-CONTROL

You can look them up  
Galatians 5:22-23

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Saturday 13th June  
10.30am

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*Come*

*Holy Spirit*

**I** - te, missa est, alle-lú-ia, alle- lú- ia.

## This Week: Mass & intentions

Day	Time	Intention
<b>This Sunday</b> <i>Pentecost</i>	11.00am	Parishioners
Mon 1st <i>Mary, Mother of the Church</i>	1.05pm	James Finn <i>foundation</i>
Tues 2nd <i>(Ss Marcellinus &amp; Peter)</i>	1.05pm	George Harrington <i>foundation</i>
Wed 3rd <i>St Charles Lwanga et al</i>	1.05pm	Ed. Hartley <i>priest ✕ recently</i>
Thur 4th <b><i>Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</i></b>	1.05pm	<i>Return Priests' first love</i>
Fri 5th <i>St Boniface</i>	1.05pm	Francis Hartley <i>priest ✕ recently</i>
Sat 6th <i>(OL on Saturday)</i>	10.00am	
<b>Next Sunday</b> <i>Most Holy Trinity</i>	11.00am	Parishioners

**Next Week's Readings** Exodus 34:4-6.8-9 2Corinthians 13:11-13 John 3:16-18

**Sacrament of Confession.** By appointment and only in emergency

**Evensong** 4.00pm, Sunday & Benediction, *live-stream*  
6.30pm, Thursday *live-stream*

**Last week:** £990.00 Standing Orders and On-line payments

**Safeguarding.** The parish is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and vulnerable adults and expects all staff and volunteers to share this commitment. Safeguarding Officers: Kate Pope, Richard Hughes, Justina Onuorah. 0800 0935063

**Holy Father's Intention for June: *The Way of the Heart.*** We pray that all those who suffer may find their way in life, allowing themselves to be touched by the Heart of Jesus.

**The Ordinariate weekly intercessions:** The Manchester Group and Fr Andrew Starkie.

### For your prayers:

*In formation:* for Ministry, Br Philip OP (Jeff Gerlomes)

*Those who are Sick:* Dora, Mary, Ada, Mark, David, Rebecca, George, David  
And for all those with Coronavirus

*Coronavirus:* The medical profession, doctors, nurses, first responders, support-staff, research scientists, those who make big-impact decision, esp those in government & cobr

*Recently Departed:* Edmund Hartley *priest*, Francis Hartley *priest*, Geoffrey Kirk,

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