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PENTECOST SUNDAY SUNDAY 20th MAY 2018

Birthdays deserve to be celebrated. They are occasions when we can be thankful for the gift of life, and for the love we have received. They provide the opportunity for families to get together and recall good memories from the past and also a chance to look to the future, aware of how far we have come. So it is with Pentecost.



Today is the birthday of the church, a time for us to celebrate who we are and to rediscover what it means to be the people of God. Down through the centuries the Holy Spirit has guided the church, despite the weaknesses of its members, both clerical and lay. We have the witness of many generous and heroic people who have been 'led by the Spirit' and whose lives have given eloquent testimony to the power of God at work in them. Today, then, let's take heart and invoke the Spirit of God that we may be filled with a joyful appreciation of who we are and what we have to give. This brings with it many challenges, since for many religious people their faith acts as a sort of security blanket, offering certainty and security. However, the good news is not about how things were in the past but about the Spirit of God at work now and always.



DEVOTIONS TO MARY IN THE MONTH OF MAY

May Devotions to the Blessed Virgin Mary refer to special Marian devotions held in the Catholic Church during the month of May honouring the Virgin Mary. There are many ways to celebrate this particular devotion both in your homes and the Church.



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

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 Jesus Christ, 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.'

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING Acts 2:1-11

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles



When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.

Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.

The word of the Lord. R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Psalm 39(40):2,4,7-11

R. Here I am, Lord! I come to do your will.

I waited, I waited for the Lord and he stooped down to me; he heard my cry. **R**

He put a new song into my mouth, praise of our God. Many shall see and fear and shall trust in the Lord. **R**

You do not ask for sacrifice and offerings, but an open ear.
You do not ask for holocaust and victim. Instead, here am I. *R*

In the scroll of the book it stands written that I should do your will.
My God, I delight in your law in the depth of my heart. *R*

Your justice I have proclaimed in the great assembly.
My lips I have not sealed; you know it, O Lord. *R*

SECOND READING

Galatians 5:16-25

A Reading from St Paul letter to Galatians

If you are guided by the Spirit you will be in no danger of yielding to self-indulgence, since self-indulgence is the opposite of the Spirit, the Spirit is totally against such a thing, and it is precisely because the two are so opposed that you do not always carry out your good intentions. If you are led by the Spirit, no law can touch you. When self-indulgence is at work the results are obvious: fornication, gross indecency and sexual irresponsibility; idolatry and sorcery; feuds and wrangling, jealousy, bad temper and quarrels; disagreements, factions, envy; drunkenness, orgies and similar things. I warn you now, as I warned you before: those who behave like this will not inherit the kingdom of God. What the Spirit brings is very different: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, goodness, trustfulness, gentleness and self-control. There can be no law against things like that, of course. You cannot belong to Christ Jesus unless you crucify all self-indulgent passions and desires. Since the Spirit is our life, let us be directed by the Spirit.

The word of the Lord. **R. Thanks be to God.**

SEQUENCE

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which endure
Come, thou light of all that live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow

Thou in toil art comfort sweet
Pleasant coolness in the heat
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength renew
On our dryness pour thy dew
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and will
Melt the frozen, warm the chill
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts descend:

Give us comfort when we die
Give us life with thee on high
Give us joys that never end.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

John 15:26-27,16:12-15

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Advocate comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who issues from the Father, he will be my witness. And you too will be witnesses, because you have been with me from the outset. 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will tell you of the things to come. He will glorify me, since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.

The Gospel of the Lord. R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE NICENCE CREED

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, and by the Holy Spirit (all bow) *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.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

I Reading: Deuteronomy 4:32-34, 39-40 Responsorial Psalm: 32

II Reading: Romans 8:14-17 Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters that my sacrifice and your may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.



THE MYSTERY OF FAITH.

Save us, saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION RITE

Deliver us, Lord, we pray...

For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever

Behold the Lamb of God...

Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

I will pasture my sheep; I myself will give them rest, says the Lord. Alleluia.

PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

SENIORS DAY: Thank you very much to everyone who helped to ensure that last Sunday we had a joyous celebration. A special thank you to all those who helped in setting up the hall, helped in cooking, flower arranging, entertainment and singing.



FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: we keep in our prayers all the boys and girls who are preparing for their First Holy Communion on **Sunday 10th & 17th June at 2pm**. We continue to pray for their families and the catechists as they journey with them in their preparation.

PARISH COUNCIL: will meet on Thursday 24th May at 7.30pm. All the members are requested to attend.

SILENCE: please help the members of our parish family to pray **KEEPING SILENCE AS YOU ENTER THE CHURCH**. It is our responsibility to help those who are on their knees praying if not disturb them.

PILGRIMAGE TO POLAND: please keep in your prayers all the fifty-five pilgrims who will be travelling to **Poland 23-28 June**. Those who have booked a place are requested to make **the final payment by 8th June**.

ANNIVERSARY: It will be 10th ordination anniversary of Fr Shaju on **Thursday 12th July**. All of you are invited to a special anniversary Mass on the day at 7.30pm followed by a meal in the Hall. And on 9th November we will join Canon John to celebrate his 40th Ordination Anniversary.

NOVENA AND FEAST DAY IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY: to conclude the devotion to Our lady in the Month of May, parish will have a **Novena begins on Thursday 24th May at 10am & 7pm.** The novena will conclude with the **Feast Day Mass on Thursday 31st May at 7pm.**

ELECTRONIC VERSION OF THE NEWSLETTER: if you wish to receive a copy of our newsletter every week by email, please write your email ID in the sheet which can be found in the Porch.

GIFT AID SCHEME ENVELOPES: New Gift Aid envelopes come into use on the first Sunday in June and the Gift Aid organisers will be in the porch to hand out the envelopes before and after all Masses on the weekends 26/27 May and 2/3 June. If you have signed a Gift Aid Declaration please make sure to collect your supply of new envelopes on one of those weekends .

New members will also be most welcome to join. All that is required is that you use an envelope which is provided for the money you put in the collection and that you sign a form to confirm you are a taxpayer and wish the tax you have paid on the money you put in the collection to be paid to the parish. You do not have to commit to any particular amount of contribution but if you join the scheme every pound you put in your envelopes will be worth £1.25 to the Church. Thanks to existing members for past contributions and a warm welcome to those who wish to join for the first time or return to the scheme after a period of absence. **Last year we received £ 22701.89 in tax return which helped us to pay the diocesan levy (DDF) of £23200 to the diocese.** Any enquiries can be emailed to giftaid@stbonifacetooting.org.uk or telephone Tony on 020 8767 5293.

ALTAR SERVERS & THEIR FAMILIES: You are invited on a trip to the seaside on **SATURDAY 7th JULY.** The coaches will leave St Boniface at 9am.

CHILDRENS' LITURGY: The Parish encourages parents to take their children to the Parish Hall for the Children's Liturgy from **10.30am-11am** on Sundays. Parents can leave the children in the hall as the Catechists will look after them and your children will re-join you at the Offertory time.

CAKE SALE: this **SUNDAY 20th MAY** after the 10.30am Mass in aid of Little Village, a charity which gives gifts of new toys, clothes and nappies to local families in need is being organised by Mary Hardy and Eileen Taylor.

SOCIAL EVENTS: The **TNT BAND** are playing in the Main Hall this **SATURDAY 19th MAY.** See Tommy (in the Coffee Shop) for tickets £12 with a curry supper. Full bar available. **Doors open 7pm music starts 8.30pm.** **QUIZ NIGHT on FRIDAY 25th MAY** in the front lounge. £5 Quiz only and £10 with supper. All proceeds will go towards the Parish Building Fund.

CHURCH CLEANING: Thank you very much to all those who have volunteered to clean the Church on Mondays. Please do not forget about your duty according to the Rota. This Monday is **week 3 (Team 3) at 10am.**

NEED TO SEE A PRIEST: If you need to see a priest to sign a school supplementary form, discuss about baptism or a wedding or a private matter, please come to the **Parish Open House** on **FRIDAY 25th MAY** from **6pm – 7.30pm**. No appointment needed.

TO BAPTISE A BABY: Please discuss with a priest at the Parish Open House held on most Fridays from **6pm – 7.30pm** in the Parish Office.

HOSPITAL VISITS: If you or a family member are admitted to St George's Hospital and would like to see a priest, please contact Fr Jonathon Routh, the hospital chaplain on 020 8725 3069. In an emergency, please ask the ward staff to contact the Catholic priest on call.

We offer our prayers to Amrita NUNKROO who died recently . We offer our sympathy and prayers to her family. May she rest on peace!

PARISH PRAYER LIST

Please remember in your prayers all those on our parish prayer list.

The Sick: Nilojan Mariyathas, Jill Hart, Betty Joyce, Mary & Tony Hardy, Esther Daley, Clifford Tetteh, Norman Mendonca, Irene Mendonca, Julianna Hayfron, Nino Abel, Patricia Xerri, Albert Folvi, Terence Rodrigues and Marciana Tangcay.

Recently Deceased: Lewis Leung Loy, George Koo Mo Shan

Anniversaries: Charles Childs, Doreen Pulman, John Bateman, Jacques Mauqice, Hannah Macheta, Ann Moiyun, Michael Mooney, Martine Cayolle, Alistair McCuaig, Cieszawa Clark, Walter Cumberland, Maria Maharaj, Norman Cox, Patrick Ryder, Charles Atiko. **May they rest in peace – Amen.**

	19th & 20th May	26th & 27th May
	LITURGICAL READERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	John Dennehy, R Edward Kennedy	Agnela Cabral, Ethna Power
09.00	Rexon Rebidelmo, Sandra Nyakudya	Pat Connors, Jeanet Leyton
10.30	Kieran Kelly, Cyprian Rutkowski	Rose Andora, Fortune Musonda
12.00	Charmaine Fernandes, Mikhaela Dayaday	Colleen Lue, Ronald Cabrera
18.30	Sally Canizo, Michael Lobo	Ivon Kandiah, Remija Mponzi
	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS (please collect a copy of the rota)	
Sat18.30	Juliana De Souza, Ethna Power, Michael Soupraya	Debra Anton, Matchel Bibat, Doris Cubero
09.00	Kuriakose Antony, Pat Connors, Angus Xavier	Luiza Lobo, Erica Summers, Jane Parper
10.30	Ann Lusena, Srikanth Lusena, Therese Onyebalu	Josie McCarthy, Brenda McGrath, Rui Rodrigues
12.00	Angelo Aningalan, David Lobo, Rosemary Kanagaratnam	Bernadine & Denis Fernandes, Mary Rainford
18.30	Reya Mathai, Isabella Mitchell, Daisy Jhugroo	Agnes Babu, Sharon Wrightman, Barrie Ellis-Daley
Church Cleaning:	Wk3: Mon 21st May @ 10am	Wk4: Mon 28th May @ 7pm
Coffee Morning:	Genet Andemariam, Shanique Blake, Tigist Deneke	Kirsty Austin, Nicole Heath, Fiona Rice

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Collection last weekend was £2,035.38 [Loose plate 55%; Gift Aid 45%]

Standing Order for the month of May £1361

Thank you for your generosity



Sunday 20th May PENTECOST SUNDAY (YEAR B) (From Monday: 7th Week in Ordinary Time)	09.00 10.30 12.00 15.00 18.30	Jean Quigley Anastasia Ogbonna Birthday Thanksgiving [Family Mass for FHC Candidates & Families] Rosario Alfonso Baptism Louise Ryan RIP
Monday 21st May Feria	09.30 18.30	John & Kathleen O'Regan RIP Leopold Arano RIP A
Tuesday 22nd May St. Rita of Cascia	09.30 18.30	People of the Parish Phillipa Modebelu
Wednesday 23rd May Feria	09.30 18.30	Tom Carroll RIP Edith Dempster's Intentions
Thursday 24th May Feria	09.30 18.30	Genevieve McCadden Thersa Tizard's Intentions
Friday 25th May St. Bede the Venerable	09.30 18.30	Josie Lardner RIP A Terry Moraghan RIP
Saturday 26th May St. Philip Neri	09.30 18.30	Jim Behan RIP James Moloney
Sunday 27th May THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (YEAR B)	09.00 10.30 12.00 18.30	Carmel Dehaney RIP Lily De Souza The Birch Family Intentions Jim Seery RIP

<u>Monday 21st May</u> Padre Pio Group (2nd & 4th Monday each month) No meeting Bank Holiday Monday 28th May Next meeting 11th June. <u>Tuesday 22nd May</u> Parent & Toddler Group (9.30 – 11am Function Suite) Last Play Group before closing until further notice Charismatic Prayer Group (7pm Church)	<u>Wednesday 23rd May</u> Rosary Prayer Group (7pm Parish Meeting Room) <u>Thursday 24th May</u> Knit & Natter Group (3pm Parish Meeting Room) Legion of Mary (7.15pm Parish Meeting Room) Tamil Mass (7.30pm Church) <u>Friday 25th May</u> 50+ Club (2pm Function Suite) Parish Open House (6pm – 7.30pm in the Presbytery)
Sacrament of Reconciliation Sat: 11.30am – 12.30pm	

Adoration & Morning Prayer Monday - Saturday: 8.45am Holy Hour on First Friday 5.15pm – 6.15 pm	Novena to St Anthony Tuesday: 10am Divine Mercy Chaplet Friday: 10am	Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Succour Saturday: 10am
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