



Our Lady Immaculate Catholic Church SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

23 May 2021

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MASS INTENTIONS AND PRAYERS

SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

**YOU CAN ALSO PARTICIPATE VIA ONLINE
LIVESTREAMING AT <https://www.olionline.co.uk>**

22 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	Mary Kabasumbi – RIP
23 Sun <i>End of Eastertide</i>	9.00	Karen Lau – RIP
	11.00	Roman Szymanski – RIP (<i>Family</i>) RCIA: Kimberly Yong
	18.00	Freda Cantwell (<i>J Dunseath</i>)

EIGHTH WEEK OF ORDINARY TIME (CYCLE 1)

EUCHARISTIC EXPOSITION: Monday – Friday at 8.30am

24 Mon <i>Mary, Mother of the Church</i>	9.30	John Walsh – RIP (<i>J Dunseath</i>)
25 Tues <i>St Bede the Venerable</i>	9.30	Milagrina Gomes – RIP (<i>E Gomes</i>)
	19.00	Tony & Olive Pereira (<i>L Confait</i>)
26 Wed <i>St Philip Neri</i>	9.30	Darin Romp – WB (<i>R Lee</i>)
	19.00	Nan Healy – 93 rd B/D (<i>M C Taylor</i>)
27 Thurs <i>Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</i>	7.00	Eddie & Sheila Walsh–WB (<i>M Tett</i>)
	9.30	Temporal & Spiritual Well Being of all Priests
28 Friday <i>Feria of Easter</i>	7.00	Mary Mills – RIP (<i>Stevens</i>)
	9.30	Joseph Hutchinson – RIP (<i>R Lee</i>)
29 Sat <i>Our Lady</i>	9.00	Bella Fernandes – RIP

SOLEMNITY OF THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

29 Sat <i>Vigil</i>	18.30	<i>Pro Populo</i>
30 Sun	9.00	James Thomas – RIP
	11.00	Thanksgiving (<i>K Jankowski</i>)
	18.00	Gregory Michael Witts – RIP

OTHER SERVICES

Sacrament of Reconciliation	Saturday: 9.30-10am & 5.30- 6.15pm
St Anthony of Padua Our Lady of Perpetual Help	Tuesday: after morning and evening Masses Wednesday: after morning and evening Masses
Our Lady of Fatima	1st Saturday of the month

LIVESTREAMING CONTINUES

The dispensation from Sunday obligation granted by the Bishops at the onset of the lockdown is still in place till further notice. Livestreaming of all weekday and Sunday Masses will also continue so that those who may not yet consider it safe for them to attend Mass in person, especially over the weekend, can participate virtually.

COME HOLY SPIRIT, WE NEED YOU!

The Solemnity of Pentecost is the climax not only of the paschal mystery, but of the mystery of the incarnation. According to St Athanasius, “the Word took flesh in order that we could receive the Holy Spirit.” The Incarnation and Pentecost are, therefore, closely linked, notwithstanding the fact that both are two distinct ‘moments’ in the history of salvation. Pentecost is simultaneously an end and a beginning. It confirms the completion of Jesus’ earthly ministry. “I tell you the truth,” says Jesus to his disciples, “it is to your advantage that I go away, for if I do not go away, the Paraclete will not come to you; but if I go, I will send him to you” (Jn 16:7). It also marks the inauguration of the public ministry of his disciples, the birthday of the Church, since they were not to leave Jerusalem until they have been “baptised by the Holy Spirit” (Lk 24:49; Acts 1:4), and empowered to become his “witnesses in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth” (Acts 1:8). For, “No one,” says St Paul, “can say, ‘Jesus is Lord’ unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit” (1 Co 12:3).

The Pentecost experience was not only restricted to Mary and the apostles and disciples in the Upper Room in Jerusalem. As Peter explained in his address to the first converts on Pentecost, it is extended to all who repent, believe and profess faith in Jesus Christ: “Peter said to them, ‘Repent, and be baptized every one of you in the name of Jesus Christ so that your sins may be forgiven; and you will receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. For the promise is for you, for your children, and for all who are far away, everyone whom the Lord our God calls to him’” (Acts 2:38-39). Thus, from the first Pentecost, successive generations of believers have experienced the impartation of the Holy Spirit through the ministry of the apostles and their successors (the Church), especially by prayers and the laying on of hands (see Acts 19:1-7). We receive and experience the presence and power of the Holy Spirit through the sacraments, particularly Baptism, Confirmation and Holy Orders. Through these sacred rites, the Holy Spirit bestows upon us gifts with which we carry out our mission of witnessing to Jesus and his kingdom here on earth.

In its manifestation, the Holy Spirit highlights the four marks of the Church of Christ which we profess in the Creed:

1. *One* (unity): since “there is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit” (1 Co 12) – and also, “for a good purpose,” namely, *service*.
2. *Holy* (holiness): since it is by the Holy Spirit that our sins are forgiven (Jn 20:23), and we are sustained by the sanctifying grace from the Spirit who “helps us in our weakness” (Rm 8:26-27).
3. *Catholic* (universal), since the Spirit is poured out on all without distinction – peoples from all corners of the earth; “*Jews and proselytes alike*,” “*slaves as well as citizens*” (see Joel 3:1-2).
4. *Apostolic*: for the Holy Spirit continues to teach and lead us in the truth through the apostolic ministry of the Church.

There can, therefore, be no Church without the Holy Spirit. Acknowledging this truth reminds us of the importance of the Holy Spirit and our absolute dependence on him, if we are to remain faithful to our identity and mission as the Church, ‘people of God,’ ‘Body of Christ,’ and ‘Temple of the Holy Spirit’ (see *Lumen Gentium*, §§4-8). Since he is a gift from the Father and (or through) the Son, we pray for a fresh outpouring of the Holy Spirit on us so that we may experience a *New Pentecost* in our hearts and community today and always. So, trusting in God’s *Word*, we welcome him with faith: Come Holy Spirit, we need you! ©IAE

NEXT SUNDAY’S READINGS

1ST READING	Deuteronomy 4:32-34,39-40
2ND READING	Romans 8:14-17
GOSPEL	Matthew 28:16-20

PRAYERS REMEMBRANCE



Please remember in your prayers all those who have recently died, especially Fr Kevin Alban, OCarm., Catherine Timoney, Mary Creighan, and those whose anniversaries are remembered at this time. May they rest in peace. Amen.



Please remember and pray for the sick, the housebound and all who care for them, especially those within our own parish community: Vanessa Andrew, Martin Dray, Anthony Durkin, Sue Ewen, Pauline Ferrara, Ann Groves, Thomas Haley, George Trutwein, Yvonne Norman, Esme Mills, Sharon Kelly, Frances Cox, Mary Ryan, Betty Harte, Antonio Ciaiola, Joan McGovern, Rita Reginald, Elizabeth Saunders, Thomas O'Connor, Jimmy Simon, Ron Malone, Sarah Mills, Samar Staussi, Annita Smith, Ann-Marie Deasy, Shirlene A., Ida Rebello, Kathleen & Chris McGuinness, Kathleen O'Connell, Claire Pender, Alison Vale, and Baby Penelope Brooks.

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS



LAST WEEKEND

Non-Gift-aid: £466.00

Gift-aid: £321.28

Total: £787.28

**Excluding standing orders & online payments – the monthly total of which will be published on the first weekend of every new month.*

Thank you for your generosity to your parish.

Kindly consider making your regular contribution to the Church via standing order (form available at olionline.co.uk), or by online banking:

RCAS Our Lady Immaculate Church, Account Number: 06467032; Sort Code: 60-21-05.

IMPORTANT: Please include your Gift Aid number in your online instruction to your bank. Non-Gift Aid donors, please include the letters NGA in the instruction to the bank.

Any queries? Please contact Allan Cook: tolworthgac@rcaos.org.uk or 0208 8399 4368

INFANT BAPTISM




Please contact the Parish Office for information pack & to register for the pre-baptism course.

Next course: TBA

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION



Please, see information for the next programme in the opposite column. 

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2020



Candidates Meeting: Next date TBA

CONTACTLESS PAYMENTS

Contactless payment machines are available in the narthex whenever the Church doors are open:

Select the amount you wish to give, tap your payment card on the reader, and the payment will come through to the parish.

You can also Gift-Aid your donation directly on it.

Thank you for your generosity.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

CHURCH OPENING TIMES FOR PRIVATE PRAYERS

Sunday (23/05): 2pm – 3.30pm

Monday (24/05): 10 – 11.15am & 5pm – 6pm

Tuesday (25/05): 4pm – 7pm

Wednesday (26/05): 10.30am – 1pm

Thursday (27/05): 10.30am – 12pm

Friday (28/05): 10.00am – 12pm

Saturday (29/05): 9.30am – 10am (*During Confessions*)

31 MAY – FEAST OF THE DEDICATION OF OLI CHURCH

Our Church was dedicated on the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 31 May 1963.

We would like to mark this special feast day of our parish with fitting solemnity as follows:

1. 8.00am – Eucharistic Exposition
2. 9.00am – Morning Prayer of the Church
3. 9.30am – Eucharistic Celebration
4. 10.15–18.30 – Eucharistic Exposition & Private Visits*
5. 18.30 – Rosary & Litany of the Blessed Virgin
6. 19.00 – Solemn Evening Prayer of the Church.

*To have an All-Day Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, we will need at least two people in the Church throughout the period. Sign-up sheets are available in the Church narthex.

2ND COLLETION TODAY: The Catholic Trust for England and Wales (CaTEW), which supports the legal, financial and charitable activities of the Bishops' Conference.

TO PARENTS OF PROSPECTIVE FHC CANDIDATES

As lockdown eases, we are exploring plans to allow the children born between 1 September 2012 to 31 August 2013 to begin preparation for First Holy Communion.

Ahead of formal registration for the programme, your attendance at a meeting on either Monday 24 May at 7pm or Tuesday 25 May at 6pm is required. At this meeting you will be given information about the programme and requirements for registration.

Please use the following link to confirm your attendance:

<https://doodle.com/poll/32362irtkgk5a2qk>

We will adhere to social distancing protocols and no children are expected to attend.

LENTEN PROJECT PLANNING MEETING VIA ZOOM

Due to the Pandemic, we have been unable to run the usual range of events to raise money for the Parish Lenten Project. In our 50th Anniversary year, we are determined to run a full programme of events as soon as the Covid restrictions are lifted at the end of June. We have already done the sponsored walk and distributed the Lenten Boxes. We would like to run a series of events from July to October.

If you have any ideas for events, please join our planning meeting on **Sunday, 30 May at 4pm** via Zoom. Alternatively, you can phone Phil Townsend on 8399 3481.

<https://zoom.us/j/94971137136?pwd=cTI4MkJIRFRVRzdsOHBDMVVtZ1hIQT09>

Meeting ID: 949 7113 7136

Passcode: 185893

LIFE IS HERE TO HELP!

Pregnant? Late and worried? Or suffered pregnancy loss? The charity, Life, helps 60,000+ women every year in such situations. To find out more, please visit www.lifecharity.org.uk or contact Therese Walker at 0798 451 5947.

DONATIONS TO FOODBANK

Please leave your donations in the boxes provided in the **Old Chapel** (9am – 6pm). **Urgently Needed Food Items:** cereals, instant mash, juice, tinned meat, fish & spaghetti, biscuits, noodles, rice, pasta, tea and coffee. Thanks.