



6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER- A

10th May, 2026

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Our Lady Immaculate RC Church, Tolworth

None of us get through life alone.

An advocate is a legal term that refers to a person that pleads before a court for another. However, as an advocate, Jesus is not pleading for us before God or the devil, he is pleading with us to focus on him and stay in his love. Everyone needs the Advocate. None of us get through life alone. We need the Advocate and His reminding. We all need to be reminded by the Advocate, especially when the future is bleak and we feel afraid and uncertain. We need the Advocate's reminder when we are sad, grieving or lost and do not even know the way. We need to be reminded when we feel like an orphan; alone and lonely. Altogether, we need the advocate's reminder too when we feel self – sufficient, successful and feel that we do not need God. Jesus is an advocate for us to follow God and love. He does not want us to deviate or get distracted no matter the challenge. Hence, Jesus tells us, "The Advocate ... will teach you everything, and remind you of all that I said to you" (John 14:26). By this, the advocate reminds us in good and challenging times that; "Do not let your hearts be troubled." "I am the bread of life." "I am the good shepherd." "I am the light of the world." "Do not be afraid." "My peace I give you, my peace I leave with you." "I am with you always, to the end of the age." "Love your neighbour as yourself." "Love your enemy." "Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them." Remember, you have the Holy Spirit as the Advocate because God wants you to win and enjoy abundant life in Jesus Christ. He wants to transform your places of pain, diminished life and disconnection into abundant life. As the Holy Spirit is the Advocate, we need to become advocates to others. It is our job to show others the way of love through our life and stay with them through thick and thin. It is our job as advocate to show others how much they are loved. We are called by the Holy spirit to be a force of healing, salvation, and transformation. Remember, where there is life and love, the Advocate is there. **Fr. Michael**

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS: 25TH APRIL - 3RD MAY 2026

- Sat 09** **18.30:** Nathan Louis – RIP (*Louis Family*)
- Sun 10** **09.00:** James O'Brien – RIP (*P Buchanan*), Ron Malone (RIP)
11.00: Lourdes De Souza – RIP (*C Stevens*)
18.00: People of the Parish
- Mon 11** **09.30:** Keith Lewis – RIP (*L Lewis*), Lucio Forino RIP ANN
- Tues 12** **09.30:** Liz Jones - Ints
19.00: Freda Cantwell (Wellbeing).
- Wed 13** **09.30:** Kathleen & Frank Tucholski (*S Mills*)
19.00: John Walsh RIP
- Thurs 14** **07.00:** James & Susan Walsh (RIP)
09:30: Marian D'Cruz
- Fri 15** **07.00:** Subash De Meneges
09:30: Holy Souls
- Sat 16** **09:00:** Catherine Yap (Wellbeing & protection).
- Sat 16** **18.00:**
- Sun 17** **09.00:** James O'Brien (RIP)
11.00:
18.00: People of the Parish

REMEMBRANCE: Please remember in your prayers all who have recently died especially and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. May their souls rest in peace. Amen

THE SICK: Vanessa Andrew, Deacon Al Callan, Martin Dray, George Trutwein, Rita Reginald, Ian Beard, Tony Cook, Kathleen McGuinness, Nan Healy, Samar Staussi, Joan Frost, Hazel D'Aguiar, Allan Cook, Wendy Cook, Kathleen O'Connell, Ralph Smallwood, Elizabeth Jones, Nivetheni Robert, Gerry Hague, Mark Draper, Tim Ryan, Maureen Stephens, Maureen Sellwood, Mavis Fisher, Lionel Holland, Peter & Phil Tull, Julie Briandt, Sue Jones, John Brennan, Martin Guy, Ron Malone, Alice Rooney & Susan Rooney.

EUCCHARISTIC EXPOSITION:
MORNING PRAYER (LAUDS):
SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:
ST ANTHONY OF PADUA NOVENA:
OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP NOVENA:
OUR LADY OF FATIMA DEVOTION:
SYRO-MALABAR VIGIL
YOUTH MASS

MONDAY – FRIDAY: 8AM
MONDAY – FRIDAY: 9AM
SATURDAY: - 9.30-10am & 5.30-6.00pm
TUESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
WEDNESDAY: - After morning and evening Masses
FIRST SATURDAY - of the month, after morning Mass
FIRST FRIDAY - of the month
LAST SUNDAY of the month

TODAY'S READINGS

Entrance Antiphon:

Cf. Is 48: 20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard; proclaim to the ends of the earth: The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

Penitential Act: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (*And, striking their breast, they say:*) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God. **Amen**

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, almighty Father. 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.

Opening Prayer: Grant, almighty God, that we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. **Amen**

First Reading

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

In those days: Philip went down to the city of Samaria and proclaimed to them the Christ. And the crowds with one accord paid attention to what was being said by Philip, when they heard him and saw the signs that he did. For unclean spirits, crying out with a loud voice, came out of many who had them, and many who were paralysed or lame were healed. So there was much joy in that city. Now when the Apostles at Jerusalem heard that Samaria had received the word of God, they sent to them Peter and John, who came down and prayed for them that they might receive the Holy Spirit, for he had not yet fallen on any of them, but they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid their hands on them and they received the Holy Spirit.

Reader: The word of the Lord

All: Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm: Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66(65):1-3a. 4-5. 6-7a. 16, 20. **R1**

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth.

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise.

Say to God, 'How wondrous your deeds!' **R**

'Before you all the earth shall bow down, shall sing to you, sing to your name!'

Come and see the works of God:

his wondrous deeds among the children of Adam. **R**

He turned the sea into dry land;
they passed through the river on foot.

Let our joy, then, be in him;

he rules for ever by his might. **R**

Come and hear, all who fear God;

I will tell what he did for my soul.

Blest be God, who did not reject my prayer,
nor withhold from me his merciful love. **R**

Second Reading

1 Peter 3:15-18

Beloved: In your hearts honour Christ the Lord as holy, always being prepared to make a defence to anyone who asks you for a reason for the hope that is in you; yet do it with gentleness and respect, having a good conscience, so that, when you are slandered, those who revile your good behaviour in Christ may be put to shame. For it is better to suffer for doing good, if that should be God's will, than for doing evil. For Christ also suffered once for sins, the righteous for the unrighteous, that he might bring us to God, being put to death in the flesh but made alive in the spirit.

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All: Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia. If anyone loves me, he will keep my word, says the Lord, and my Father will love him, and we will come to him. Alleluia.

Gospel

John 14:15-21

At that time: Jesus said to his disciples, 'If you love me, you will keep my commandments. And I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Helper, to be with you for ever, even the Spirit of truth, whom the world cannot receive, because it neither sees him nor knows him. You know him, for he dwells with you and will be in you. 'I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see me no more, but you will see me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in my Father, and you in me, and I in you. Whoever has my commandments and keeps them, he it is who loves me. And he who loves me will be loved by my Father, and I will love him and manifest myself to him.'

Priest: The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ

THE NICENE 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. *(At the words that follow, up to and including 'and became man', all bow)* For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit 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**

Prayer over the Offerings : May our prayers rise up to you, O Lord, together with the sacrificial offerings, so that, purified by your graciousness, we may be conformed to the mysteries of your mighty love. Through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Communion Antiphon Jn 14: 15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

Prayer after Communion: Almighty ever-living God, who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

NEW AND SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pentecost Novena starts on Friday, May 15th with a sung evening prayer and adoration at 6.30pm.

Spiritans Pentecost Novena will be every evening at 7.45pm. There will be a 15 minutes prayer and meditation led by the Spiritans. Please, follow us through the parish online service or come to the Church.

There will be a Special mission appeal for the Spiritans on Pentecost Sunday. Fr. Ugoo Ikwuka, the Provincial Superior of the Spiritans will be preaching the mission appeal. He will tell us of the challenging places where Spiritans work and ask for our support. Appeal envelopes are at the back of the Church.

A very big thank you to Jo, the Filipino community, volunteers and the Lenten project for organising this weekend's Filipino night. This is the first time of organising this beautiful event. May God bless and reward everyone abundantly.

Obituary: We announce the passing of our faithful parishioner, Ronald Malone. His Funeral will be on Thursday, 5th of June. May his souls rest in peace. Please pray for his family.

Please, we need donations of food, drink, money and services for the Pentecost. Please, talk to Fr. Mi-

chael if you would like to support.

Barbecue equipment are needed for our Pentecost and Parish day celebration. Please, if you have any to lend to the Parish, speak to Fr. Michael. Thanks and God bless you.

Pentecost Fundraising letter: To support our Pentecost and Parish day celebration, we are sending fundraising letters to local businesses in Tolworth, please see Fr. Michael and take a letter, if you know of any local business that can support our Pentecost and Parish day celebration.

Pentecost 2026: Fr Michael & Fr Bonaventure warmly invite you to a special Pentecost Mass and parish day, 11am on Sunday 24th May 2026. The Mass will be celebrated in different languages to represent our diverse Parish community. The Church will be decorated with flags and parishioners are asked to bring their own flags to the event. In addition, parishioners, including the Priests, are invited to dress in their cultural attire. Led by the scouts, the children will process into Church at the beginning of Mass, carrying flags. Following on from the Mass, there will be a Parish Day. All parishioners, family & friends are invited. There will be a range of food and drink, balloons and, of course, a celebration cake. There will also be games for the children including a bouncy cart and an ice cream kiosk!

Pentecost Mass rehearsal for all those leading in the reading, singing and procession will be on Saturday, 16th of May, 7.30pm, immediately after the Saturday evening Mass.

The Month of May is a month dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary. Remember to say your Rosary.

Rosary For Life. Archbishop John Wilson is calling on all of us to join him in praying the Rosary for Life this May (Month of Mary). Together, we will pray through the Joyful, Sorrowful, Glorious and Luminous Mysteries, each one offered for the most vulnerable facing growing threats to life: unborn children at risk of abortion, victims of war and persecution, people with disabilities, and the elderly and vulnerable. For video, audio and written versions of the Rosary for Life, visit rcaos.org.uk/rosaryforlife.

There will be a Rosary Procession with the Statue of Our Blessed Mother Mary this weekend after the 11am Mass.

2 more volunteers needed to complete the Rota for church cleaning. You and a friend need to be prepared to work together to clean the church. This work should take no more than 2 hours of your time in a week, approximately 7 times in a year. Please consider seriously if you might perform this task for the parish. Just put your name and contact details in an envelope and post through the Presbytery door.

Gym equipment, such as treadmill, weight lift equipment and others are needed by the clergy. Please, if you have any that you do not require again, can you consider donating it and bringing it to the presbytery. Thanks so much for your kindness and generosity.

INFORMATION & REMINDERS

PARISH LENTEN PROJECT 2026

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Noah's Ark Nursery School decorated Easter eggs and raised the sum of £122. Thanks so much to the children and the staff. You are super stars and may God bless you so much.

Jumble Sale – 16 May | 12:00 - 2:00pm

Please come to Jumble Sale to pick up a fabulous bargain: brand new China and Kitchenware, pre-loved clothes, toys and games and much, much more! Entrance £1.

African Caribbean Cultural Night – 6 June

Our final Lenten Project event is fast approaching and it promises to be a fantastic finale. A highlight of the parish calendar, this vibrant evening brings together music, food and celebration. If previous years are anything to go by, this is not to be missed.



Filipino Charity Night – A Wonderful Evening

A joyful and uplifting evening filled with great food, entertainment and community spirit. A significant amount was raised for our charities. Thank you to Jo and to all who volunteered and supported.

Young Parishioners Fundraising Initiative Alexa and Taylor (Year 8) have been busy creating handmade bracelets. They will be selling them in the Narthex after the 9am Masses throughout May and at the Parish Day on 24 May, with all proceeds going to the Lenten Project. Please do support them.



50km Sponsored Walk – 95% We are now at an incredible 95% of our target, with £3,464 raised so far.

Thank you for your generosity. We are nearly there. If you have not yet contributed, please help us with that final push via the QR code.



Two men were marooned on an Island. One man passed back and forth worried and scared while the other man sat back and was sunning himself. The first man said to the second man, "arn't you afraid we are about to die." "No," said the second man, "for you see I make £10,000 per week and I tithe faithfully to my church every week. My Parish priest will find me."

WEEKLY COLLECTIONS

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LAST WEEKEND:

Gift-aid: £381

Non-Gift-aid: £652.14

Total: £1033.14

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Total Collection For April 2026

Cash / cheques – £7,982.20

1. Gift-Aided – £2,210.90

2. Non-G/A – £5,771.30

B. Standing Orders / Bank Transfers – £4,374.00

1. Gift-Aided – £4179.00

2. Non-G/A – £195.00

C. Contactless Machine – £1,162.00

Total = £13,518.20 (Last month £12,800.95)

Thank you for supporting your Parish.

Cheques: Please make payable to **RCAS Tolworth.**

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: Gift Aid:** If you are a Gift Aid donor, please include your **Gift Aid number** in your online payment reference. If you are not registered for Gift Aid, kindly use "NGA" in the reference. **Need Help?** Contact **Lance Louis** at tolworthgael@rcas.org.uk or call **07851 070036**.

Thank you once again for your continued support.



A General Prayer for Effective Communication

"Heavenly Father, I come before You seeking guidance and clarity in my conversations with others. Please quiet my spirit and fill me with Your wisdom. Help me to speak with grace, honesty, and compassion, removing any fear, anxiety, or pride that hinders me. Holy Spirit, guide my words to build up rather than tear down, bringing understanding rather than confusion. Give me the discernment to know what to say, and the patience to listen intently to others. May my words be a blessing, re-

Pope Francis Prayer on Communication: Lord, teach us to move beyond ourselves, and to set out in search of truth. Teach us to go out and see, teach us to listen, not to entertain prejudices or draw hasty conclusions. Teach us to go where no one else will go, to take the time needed to understand, to pay attention to the essentials, not to be distracted by the superfluous, to distinguish deceptive appearances from the truth. Grant us the grace to recognize your dwelling places in our world and the honesty needed to tell others what we have seen.

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DISCIPLES	LOVE	FATHER
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TRUTH	WORLD	ORPHANS
UNDERSTAND	SHOW	MYSELF

