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SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST YEAR A 31st May 2020

Dear Parishioners,

'The coming of the Holy Spirit on the Church. The message 'Jesus is Lord' must be preached to every corner of the world. 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.' (Pope Saint John Sunday Missal.


Father Dominic writes: 'Father Paul, Deacon Kevin, Father Fred, Monsignor Danny and I wish you a very happy Pentecost, the birthday of the Church. May the gifts of the Holy Spirit draw you ever more closely into the very life of God. May you experience His gentle mastery over your hearts and minds, enabling you to know God's will and to continue to contribute to renewing the face of the earth.

As we await the news of the re-opening of our Church I offer my sincere thanks for your patience and resilience and for your prayers and neighbourliness, bearing the fruits of the Holy Spirit in abundance.'

In preparation for the re-opening of our Churches, we would welcome volunteers for a rota for the daily cleaning of the Church. If you are able to help please contact the Presbytery. Thank you to those Parishioners who have already volunteered. Thank you also to those who are busy sewing face-masks and other items required for the Church cleaners and flower arrangers.

Father Dominic and Deacon Kevin took part in a Zoom Meeting with the Governors, our Head Teacher, and Deputy Head of our primary School. Tremendous work has been done in preparation for the return of the younger children to our School, along with the children of our key workers. Please remember our Schools in your prayers at this time that they may continue to be safe environments for the whole family of the School. Sadly, several year groups will not be returning to School for the remainder of this term. Please pray for them and their parents and families at this time. May our Lady keep us all safe from the harmful effects of Covid19.

Sequence for Pentecost: '*Thou, of all consolers best, Thou the soul's delightful guest, Dost refreshing peace bestow. Heal our wounds, our strength renew; on our dryness pour Thy dew, Wash the stains of guilt away.*

<p>30th May Saturday Easter Feria</p>	<p>Acts 28:16-20,30-31 John 21:20-15 Christine Flynn-RIP Peter Doyle- RIP</p>	
<p>31st May SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST Day of Prayer for the Church</p> 	<p>Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13 John 20:19-23 Father David Duggan-RIP Nancy Maguire & Family-Intentions</p>	
<p>1st June Monday Mary, Mother of the Church</p>	<p>Genesis 3:9-5,20 OR Acts 1:12-14 John 19:25-34 Joe Roarke-RIP Susan Joyce-RIP</p>	
<p>2nd June Tuesday Feria in Ordinary Time Ss Marcellinus and Peter</p>	<p>2 Peter 3:11-15,17-18 Mark 12:13-17 Hugh Riley-RIP Margaret Brown-RIP</p>	
<p>3rd June Wednesday Ss Charles Lwanga and Companions</p>	<p>2 Timothy 1:1-3,6-12 Mark 12:18-27 Oxford Fellowship Valerie Shepperd-RIP</p>	
<p>4th June Thursday FEAST Of Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest</p>	<p>Genesis 22:9-18 OR Hebrews 10:4-10 Matthew 26:36-42 Packie McGovern-Intention Marian Webster-RIP</p>	
<p>5th June Friday St Boniface</p>	<p>2 Timothy 3:10-17 Mark 12:35-37 Colette Hickey-Intention Joan Brosan-Intention</p>	
<p>6th June Saturday Feria in Ordinary Time St Norbert</p>	<p>2 Timothy 4:1-8 Mark 12:38-44 John & Joan Gorman-RIP Eugene & Anna O'Donnell-RIP</p>	
<p>7th June Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity</p>	<p>Exodus 34:4-6,8-9 2 Corinthians 13:11-13 John 3:16-18 All People of the Parish B McN-Intention</p>	

MARRIAGE MATTERS www.twoinoneflesh.org.uk Pentecost (Acts 2:1-11 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13 John 20:19-23) The Spirit works in all sorts of different ways Years ago, on a Marriage Encounter weekend, we had a real experience of the Spirit working “in all sorts of different ways in different people”, not in Church documents, but in real life. We were like the disciples at Pentecost, “filled with joy when they saw the Lord”, and we heard our own native language, deep inside each of us.

We appreciate that some of you may be struggling financially. If, however you are in a position to continue your Sunday Offerings you may wish to consider Gift aiding by Standing Order. Forms may be down loaded from the Diocesan website or if requested we can send you a Gift Aid and Standing Order Form.

FOOD BANK- The Christian Renewal Centre, in Lode lane, have kept their food bank open during lock down. They would appreciate non-perishable foods. If you can help please put food in to their orange bins outside their centre in Lode Lane.

CAFOD We are facing an unprecedented emergency in every country we work in; and we are also mindful, each day, of people in our own Catholic community here in England and Wales who are unable to attend Mass; people worried and overstretched; of those who have tragically lost loved ones, and of those who were already enduring loneliness and are now in isolation. We need to respond in faith, hope and love. And so in faith, hope and love, we are reaching out to you. We know all too well that things are far from straightforward in all our parishes right now. We, as a global family, have never faced a crisis of this magnitude –in our own communities, and those communities CAFOD works with. But the scale is unimaginable in the most vulnerable communities of our world, and so as of today, we are [appealing for support for our emergency response](#). Those communities with nothing, who have everything stacked against them, - our brothers and sisters - have never needed your love and support so much.

cafod.org.uk/parishes has a **two-minute video message from me about the appeal**

The ‘My Day By Day’ booklets are available for the months of June and July. If you would like to receive a copy/copies, please let Fr Dominic know by contacting the Presbytery.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS THE SICK OF THE PARISH

Keith Frettsome	Martin Yates	Virginia Gregory,	Angela, Eilish, Tony Duffy	Martha Sheridan	
Joan Kennedy	Roberto Cordora	Kevin Fahy	Sandy Simia	Adam Cole	Sue Hodrien
Trevor Windle	Colette Hickey	Danny Meadows	Kathleen Beale	Anne (Eithne) O’Sullivan	
Patricia Mann	Paul Mann	Cornelius Callanan	Bruce Pountney		

*Holy Spirit,
Strengthen Me!*

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*Holy Spirit comes to help us in our
Weakness. (Romans 8:26)*

**Holy Spirit, come!
I need your support in so many ways,
often just to get through the day.
Often I feel so inadequate
for meeting all life's demands.
Holy Spirit, help me to cope!
to have the strength never to give in,
but to grow ever stronger in faith!**

**Promise of the Father,
when the Apostles were afraid
you came to them and filled them
with confidence and strength.**



**Holy Spirit, come down on me also.
Strengthen me with that confidence,
so that I too may be ready to share
your love with others. Amen.
Come, Holy Spirit, fill our hearts.
Enkindle in us the fire of your love.
Send forth your gifts of grace and we will
be renewed.**

Please pray for: Marian Webster (Thursday 4th June) Father Tim Burke, Patrick (Pat) Byrne, Detta Kavanagh and Father David Duggan, who died recently.

Also Helen Hart, Marie Josephine Winsor, Brendan Kenny, Sylvia Irene Wyer, Hans Benischice, Ann Ryan, Martin McLoughlin and Kathleen Poole and all with anniversaries at this time.

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