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Sunday 23rd May 2021

PENTECOST

(YEAR B)

Mass Times and Intentions: Sunday 23rd May 2021 (Solemnity) PENTECOST SUNDAY

6.15pm (Saturday 22nd May 2021) People of the parish 8.30am Raffaele Antonio Forte RIP 11.30am Anne Lawrence RIP 5pm Ellis Foundation Mass

Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

Monday 24th May 2021 (Memorial) Mary, Mother of the Church 10am Zofia Rozylo RIP **PVT The Holy Souls** Tuesday 25th May 2021 (Memorial) St Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor of the Church 10am Gracie Boyle RIP **PVT The Holy Souls** Wednesday 26th May 2021 (Memorial) St Philip Neri, Priest 10am Tony Storey RIP PVT All victims of COVID in India Thursday 27th May 2021 (Feast) Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest 10am Tony Storey RIP PVT People of the parish Friday 28th May 2021 (Feria) 10am UCM intention **PVT The Holy Souls** Saturday 29th May 2021 The Blessed Virgin Mary 10am Gordon & Rosemary Clark Golden Wedding Anniversary

Sunday 30th May 2021 (Solemnity) THE MOST HOLY TRINITY 6.15pm (Saturday 29th May 2021)

People of the parish 8.30am Irene Kell RIP 11.30am Nora, Tommy & John Glancy RIP 5pm The Church, The Pope & SVP in England and Wales

Our Current Public Mass Schedule *Mass: Monday - Saturday: 10am; *Confessions: Saturday, after 10am Mass, until approx 11.30am; *Sunday Masses: (Sat 6.15pm);

8.30am; 11.30am; 5pm.

VOCATIONS

To enquire about vocations, or to donate to the Priests' Training Fund, please go to: Vocations (resouthwark.co.uk)

!!!NEW COVID INFORMATION!!!

Instructions from Archbishop John Wilson have been received, following the recent change in government instructions. There are a few welcome changes: Please follow stewards' instructions. Track and Trace forms still apply. If you feel ill, please stay at home. Continue to wear masks/face coverings, which must cover nose and mouth. Please don't gather outside the church. Social distancing is down to 1 metre. Votive candles may now be lit and offerings may be put in wall boxes. Statues may be touched, but not kissed. Communion returns to its normal place, and you may return to seats afterwards. "HANDS; FACE; SPACE; FRESH AIR<u>"</u> We are not out of the woods yet, and local or national situations could result in the return of restrictions. Please do your

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL WHO ARE ILL AND/OR HOUSEBOUND:

part in helping to avoid that happening.

John Ambler, Jessica Anane, Margaret Asubonteng-Mensah, Juliette Blake, Alan Blaquiere, Anita Blaquiere, Barry Breese, Erna Breese, Frances Carter, Jean Cowie, Reeda D'Souza, Bruce Davidson, Audrey Draude, Teresa Florek-Smail, Raffaella Forte, Giovanni Franco, Rachel Gadd, Elaine Gunther, Anna Harris, Agnes Healy, Jim Hughes, Terry Jupp, Scarlett Kurowski, Philomena Lopez, James McDonald, Elenaor McLaughlin, Otiss McLaughlin, Ajitha Mahatantila, Gerard Mascarenhas, Mary Meyern, Sheila Newman, Mary O'Sullivan, Thomas Pereira, Sheila Price, Parwar Saib, Frederic Saint-Rose, Alice Scott, Elizabeth Scott, Christine Shaughnessy, Ronald Smail, Fr David Standley, Jo Taylor, Edythe Thirlwall, Joe Vassallo, Monica Vergara, Mary White, Ethelda Williams, Carole Winch, John Windsor, Charmaine Wise, Margaret Worrell, Georgette Yoo Foo.

GIFT AID & FINANCE NEWS Please await further information

regarding the collection and/or

distribution of new Gift Aid Envelopes. Some may be delivered to you. (Some boxes have been renumbered.) Gift Aiders may continue to use spare envelopes from their existing boxes. Please just add the date on the front. If you need a Year End Letter, please wait, due to the backlog in entering Gift Aid into the computer programme. If you are a tax payer, you may join the

Gift Aid scheme. We can reclaim tax you have paid, adding 25% to your contributions at no extra cost to you! Now would be an excellent opportunity to consider setting up a Standing order, if your financial circumstances allow.

Standing Orders save us money on the purchase of envelopes and boxes. For information on Gift Aid, a crucial way to increase parish funds, please contact the Parish Office. You may download a Standing Order Form from our parish website: sof_200904.jpg (724×1024) (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

Would all those who kindly set up a Standing Order during our Planned Giving Drive please check their bank statements to see if their instructions to their banks have been received. Many were not set up by banks.

PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests; help them to be strong in their vocation and become instruments of your love and grace. Send your Holy Spirit to give courage and guidance to all those you are calling to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life in our Archdiocese. May those called hear your voice and respond wholeheartedly to become the person you created them to be. Heavenly Father, form us all in the likeness of your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, so that we may love you more deeply and serve you more faithfully. We ask this through Christ

Your Son, the Eternal High Priest, Amen.

READINGS & PRAYERS FOR THIS SUNDAY

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON (Wisdom 1:7)

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

FIRST READING (Acts 2:1-11)

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles 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 then 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. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

(Psalm 103:1, 24, 29-31, 34 response cf v 30)

R: Send forth your Spirit, O Lord, and renew the face of the earth.

1. Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are. How many are your works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. *R*.

- **2.** You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. *R*.
- 3. May the glory of the Lord last for ever!

 May the Lord rejoice in his works!

 May my thoughts be pleasing to him.

 I find my joy in the Lord. *R*.

SECOND READING (1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13)

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit.

There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose.

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit, we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

THE SEQUENCE IS NOW RECITED

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 20:19-23)

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews.

Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them,

'Peace be with you.' and showed them his hands and his side.

The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.'

After saying this, he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit, for those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

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

COMMUNION ANTIPHON (Acts 2:4, 11) They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS 2021

Applications will close shortly. Please complete the online form on our website <u>and await further information</u>. Please go to:

St. Bart's - First Communion Programme (stbartsnorbury.co.uk)

A paper version of the form is available from stewards.

BAPTISM PREPARATION COURSES

If you have sent/are sending in a Baptism Details Form, please contact us once more courses are announced.

PARISH OFFICE

The Parish Office continues to operate remotely as has been the case throughout the COVID pandemic. Do get in touch by phone, email or via the Contact Form on our web site.

Please wait patiently for a response.

MASS INTENTIONS

These may be booked by email or by phone. Details will be provided about making offerings, which may be Gift Aided.

Please put any envelopes through the presbytery door.



The descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles
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