

## Hymns

### Hymn 865

#### I, the Lord of sea and sky

I have heard my people cry.  
All who dwell in dark and sin  
my hand will save.  
I who made the stars of night,  
I will make their darkness bright.  
Who will bear my light to them?  
Whom shall I send?

*Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?*

*I have heard You calling in the night.*

*I will go, Lord, if You lead me.*

*I will hold Your people in my heart.*

I, the Lord of snow and rain,  
I have borne my people's pain.  
I have wept for love of them.  
They turn away.  
I will break their hearts of stone,  
give them hearts for love alone.  
I will speak my word to them.  
Whom shall I send?

I, the Lord of wind and flame,  
I will send the poor and lame.  
I will set a feast for them.  
My hand will save.  
Finest bread I will provide  
till their hearts be satisfied.  
I will give my life to them.  
Whom shall I send?

### Hymn 189

#### Make me a channel of your peace

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love.  
Where there is injury, your pardon, Lord.  
And where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there's despair in life, let me bring hope.  
Where there is darkness only light,  
And where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh, Master, grant that I may never seek  
So much to be consoled as to console,  
To be understood as to understand,  
To be loved, as to love with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
In giving to all men that we receive,  
And in dying that we're born to eternal life.

### Hymn 720

#### Be still, for the presence of the Lord

Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the Holy One is here.  
Come, bow before him now, with reverence and fear.  
In him no sin is found, we stand on holy ground.  
Be still, for the presence of the Lord,  
the Holy One is here.

Be still, for the glory of the Lord, is shining all around;  
He burns with holy fire, with splendour he is crowned.  
How awesome is the sight, our radiant King of light.  
Be still, for the glory of the Lord, is shining all around.

Be still, for the power of the Lord is moving in this place,  
He comes to cleanse and heal, to minister his grace.  
No work too hard for him, in faith receive from him.  
Be still for the power of the Lord, is moving in

### Hymn 360

#### As I kneel before you

As I kneel before you,  
As I bow my head in pray'r,  
Take this day, make it yours  
And fill me with your love.

#### Ave Maria, gratia plena, Dominus tecum, benedicta tu.

All I have I give you,  
Ev'ry dream and wish are yours.  
Mother of Christ, Mother of mine,  
Present them to my Lord.

As I kneel before you,  
And I see your smiling face,  
Ev'ry thought, ev'ry word  
Is lost in your embrace.

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## 6th Sunday of Easter Yr. A

17th May 2020

Psalter Week 2

### The Holy Spirit.

We reflect upon the Novena to the Holy Spirit.

On Pentecost Day the Holy Spirit was given to the apostles and they set out to preach the word of God.

The Holy Spirit, resides within the Church and within each of us. By our Baptism and our Confirmation, we receive the fullness of the Holy Spirit and his gifts. We are temples of the Holy Spirit. It is incredible to think that the presence of God resides in you and in those around you. Such thoughts should change the way we value ourselves and the respect which have for others.

The period between Ascension [Thursday] and Pentecost Sunday is a special time of prayer. As the Apostles awaited the descent of the Holy Spirit during these days, so the Church has prayed that the Holy Spirit will continue enrich her, to renew her in the image of Jesus, whom she serves. These days before Pentecost have traditionally been an important period of prayer. These nine days of prayer, became known as a novena of prayer to the Holy Spirit. The term 'novena' finds its root in this period of nine days. This novena of prayer to the Holy Spirit is therefore the oldest period of prayer in the Church's tradition and has become the model for every other novena we might be encouraged to pray.

The Holy Spirit enlivens us all. This is beautifully described in the 12th Century hymn which is printed below:

*Love of the Father, Love of God the Son  
From whom all came, in whom all was begun;  
Who forms heavenly beauty out of strife,  
Creation's whole desire and breath of life:*

*You the all-holy, you supreme in might,  
You give peace, your presence makes all right;  
You with your favour all things enfold,-  
With all kindness free from harm will hold.*

*Purest and highest, wisest and most just,  
There is no truth save only in your trust  
The mind from early dreams recall,  
and bring, through Christ, to him for whom are all*

*Eternal Glory, you we all adore,  
Who are and who shall be worshipped evermore,  
Us whom you made, comfort with your might,  
And lead us home to enjoy your heavenly light.*

This makes a wonderful meditation and a basis for our prayer to the Holy Spirit during our 505 services.

Fr Paul

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## Mass Times and other Services.

Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup> May	6:00 pm	Mass	Daniel Boylan
Sunday	17 <sup>th</sup> May	10:30 am	Mass	Mary Burge
Monday	18 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Wendy Pyatt
Tuesday	19 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Monica Loader
		<b>5:05 pm</b>	Angelus & Meditation	
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup> May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Elizabeth Essex
		<b>5:05 pm</b>	Angelus & Meditation	

### Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord – Holy Day of Obligation

Thursday	21 <sup>st</sup> May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	David Twiston-Davies
		<b>5:05 pm</b>	Angelus & Meditation	
		7.00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish

Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup> May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Graham & Eijkenboom Families
		<b>5:05 pm</b>	Angelus & Meditation	

Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup> May	6:00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday	24 <sup>th</sup> May	10:30 am	Mass	June Holt

### Offertory Collection: Thank you for your generous support.

Offertory (GA) £ 00.00

Donations £ 5.00

**Total £ 5.00**

**Standing Orders for April 2020** £3,738.00 Very many thanks.

*If you would like to take out a standing order, it is very straightforward.*

### Please pray for: The Sick & Housebound of our Parish Community:

Agnes Boggis, Melene Clifford, Rosemary Daniel, Jane de Souza, Jean Marie D'Souza, Margaret Evans, Rita Good, Gill Harrison, Evelyn Lochrin, Tom Mannion, Joan McDonald, Diana Newbury, Jackie Tidbury, Deacon Mike Walker.

*If you know of anyone who is sick, do let us know.*

*Those who have died:*

*Anniversaries that occur at this time:*

Peggy Lindsay, Ray Thomas, Audrey Hutton, Maureen Keeley, Javier Astrada, John Flanagan, Monica Loader, June Holt.

*May they rest in peace*

**Live Streaming of Mass:** to enable our Sick and Housebound of our Parish Community to have greater access and participation you can live stream all our services: <https://www.mcnmedia.tv/camera/sacred-heart-catholic-church>

## Liturgical Responses

### Readings:

Acts 8:5-8, 14-17  
 Psalm 65: 1-7, 16, 20 *resp v 1*  
 1 Peter 3:15-18  
 John 14:15-21

### Entrance Antiphon:

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

### Responsorial Psalm:

Cry out with joy to God  
 all the earth.

### Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
 Jesus said:  
 'If anyone loves me  
 he will keep my word,  
 and my Father will love him,  
 and we shall come to him.'  
 Alleluia!

### Music during Mass

I would like to thank **Hannah and Mark Theobald**, for providing the recordings and music for the Psalms, and Gospel acclamation for our celebration of Sunday Mass. It is a wonderful gift.

## Parish News

### Solemnity of the Ascension - Thursday 21 May.

Ascension Thursday is a Holy Day of Obligation. There are Masses on Thursday at 9.30am & 7.00pm.

### Today we should have been celebrating First Holy Communion.

Therefore, the 10.30 am Mass will be a Mass of the Holy Eucharist and we will pray for the Children and their families. **First Communion will be celebrated in the autumn.** However, individual families will also have the option to make their FHC in small family groups during the summer, when the restrictions are lifted.



### National Lottery Awards for All.

*This message from the National Lottery speaks for itself:*

We're so happy to tell you we really liked your application for National Lottery Awards for All. And we want to give a new hope after Covid-19 £9,900 to help your community thrive.

We have applied to upgrade the parish hall, and thanks to this grant, we will be fitting a new kitchen this week !!

### The Tablet: International Catholic News Weekly.

In a section entitled  
*"isolated but not alone, resources for Catholics"*.  
 I was delighted to get the following mention:

'There is a good, clear live-streaming at the Catholic Church of the Sacred Heart at Henley, Oxfordshire, in the Birmingham Archdiocese, celebrated by parish priest Fr Paul Fitzpatrick. Weekdays at 9.30am, Saturday 6pm and Sunday 10.30am.'

### Standing Orders and Gift Aid.

Given the disruption that we are experiencing at this time, it may be helpful to take out a Standing Order as a means of regularly supporting the Parish Mission .

The forms for Standing Orders and Gift Aid can be found on the Parish Website—Your Gift.

**THANK YOU for the Standing Orders we have received this week**

Given the Government's announcement last Sunday it seems unlikely that Catholic Church's will be opened for Mass until, at the earliest, 4 July, Cardinal Nichols is petitioning that Catholic Churches should be open for private prayer, much earlier than that. There will have to be strict social distancing, and other safety measures. I will let you know when I know. Please pray for this.

### Henley in Bloom

I have ordered **two Summer Hanging baskets** as part of Henley in Bloom at £67.50 each. If you would like to make a contribution towards these baskets,

If you are not familiar with our tear-off slips = just tear the box below this and send it to us.

Dear Father Paul,

I would like to Sponsor the Summer Hanging Baskets  
 Names

Name:

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### Prayers for a time of Coronavirus.

**Spiritual Communion:** there are times when people are unable to receive the Body and Blood of Christ, because of illness or due to their personal disposition. Even though some may not receive 'sacramental' communion, all are united in some way by the Holy Spirit. The traditional idea of 'spiritual' communion is possible even when we do not share together the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of Christ.

*'My Jesus, I believe that you are present in this Holy Sacrament of the altar.*

*I love you above all things and I passionately desire to receive you into my soul.*

*Since I cannot now receive you sacramentally, come spiritually into my soul,*

*so that I may unite myself wholly to you now and forever.*

*Amen'*