

Hymn 644
Alleluia, sing to Jesus

Alleluia, sing to Jesus,
His the sceptre, his the throne,
Alleluia, his the triumph,
His the victory alone:
Hark! The songs of peaceful Sion
Thunder like a mighty flood,
Jesus, out of every nation,
Has redeemed us by his blood.

Alleluia, not as orphans
Are we left in sorrow now;
Alleluia, he is near us,
Faith believes, nor questions how;
Though the cloud from sight received him
When the forty days were o'er,
Shall our hearts forget his promise,
'I am with you evermore'?

Alleluia, Bread of Angels,
Thou on earth our food, our stay'
Alleluia, here the sinful
Flee to thee from day to day;
Intercessor, friend of sinners,
Earth's Redeemer, plead for me,
Where the songs of all the sinless
Sweep across the crystal sea.

Alleluia, King eternal
Thee the Lord of lords we own;
Alleluia, born of Mary,
Earth thy footstool, heaven thy throne;
Thou within the veil hast entered,

Hymn 302
Breathe on me, Breath of God

Breathe on me, Breath of God,
fill me with life anew,
that I may love what thou dost love,
and do what thou wouldst do.

Breathe of me, Breath of God
until my heart is pure:
until with thee I have one will
to do and to endure.

Breathe on me, Breath of God
till I am wholly thine,
until this earthly part of me
glows with thy fire divine.

Breathe of me, Breath of God,
so shall I never die,
but live with thee the perfect life
of thine Eternity.

Hymns

Hymn 846
Amazing Grace

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
That saved a wretch like me.
I once was lost but now I'm found,
Was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
And grace my fears relieved.
How precious did that grace appear
The hour I first believed.

Through many dangers, toils and snares
I have already come.
'Tis grace hath brought me safe thus far,
And grace will lead me home.

The Lord has promised good to me;
His word my hope secures.
He will be shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Hymn
Holy Virgin, by God's decree

Holy Virgin, by God's decree,
You were called eternally;
That he could give his Son to our race.
Mary, we praise you, hail, full of grace.
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.

By your faith and loving accord,
As the handmaid of the lord,
You undertook God's plan to embrace.
Mary we thank you, hail, full of grace.
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.

Refuge for your children so weak,
Sure protection all can seek.
Problems of life you help us to face.
Mary, we trust you, hail, full of grace.
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.

To our needy world of today
Love and beauty you portray,
Showing the path to Christ we must trace.
Mary, our mother, hail, full of grace.
Ave, Ave, Ave, Maria.

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7th Sunday of Easter Yr. A

24th 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 presence of the Holy Spirit strengthened the apostles to enable them to witness to Jesus.

This same gift has been given to each of us, for the same purpose. Faith is a gift from God, which is freely given; but we can pray that God will pour the Holy Spirit upon each of us and the whole church that our faith may be strengthened.

We can pray for ourselves and the whole Church that we may be faithful to the example of the apostles, and by the gift of the Holy Spirit, given to us to help us in the role of evangelisation.

This week it would be good to pray to the Holy Spirit asking that our parish may be enriched with the gifts and fruits of the Spirit. We ask for the wisdom and leadership of the Holy Spirit to help us in the future. We seek the Holy Spirit's inspiration to help us in our Christian Mission and above all the Spirit of Jesus to pray within us.

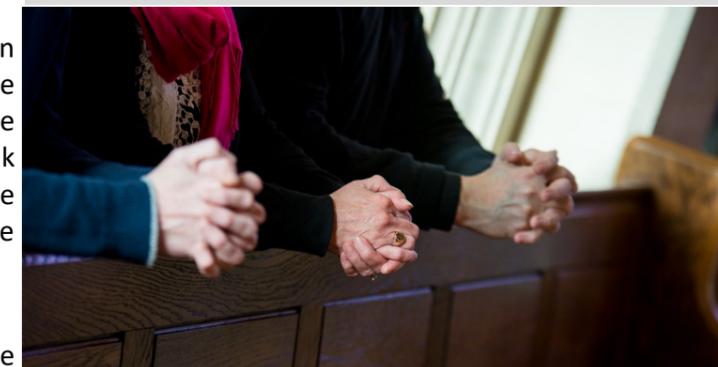
I would also ask you to make these days until Pentecost Sunday a special time of prayer. I invite you to join us in praying the following prayer in the coming days ...

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and they shall be created and you shall renew the face of the earth. Let us pray ...

O God, who has taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit grant that by the gift of the same Spirit we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in your consolation, through Christ our Lord, Amen.

This makes a wonderful mediation 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	23 rd May	6:00 pm	Mass	People of the Parish
Sunday	24 th May	10:30 am	Mass	June Holt
Monday	25 th May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Atholl Docherty
Tuesday	26 th May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Mgr Antony Conlon
		5:05 pm	Angelus & Meditation	
Wednesday	27 th May	9:15 am	Morning Prayer	
		9:30 am	Mass	Canon John Hughes
		5:05 pm	Angelus & Meditation	
Thursday	28 th May	NO MASS		
		5:05 pm	Angelus & Meditation	
Friday	29 th May	NO MASS		
		5:05 pm	Angelus & Meditation	
PENTECOST SUNDAY				
Saturday	30 th May	6:00 pm	Mass	George and Malgorzata
Sunday	31 st May	10:30 am	Mass	Miles Humphreys

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

Offertory (GA) £ 00.00

Donations £ 0.00

Total £ 0.00

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:

June Holt, Catherine Lindsey, Canon John Hughes.

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 1-12-14
Psalm 26:1, 4, 7-8 *resp v 13*
1 Peter 4:13-16
John 17:1-11

Entrance Antiphon:

O Lord, hear my voice,
for I have called to you;
Of you my heart has spoken:
Seek his face;
Hide not your face from me,
alleluia.

Responsorial Psalm:

I am sure I shall see the Lord's
goodness in the land
of the living.

Gospel acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I will not leave you orphans,
says the Lord;
I will come back to you,
and your hearts will be full of joy.
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

Repairs to the Church.

As the Church is closed for public worship, we have been using this opportunity to undertake repairs within the Church. This includes fixing and cleaning the windows, repairing benches, and painting the Church. We have now reached the Sanctuary, which will require scaffolding. This will take place later in the week, and therefore **there will be no weekday masses on Thursday and Friday**, but there will be Masses on Saturday/Sunday.

It seems unlikely that Catholic Churches 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 date.

If this is the case there will have to be strict social distancing, and other safety measures. We are beginning to plan, how we will reopen, but there will be a national protocol which will be strictly enforced. I will let you know when I know. Please pray for this.



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 have fitted a new kitchen !!

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

First Holy Communion and Confirmation

As you will be aware, both sacramental celebrations have been postponed. Permission has been given, in these exceptional circumstances, for Parish Priests to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation.

I hope to begin our re-opening, by inviting individual families to celebrate these sacraments, or they can defer until the autumn, if they prefer. I shall be writing to each family to confirm our arrangements. The final decision will depend on the national protocols, but we can begin to plan now.

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'