

Our Lady &amp; St. Philip Neri Church

# NEWS LETTER

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19<sup>th</sup> May 2019  
Fifth Sunday of Easter  
Year C

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1<sup>st</sup> Reading Acts 14:21-27  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Apocalypse 21:1-5  
Gospel John 13:31-35

**LOVE ONE ANOTHER**

Jesus tells us that we will be known as his disciples by the love that we show for one another. He teaches us to love one another as he has loved us. In this way we will open the door of faith to all people, and give them the opportunity to praise God who makes all things new.

**POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTION FOR MAY**

Evangalisation: That the Church in Africa, through the commitment of its members, may be the seed of unity among her peoples and a sign of hope for this continent.

**THE SEASON OF EASTER**

The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exaltation as one feast day, indeed as one 'great Sunday'. The first eight days of Easter Time constitute the Octave of Easter and are celebrated as Solemnities of the Lord.

**MASS TIMES, INTENTIONS AND FEAST DAYS**

Sat 18 <sup>th</sup>	6.30 <sub>pm</sub>	† Wellbeing of Mary Kate Walsh	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† Celebrating the 25 <sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary of Helen & Anthony Kiernan	Fifth Sunday of Easter
	11.00 <sub>am</sub>	† Angelo Noto RIP	St. Dunstan
Mon 20 <sup>th</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	Divine Office	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† Holy Souls Rosary	
Tue 21 <sup>st</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	Divine Office	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† In Honour of the Sacred Heart Rosary	
	2.00 <sub>pm</sub>	School Marian Service	
Wed 22 <sup>nd</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	Divine Office	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† Intention of Christelle Ngolle Rosary	
Thu 23 <sup>rd</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	Divine Office	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† Birthday thanksgiving for Ella Rosemonde Assemien Rosary	
	12.00 <sub>pm</sub>	Funeral Mass of John Francis Heffernan	
Fri 24 <sup>th</sup>	9.10 <sub>am</sub>	Divine Office	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† Andrew Healy RIP Divine Mercy Chaplet & Benediction	
Sat 25 <sup>th</sup>	9.00 <sub>am</sub>	Exposition & Divine Office	
	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† People of the Parish	St. Bede the Venerable
	6.30 <sub>pm</sub>	† Michael Lynch RIP	First Mass of Sunday
Sun 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 <sub>am</sub>	† Andrew Watts RIP	Sixth Sunday of Easter
	11.00 <sub>am</sub>	† Satasha Lewis RIP	St. Philip Neri A Communal blessing with our relic of St. Philip Neri will be given at the end of Mass.

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**Parking:** Do not park in the Church grounds, this is reserved for blue badge holders, and those dropping people off.

**Children:** During Mass please keep your children with you at all times, accompanying small children to the toilet.

## PRAYERS

Please Pray for the sick and the housebound, for those recently deceased and for those whose anniversaries occur at this time. Our "Prayers for Wellbeing", and "Prayers of Remembrance" books are at the back of the Church.

## CONFESSION

Confession times are: Monday - Friday: 9am, Saturday: 9am & 6pm, Sunday: 9am, and by appointment.

## COLLECTIONS

### LAST WEEK

£401 Not Gift Aided  
£316 Gift Aided

£300 Standing Order Gift Aided  
£299 Ecclesiastical Education

**THIS WEEK:** Parish Development Fund  
**NEXT WEEK:** Parish Development Fund

## DONATIONS

<b>GIFT AID</b>	UK tax payers increase your donation by 25% at no extra cost to yourself. Forms are available at the back of the Church or via our website.	<b>CHEQUE</b>	Place your cheque, made payable to: <b>RCAS ST PHILIP NERI SYDENHAM</b> in an envelope stating the purpose of your donation and post in at the parish house, or place in the Offertory Collection.
<b>STANDING ORDER (Preferred Method)</b>	Ask your bank to make a standing order to: <b>RCAS ST PHILIP NERI SYDENHAM</b> Sort Code: <b>60-21-12</b> A/c No: <b>37298445</b>	<b>CASH</b>	Offertory Collection at Mass.

## NEWS

### MASS FOR THE SICK & HOUSEBOUND

On Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June at 2<sup>pm</sup> we will be having a special Mass for sick, housebound and elderly people of our parish. During the service there will be an opportunity for those present to receive the sacrament of Anointing which is one of the sacraments of healing. After the service refreshments, tea, coffee and cakes will be available for all in the Parish hall.

Our special ministers will be inviting everybody who they take communion to in their homes. If you know a person who does not have communion brought to them but would like to be invited to our Mass for sick and housebound people please let us know on the attached form.

We also need more volunteer drivers and escorts who can pick people up on this one occasion and bring them to the Mass. If you have done this for us in the past we will still have your details. If you would like to help by driving or being an escort please let us know on the attached form.

Many thanks - Joe Apicella

### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION '19

The rehearsal for Group A is: **Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 2<sup>pm</sup>** in the Church. Then their ceremony on **Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June** during the 11<sup>am</sup> Mass.

### CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD, KIRKDALE

*"You will receive Power when the Holy Spirit comes on you and then you will be my witnesses to the ends of the earth."* (Acts 1:8)

PRESENTS A 4-DAY PENTECOST PROGRAMME  
5<sup>th</sup>—8<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019 THEME: COME HOLY SPIRIT

**Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 7.30<sup>pm</sup>** : An Encounter with the Holy Spirit (John 16:13-14)

**Thursday 6<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30<sup>pm</sup>** : The Gifts of the Holy Spirit (1 Corinthians 12:4-12; Romans 12:6-8)

**Friday 7<sup>th</sup> June beginning at 7.30<sup>pm</sup>** : Healing through the Power of the Holy Spirit (Jeremiah 30:17; Jeremiah 17:14) (Holy Mass and anointing of the sick)

**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30<sup>pm</sup>** : Receive the Holy Spirit (Acts 1:8; Acts 2:2-4; John 20:22)

Come and experience Pentecost in a new way as the Church is called and challenged to be an Evangelising Church in order to grow as an Evangelising parish community.

### AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

The second collection on 4<sup>th</sup>/5<sup>th</sup> May, plus the sale of devotional items raised £816 for our charity. This is an impressive amount for which I am very grateful and which will benefit our work with persecuted Christians around the world, such as Sri Lanka and the Middle East. - Michael Davis (Area Secretary)

### SYDENHAM CATHOLIC CLUB

**Friday 19<sup>th</sup> July from 8<sup>pm</sup>**: We are holding a Luther Vandross Tribute night. Tickets are £10 and are now on sale in the Club. We're open Thursday from 8<sup>pm</sup>, Friday from 6.30<sup>pm</sup>, Saturday from 2<sup>pm</sup> and Sunday from 12<sup>noon</sup> so pop in and get yours. Tickets are going fast so don't miss out...

**As seen at Catford Broadway  
International Luther Vandross tribute  
Harry Cambridge**

'Never Too Much', 'Here and Now', 'Give Me the Reason', 'I Really didn't mean it', 'Stop to Love', 'So Amazing', 'The Best Things in Life Are Free', 'Always and Forever', 'Endless Love', 'Ain't No stopping Us Now', 'Your Secret Love', 'Love The One You're With', 'Superstar', 'Dance with My Father', and many, many more.

Luther Vandross the legend, lives on.

## SAVE THE DATE

**SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> JULY 2019**

**OLSPN GARDEN FÊTE**

**12<sup>NOON</sup> - 4<sup>PM</sup>**

### 200 CLUB

The winner of the May £75 prize is Angela Hallett (127). Congratulations.