

28th MAY 2023: PENTECOST SUNDAY (A)

Mass Book page **288**: 1st Reading: Acts 2: 1-11 2nd Reading: 1 Corinthians 12: 3-7, 12-13 Gospel: John 20: 19-23

Hymns for
11 am Mass

Entrance: 296
Gloria: 489

Gospel Acclamation: 710
Communion: 302

Offertory: 771
Post-Communion: 287

Eucharistic Prayer: 490
Recessional: 341



The coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Church

The message "Jesus is Lord" is to be preached to every corner of the earth. 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 the Spirit will come and fill the hearts of the faithful.

As the Father sent me, so am I sending you: receive the Holy Spirit.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention - For church movements and groups

We pray that Church movements and groups may rediscover their mission of evangelisation each day, placing their own charisms at the service of needs in the world.

Mass Times, Intentions & Feast Days

Sat 27	18:30	First Mass of Sunday People of the Parish
Sun 28	09.30	✠ PENTECOST SUNDAY (A) Andrew Watts RIP
	11.00	Satasha Lewis RIP
ORDINARY TIME AFTER EASTER		
Mon 29	09.30	(Bank Holiday) Mary, Mother of the Church Wellbeing for Cecilia Aidoo Rosary
Tue 30	09.30	Patrick Glynn RIP Rosary
Wed 31	09.30	The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary Wellbeing of Tilly and Layton Rosary
Thu 01	09.30	Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest Jozcf Obrochta RIP Rosary
Fri 02	09.30	Wellbeing for Michael, Freddie and Ayla Magar Exposition
Sat 03	09.30	Saint Charles Lwanga and Companions People of the Parish
	18:30	First Mass of Sunday Mary Illott RIP
Sun 04	09.30	✠ THE MOST HOLY TRINITY (A) Wellbeing for Jane & Frank and family
	11.00	Mass

Prayer Requests

If you request for yourself or an immediate family member to be listed in the Parish Newsletter, it will run for a month per request. Please send an email to: regisrubaya@rcaos.org.uk.

Pray for our Dead.

Recently passed: **Michael Finbard McSweeney and Billy Lally.**

May they rest in peace.

We pray for the Wellbeing of **Susan Feore**

Sharing the Word.

First Reading

Luke has the giving of the Holy Spirit happening on the feast of Pentecost. Pentecost was celebrated as the feast of the giving of the Law on Mount Sinai.

According to legend, a mighty wind turned to fire and proclaimed the Law. In a further refinement, the fire split into 70 tongues corresponding to the 70 nations of the world. Luke exploits this tradition. He has a mighty wind and tongues of fire coming upon the group of disciples. But the universal proclamation was not that of the Law, but the good News. This proclamation has reversed the sentence of Babel and re-united the scattered nations.

Second Reading

Here Paul is concerned with charismatic gifts which have become a source of disunity among the

Corinthians. He admits there are many gifts but insists that they all have the same source- the Holy Spirit. These gifts are given by the Spirit for the good of the Church, the Body of Christ. There is no place for division within the community of Christ.

Gospel

The risen Christ appears to his apostles, shows them his wounds (these serve to identify him as the same one who died), and bestows peace on them. Then he entrusts his mission to them. This mission is the exact same mission he received from the Father: the reconciliation of people with the Father. To carry out their mission, he gives them the gift of the Spirit and the power to forgive sin.

Sick and Housebound

If your neighbour or anyone you know is unable to attend mass because they are in poor health, please let Fr Regis know and he will take Holy Communion to them.

First Holy Communion and Confirmation Programme 2022-23

We meet in the Church on Friday 2nd June at 7.00 pm for the Service of Reconciliation and Confessions.

CAFOD

Following the footsteps of the Saints Called to action by our faith- Saturday 10th June

You are invited to CAFOD's International Office on Saturday 10th June for a short time exploring our faith, why we Campaign & how you can help.

The morning will include guest speakers & a chance for discussion in workshops to explore activities such as [Live Simply](#), Our unfair Food System and Liturgy resources.

The morning will run from 10.30-1pm at CAFOD's Office in Lambeth North SE1. For further information contact Sarah or Celeste southwark@cafod.org.uk for booking please see <https://cafod.org.uk/news/events> or Eventbrite [here](#).

Mass in Celebration of the Sacrament of Marriage, Sept. 23rd, 3pm, at St George's Cathedral

If you are celebrating your 1st/10th/25th/40th/50th/60th + wedding anniversary this year, please let your parish know as soon as possible, and no later than the end of July, providing the following details: your names in the format John and Mary Smith, your home address, the anniversary you are celebrating, so you can receive an invitation from the Archbishop for the renewal of vows

during Mass. Spaces are limited. You can also get in touch with us at mflse@rcaos.org.uk. As the title of your email, please write your parish location e.g. Clapham, Beckenham.

Marriage and Family Life South East
RC Archdiocese of Southwark

Forthcoming Events

Please see the posters on the church noticeboard for further details of the following events:

Day of Celebration at Aylesford - 2nd July 2023

A day exploring creative prayer for those with disabilities and special needs: <https://rcaos.org.uk/Celebration23>

Dignitas Personae et Amor Dei - 4th-6th July 2023

A 3-day conference on the *Dignity of the Human Person* through the writings of Edith Stein, Martyr and Saint: <https://rcaos.org.uk/EdithStein23>

Last Week

Offertory: Gift Aided: £185, Not Gift Aided: £279

Mass Count: Sat (51), Sun 09.30 (118), 11.00 (95)

Second Collection

Last week: World Communications Day (£195)

This week: None

Next Week: None

Donate

Gift Aid: Tax payers, please sign up, so we can claim 25p for every £1 donated. Email Treasurer for details.

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