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Pentecost Sunday – May 18th/19th 2024

First Reading Acts 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak.

Responsorial Psalm 103:

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

Second Reading: Galatians 5:16-25

The fruit of the Spirit.

Gospel: John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Spirit of truth will lead you to the complete truth.



Intentions for the Masses celebrated this Weekend

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| Saturday | 6:00 p.m.: | Bambery Family Members RIP (John Bambery) |
| Sunday | 10:00 a.m.: | Bridget and Justin McCarthy RIP |
| | 11:30 a.m.: | Maurice Edward Leven and Claudia Leven-Torres RIP |

Saints of the Week

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| Monday | 20 th | May: | Mary, Mother of the Church |
| Tuesday | 21 st | May: | St. Christopher Magallanes, Priest and Companions, Martyrs |
| Wednesday | 22 nd | May: | St. Rita of Cascia, Religious |
| Thursday | 23 rd | May: | Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, Feast |
| Friday | 24 th | May: | Our Lady Help of Christians |
| Saturday | 25 th | May: | St. Bede the Venerable, Priest and Doctor |

EVENTS

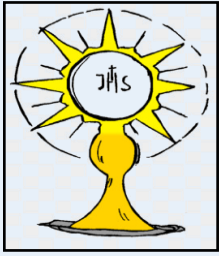
As we end the Easter Season, we are commissioned to spread the joy of Easter. We are sent into the world, not empty handed, but overflowing with the peace and joy of the Spirit. We are called to trust that the Spirit will be with us in whatever suffering, confusion or anxiety we encounter, and when we don't know what to do or say, we can trust in the simplicity of the prayer: "Come Holy Spirit".



*Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
And kindle 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.
O God, who by the light of the Holy Spirit,
Did instruct the hearts of the faithful,
Grant that by the same Holy Spirit,
we may be truly wise and ever enjoy his consolations.
Through the same Christ Our Lord.
Amen.*

"Let us invoke the Holy Spirit each day, so that He can remind us to make God's gaze upon us our starting point, to make decisions by listening to His voice, and to journey together as Church, docile to Him and open to the world". – Pope Francis.

Adoration



Amidst the hustle and bustle of our daily lives, there lies a sacred pause waiting to be embraced.

As a gentle reminder, every Wednesday in the Chapel of the Father's House, **from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.**, you are invited to come for Adoration, with Benediction at 12:15 p.m.. Come, find solace in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. Let this sanctuary be your haven, your place to pause, to reflect, and to draw near to the source of all comfort and hope.

Mark Your Calendars – Garden Party 2024 – 30th June 2024

Get ready to embrace the warmth of summer and the joy of community at our Garden Party 2024 on Sunday, June 30th! Mark your calendars and join us as we gather together to celebrate the spirit of togetherness in our beautiful garden setting. This year, we will be inviting everyone to bring along a dish to pass or something to share, adding a variety of flavours to our gathering. Bring your favourite beverage to enjoy the day together; good food and good company, an auction... there will be something for everyone! Stay tuned as more details are forthcoming.



Garden Raffle



This is the first announcement for the Sacred Heart Garden Raffle. We have an array of wonderful prizes including dinners for two at local restaurants, tickets to Ascot Races, Lewis's Meat Joint... and more! All proceeds from the raffle will go towards enhancing our garden area, which has been cleared at the side of the Church entrance. We are creating a serene and welcoming oasis of calm for our entire community to enjoy. Tickets are £10 each, available at the door of the church immediately following Mass.

YOUTH CORNER

For the ancient Jews, Pentecost was one of the top three religious holidays. It had two important meanings. First, on Pentecost, 50 days after the Passover (the word "Pentecost" comes from the Greek for "fifty"), the first fruits of the spring grain harvest were offered to God in a special sacrifice at the Temple. In this sense, it was highly appropriate that God sent the Holy Spirit to his Church in a public way on Pentecost. The Holy Spirit is the first fruit of the harvest of the New Covenant. The New Covenant is Christ giving us a new, redeemed life of grace. This life begins here on earth under the action of the Holy Spirit, but it will only reach its fulfilment - the full harvest - in heaven.



There was a second meaning to the Jewish festival of Pentecost. It commemorated God giving Moses the Ten Commandments on Mount Sinai. Soon after the Israelites escaped from Egypt, God sent them the Law, a guide for how they should live now that they were freed from slavery to Pharaoh. In this sense too, it was appropriate that God sent his Church the Holy Spirit during that Festival. The Holy Spirit is the bond of unity between the Father and the Son. And the Law of the New Covenant, the Law of the Church, is unity. As St Paul says, the Church is a body with many parts, but it remains one, united body. It is the Church's mission to reunite the human family that has been torn apart by sin. That's why all the visitors in Jerusalem heard the Apostle's words in their own languages. That's why as soon as the risen Jesus breathes on his Apostles; he instructs them to forgive sins.

This is the Church's work - reuniting the divided human family with God and with each other. The Church's mission is to reunite humanity, torn apart by sin, under the Law of unity. Just as the Apostles spoke in various languages, symbolising unity, we're called to address the root cause of disunity: sin. Through prayer, we bind ourselves to God, enabling His strength to unify humanity. Let's renew our commitment to prayer today, empowering us to advance the Church's mission of unity.

THE GIFT OF THE MASS



Take a moment to reflect on those individuals and significant moments in our life that have deeply touched your soul. Think of those you hold in your thoughts and prayers, or those you wish to express profound gratitude towards, and remember them with the blessing of a Mass.

"Let us learn to listen to the Holy Spirit, to be attentive to His voice, which speaks to us deep within our hearts and enlightens our minds." In the sacred act of the Mass, we open ourselves to the transformative power of the Holy Spirit, who guides us into deeper communion with God and one another. Let us approach the Eucharistic celebration with hearts open to the Spirit's guidance, that we may be truly nourished and transformed by the grace of God." – Pope Francis. When we request a Mass for a particular intention, we invite the divine presence to intercede on behalf of our needs and intentions. It is a sacred moment where our prayers are united with the sacrifice of Christ.

If you would like to request a Mass, please fill out an envelope available at the rear of the Church, and then either place it in the Sacristy, hand it to one of the Fathers, or drop it in the letterbox at the Fathers' House.

SACRED HEART WEBSITE

Stay updated on the latest updates, events, and services at Sacred Heart Sunningdale by visiting our website at <https://www.sacredheartsunningdale.com>. We value your input and welcome any feedback or suggestions you may have.

To receive our newsletter via email every Saturday morning, simply notify one of the Fathers, and we'll ensure you're added to the list. If you know someone who would like to stay informed, please let us know, and we'll include them on our mailing list with their consent.

For those without computer or internet access, we're delighted to send a paper copy of the Newsletter and the Sunday Missalette by post. Kindly provide your/their name and address, and if necessary, obtain the person's consent. Thank you for staying connected with Sacred Heart Sunningdale!

Weekly Appointments

- **Taizé Moment of Prayer:** We hold a prayer service every Friday following the spirituality of *Taizé* which is characterised by silent contemplation of the Word of God and inspired by *Music*. The Prayer will take place after the 6:00 p.m. Mass and will last approximately 30 minutes in the meeting room of the Father's house. All Are Welcome!
- The **Sacred Heart Church Newsletter** is sent via e-mail every **Saturday** morning. If you would like to receive it, simply give one of the Father's your email address.
- There is **Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** every **Wednesday** from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. with **Benediction** at 12:15 p.m.
- The **Lectio Divina Prayer Meeting** in person in the Father's house *and on Zoom*, the first Thursday of the month. Our next meeting will be **6th June** and we will begin at: **7:30 p.m.** You will be able to connect via Zoom beginning at 7:15pm. Everyone is welcome!
- **Study Group:** Our Study Group has successfully completed our latest book. We are currently in the process of reviewing potential material for our next Study Group. Stay tuned in the coming weeks as we unveil our next program!
- **Confessions:** Every Saturday from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. and on call. *Just ring the bell at the main door to the House.*
- **Daily Mass:** From Monday through Friday daily Mass is celebrated at 6:00 p.m. in the Chapel of the Father's House. Mass is preceded by Evening Prayer beginning at 5:45 p.m.

SERVICES TO OUR FAITH COMMUNITY

Church Cleaning Roster:

May 18th Nuala McVeigh and Sonia Clark

Next Week:

May 25th Noelle McNelis and Christopher Wood

Volunteers can contact Mrs. Jenny Dias at: jenniferdias@btconnect.com or by mobile telephone on 07973 724404.

Readers:

May 18th 6:00 p.m.: **Rose Taylor**
May 19th 10:00 a.m.: **Ros Mcwhinnie**
May 19th 11:30 a.m.: **Christabelle-Menezes- Sachdev**

Next week:

May 25th 6:00 p.m.: **Kitty and Anthony Hooey**
May 26th 10:00 a.m.: **Valerie Pike**
May 26th 11:30 a.m.: **Bozana Kozyra**

Flower Rota:

May 19th **Sioban Burn**

Next week:

May 26th **Angela Hayes**

Coffee after 10:00 a.m. Mass

May 19th **Ros, Clare and Pauline**

Next week:

May 26th **Sheila, Charles and Jill**



Collection

Grateful thanks are in order for the **£621.41p** received in the Collection over last weekend's Masses, during the week. We warmly thank all those who continue to contribute to the upkeep of the Church through the Sunday Collection and/or a regular **Bankers/Standing Order**.

Prayer Requests for this Week

We pray for **Kiera Fitzmaurice**, the beloved granddaughter of Brendan and her fiancé **Joe Davey**. As they joyfully prepare to celebrate their wedding at Sacred Heart Church next Sunday at 1:00 p.m., may God's blessings of peace and joy be upon them.

For the eternal rest of **Manuel Pestana**, who died 15th May 2024, after an accidental fall.

We pray for the safety of **Clare Beahan** as she skydives this Sunday, 19th May, raising funds for our Nekemte School Project.

For the Eternal rest **Frank De Lima**, brother-in-law of Alice who died on 16th May, 2024.

Your prayers are also requested

For the eternal rest of **Nora Teresa (Noni) Annen**, who died 12th April 2024.

For the eternal rest of **John McKenna**, brother-in-law of Pauline who died on 14th April 2024.

For the good health and recovery of **Rick Johnstone**, who has recently had heart surgery.

For continued good health and well-being of **Christopher Rowbotham**, recovering from a fall.

For the good health and well-being of Pastoral Team Member **Anne Colquhoun**.

For the good health and recovery of **Julie Mallinson**, who is in hospital with pneumonia.

For the good health and well being of **Kathleen Berry** who is back in hospital.

For the continued good health of **Terence Pike** we pray for his strength and healing.

We would like to encourage you not to hesitate to ring or send a message if the Fathers are able to assist you in any way.