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SUNDAY 9th June 2019

PENTECOST SUNDAY

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech (Acts 2:1- 4).

Today, we have every reason to be happy as we mark the birthday of the missionary life of the Church, the beginning of the new Covenant and the public life of the Church. The Pentecost event happened fifty days after the resurrection and concludes the Easter Season, wherein the Holy Spirit, continues and reinforces the earthly mission of Christ through His seven gifts – Wisdom, Understanding, Counsel, Fortitude, Knowledge, Piety and Fear of God.



In the Pentecost experience, Jesus fulfils His promise to His disciples by allowing them to be inundated with the fiery powers of the Holy Spirit. The immediate effects of the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples were the gift of speaking in tongues and the courage to proclaim the Good News fearlessly to the whole world. This period calls for a special relationship with the Holy Spirit and we can develop this through quiet contemplation in Prayer. As we celebrate this feast, may God grant us the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit and may the power of the Holy Spirit reinvigorate our zeal to preach the Good News by our simple acts of kindness, charity and love to all who come our way. Happy Feast day!

CONFITEOR (I Confess)

I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest,

and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory,

Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,

Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord,

you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.

Amen.'

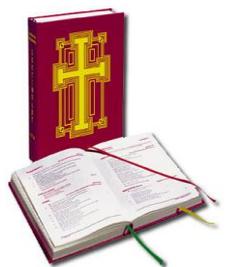
READINGS FOR VIGIL MASS ONLY

LITURGY OF THE WORD

First reading: A reading from the book of Genesis 11:1-9

Throughout the earth men spoke the same language, with the same vocabulary. Now as they moved eastwards they found a plain in the land of Shinar where they settled. They said to one another, 'Come, let us make bricks and bake them in the fire.' (For stone they used bricks, and for mortar they used bitumen). 'Come,' they said 'let us build ourselves a town and a tower with its top reaching heaven. Let us make a name for ourselves, so that we may not be scattered about the whole earth.'

Now the Lord came down to see the town and the tower that the sons of man had built. 'So they are all a single people with a single language!' said the Lord. 'This is but the start of their undertakings! There will be nothing too hard for them to do. Come, let us go down and confuse their language on the spot so that they can no longer understand one another.' The Lord scattered them thence over the whole face of the earth, and they stopped building the town. It was named Babel therefore, because



there the Lord confused the language of the whole earth. It was from there that the Lord scattered them over the whole face of the earth.

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1-2 24. 27-30.035

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

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, clothed in majesty and glory, wrapped in light as in a robe! **R**

How many are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have made them all. The earth is full of your riches. Bless the Lord, my soul. **R**

All of these look to you to give them their food in due season. You give it, they gather it up: you open your hand, they have their fill. **R**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

Second reading: A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans 8:22-27

From the beginning till now the entire creation, as we know, has been groaning in one great act of giving birth; and not only creation, but all of us who possess the first-fruits of the Spirit, we too groan inwardly as we wait for our bodies to be set free. For we must be content to hope that we shall be saved – our salvation is not in sight, we should not have to be hoping for it if it were – but, as I say, we must hope to be saved since we are not saved yet – it is something we must wait for with patience. The Spirit too comes to help us in our weakness. For when we cannot choose words in order to pray properly, the Spirit himself expresses our plea in a way that could never be put into words, and God who knows everything in our hearts knows perfectly well what he means, and that the pleas of the saints expressed by the Spirit are according to the mind of God.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 7:37-39

On the last day and greatest day of the festival, Jesus stood there and cried out: 'If any man is thirsty, let him come to me! Let the man come and drink who believes in me!' As scripture says: *From his breast shall flow fountains of living water.* He was speaking of the Spirit which those who believed in him were to receive; for there was no Spirit as yet because Jesus had not yet been glorified.

The Gospel of the Lord.

READINGS FOR PENTECOST SUNDAY ONLY

First Reading: A reading from the Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

When Pentecost day came round, they had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech.



Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; people from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome – Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 103:1 24.29-31.34

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

Bless the Lord, my soul! Lord God, how great you are, how many are our works, O Lord! The earth is full of your riches. **R**

You take back your spirit, they die, returning to the dust from which they came. You send forth your spirit, they are created; and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

May the glory of the Lord last forever! May the Lord rejoice in his works! May my thoughts be pleasing to him. I find my joy in the Lord. **R**

Second reading: A reading from the letter of St. Paul to the Romans 8:8-17

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised

Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

Everyone moved by the Spirit is a son of God. The spirit you received is not the spirit of slaves bringing fear into your lives again; it is the spirit of sons, and it makes us cry out, 'Abba, Father!' The Spirit himself and our spirit bear united witness that we are children of God. And if we are children we are heirs as well: heirs of God and coheirs with Christ, sharing his sufferings so as to share his glory.

The Word of the Lord.

Sequence

Holy Spirit, Lord of Light,
From the clear celestial height
Thy pure beaming radiance
give.

Come, thou Father of the poor,
Come with treasures which
endure
Come, thou light of all that
live!

Thou, of all consolers best,
Thou, the soul's delightful
guest,
Dost refreshing peace bestow

Thou in toil art comfort sweet
Pleasant coolness in the heat
Solace in the midst of woe.

Light immortal, light divine,
Visit thou these hearts of thine,
And our inmost being fill:

If thou take thy grace away,
Nothing pure in man will stay
All his good is turned to ill.

Heal our wounds, our strength
renew
On our dryness pour thy dew
Wash the stains of guilt away:

Bend the stubborn heart and
will
Melt the frozen, warm the chill
Guide the steps that go astray.

Thou, on us who evermore
Thee confess and thee adore,
With thy sevenfold gifts
descend:

Give us comfort when we die
Give us life with thee on high
Give us joys that never end.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful
and kindle in them the fire of your love.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL: A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 14:15-16,23-26

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments. I shall ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you for ever. 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

The Gospel of the Lord.

THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit (*all bow*) was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church. I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

Pray brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the Almighty Father.

May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.



SANCTUS

English

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord of God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory.

Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna in the highest.

Latin

Sanctus, Sanctus, Sanctus.

Dóminus Deus Sábaoth

Pleni sunt caeli et terra glória tua.

Hosána in excélsis.

Benedíctus qui venit in nómine Dómini.

Hosána in excélsis.

We shall pray **Preface of Pentecost** and say **Eucharistic Prayer I.**

THE MYSTERY OF FAITH

Dying you destroyed our death, rising you restored our life. Lord Jesus, come in glory.

English

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

Latin

Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi, miserere nobis.

Agnus Dei, qui tolis peccata mundi, dona nobis pacem.

**O Sacrament most Holy,
O Sacrament Divine,
All praise and all thanksgiving,
Be every moment thine. x 3**



PARISH INFORMATION, FAITH NEWS & MISSION

Thank you: Thank you to our Outreach Group who organised the Table Sales last weekend. The team worked very hard and we raised a huge £585.16. This amount will go to a charity to be decided.

Second collection: Today's second collection is for the Catholic Trust for England and Wales. This Trust supports the legal, financial and charitable activities of the Bishops conference, its departments, agencies and offices. This collection helps supply the Bishops with the revenue necessary for the central administration of the Church in this country. Please donate generously.

Second collection next week: The second collection next week will be for the flowers for the First Holy Communion Mass.

Perpetual Adoration of the Eucharist: Each Wednesday, we shall expose the Blessed Sacrament at 9am. Perpetual adoration of the Eucharist will continue till 7.15pm in the evening. We shall conclude with Eucharistic Sacrifice of the Mass at 7.45pm.

First Holy Communion: First Holy Communion will be next Saturday 15th and Sunday 16th June at 2pm. Please keep all our children in your prayers as they prepare for their special day. We would like to remind all parents that on Sunday 23rd June at 11am we will hold our Corpus Christi procession where all children will take part dressed in their communion attire; this will be followed by a party for communicants where they will be presented with their Holy Communion certificates by Fr. Cyriacus.

Confirmation Discs: Confirmation discs containing photographs of the candidates at the Confirmation Mass are now ready. The discs are available from the parish office and cost £10 each.

Healing Mass: The next Mass for the sick will be on Saturday 22nd June. We shall expose the Blessed Sacrament at 11am and start the Healing Mass at 11.45am. There will be general anointing of the Faithful before the final blessings. Bring your sick relatives and come with your special petitions and you will be surely blessed by our loving God who answers prayers.

Bible Class: The next Bible Class will be on Wednesday 19th of June at 8.15pm immediately after the Evening Mass. Our topic for discussion is: "...But since you are neither hot or cold, but only lukewarm, I will spit you out of my mouth" (Revelation 3:15-19)

Day Trip to Margate: Our annual seaside day trip this year is on Saturday 20th July and we are off to Margate! If you would like to join us, please write your name down with the number of tickets you require on the list in the porch. Places are secured only after payment has been received; there is a limit of 53 spaces.

June Birthdays: If your birthday falls in the month of June, please check to see if your name is on the birthday list in the porch; please write your name (clearly) on the list if it is not shown.

Offertory Procession: All Offertory Gifts will now be presented at the altar by individuals or families who have booked the Sunday Mass.

Young Children at 11am Mass: To all parents of young children, please remember we have resources available in the hall to entertain your child should they become restless during mass.

Mass Attendance Record: Primary School Applications for places in September 2020 will be available from Bromley Council around September 2019. If you wish for your child to be considered entrance to a Catholic Primary School you will also have to complete a Supplementary Information Form (SIF) along with your application. The SIF form will ask about Mass attendance; so in this instance, we have a Mass Attendance Record that all parents should use, this will help with your application process. Mass Attendance Records can be found in the porch, on the right hand side when you exit from the church.

Legal Advice: Legal Aid advice is always available here at Our Lady of the Crays. Please contact Pedro on 07888 691332.

Rosary Group: Monday, Thursday and Friday at 10am & Saturday 13.00pm.

SVP: The SVP group meet fortnightly on Sunday after the 11am Mass. New members very welcome to join.

Mothers Prayer Group 1: Every Friday at 8pm at Irene Williams' house.

Mothers Prayer Group 2: Every Friday at 8pm at Nneka Omo-Idahosa's house.



The Christian holy day of **Pentecost**, which is celebrated on the seventh Sunday after Easter, commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles and other followers of Jesus Christ while they were in Jerusalem celebrating the Feast of Weeks, as described in the Acts of the Apostles (Acts 2:1–31).

Collection for last Sunday 2nd June 2019: **£869.35**

Last week's second collection for World Communication Day: **£262.71**

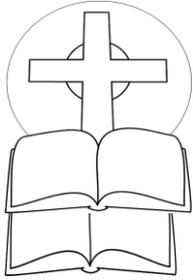
Last month's standing order: **£1,418.32**

May God bless you for looking after your Parish

REQUEST FOR PRAYER FOR THE SICK AND THE HOUSEBOUND



Please continue to pray for: Mario Angeli, Eleanor Smith, Monica Gallagher, P J Connor, Mary Stanley, Betty Evans, Janet Sinclair, Peggy Colman, Marya Misajat, Sheila Santos, Denis O'Donoghue, Paddy (Patrick) Quinlan, Jeanette Miller-Spice, Jeanne Allen, Peter Trodden, Jim Tarrant, Ivan Muir-Clark, and all the Sick Clergy of the Diocese and the housebound of the Parish.



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE – NAMES FOR JUNE

We remember in our payers: John Wait, Margaret Plowman, Brigid Colond, Jeanette O'Connor, Julius Okoye, Raymond Parry, Terrence Jarrold, Rolundo Manangan, John Butamanyan, Assunta Freeman, Sheila Edith Lewis, Maureen Cohan, Jim Delaney, Barbara Lynch, Alice Wright, Margaret McCulla, Mary Ashton, Margaret Jackson, Mary Dunleavy, Kathleen Fitzsimons, Dominic Egbukwu, Anne Marie Kearney, Mary-Theresa Lynch, Alice Darla, Gladys Okoye, Susanne Mubi, Paolo Fanucci, Olive Bagust, Gladys Wells, George O'Brien, Angela Spiteri, Thomas Elliott, Bernard Cobley, Gabriel Bello, Joyce Lee, Mary Southgate, Moses Shofowuru, Ann Joyce Lee, Mary O'Donnell, Louisa Lobo and John Cafferkey.

MINISTRIES IN THE CHURCH

Service	Weekend of 8 & 9 June Team 2	Weekend of 15 & 16 June Team 3
Readers 6pm	C St.John D Fufeyin	J Tarrant Chima
Readers 9am	M Wingfield J Fernandes	M Dunleavy
Readers 11am	P O'Halloran J Sunshine	U Temenior J Smith
Euch. M. 6pm	JP Gallagher, D Philip & B Inglis	N Abrook , H Cherry & R O'Shea
Euch. M. 9am	M Abu, M Lyons & K Wingfield	I Floyd , T Meaney & M Armstrong
Euch.M.11am	F Adewale, R Anseline, P Greenidge, T Wickenden M Ehiosun & N Esong	N Adewale, H Anseline, J Boamah, G Greenspan, P Greenidge & N Akosah
Linen	T Obende	F Obende
Cleaning	M Quintavalle	T Fernandes



If you are new to the parish, please join us in the hall for refreshments after 9am and 11am Mass each Sunday. Alternatively, please complete a new parishioner registration form which can be found in the church porch and hand in to the parish office. We look forward to welcoming you all.

PARISH EVENTS FOR 2019

JUNE	
SATURDAY 1 ST	OUTREACH TABLE SALES
SATURDAY 1 ST	REHEARSAL FOR FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
SAT 15 TH /SUN 16 TH	FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
SUNDAY 23 RD	CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION
FRIDAY 28 TH	VOLUNTEERS MEAL
JULY	
SUNDAY 14 TH	AFRO-CARIBBEAN DAY CELEBRATION
SATURDAY 20 TH	DAY TRIP TO SEASIDE TOWN OF MARGATE
SEPTEMBER	
SUNDAY 15 TH	PARISH CELEBRATION DAY
SATURDAY 28 TH – 5 TH OCT	FOOTSTEPS OF ST. PAUL PILGRIMAGE TO GREECE
OCTOBER	
SUNDAY 6 TH	EUROPEAN DAY CELEBRATION
SATURDAY 19 TH	DAY TRIP TO SALISBURY CATHEDRAL
MONDAY 28 TH	ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING (AGM)
NOVEMBER	
SATURDAY 16 TH	KNIGHTS OF ST.COLUMBA CENTENARY EVENT

DIARY FOR THE WEEK

<p>Sun: June 9: Pentecost Sunday(C)</p> <p>6.00pm Mass: Holy Souls</p> <p>9.00am Mass: Pro Populo</p> <p>11.00am Mass: Janet Storer, 80th BT</p>	<p>Sat: June 15: Feria</p> <p>2.00pm: First Holy Communion Mass</p> <p>5.15pm – 5.45pm: Confessions</p> <p>6.00pm Mass: Benny Juwah, BT</p>
<p>Mon: June 10: Mary, Mother of the Church (Memorial)</p> <p>9.30am: Anne Oyeniran & Gerard Neame, GB & Success on their wedding day.</p> <p>Tues: June 11: No Mass</p> <p>Wed: June 12: Feria</p> <p>9am: Exposition of the Bl. Sacrament</p> <p>7.30pm: Mary Ann Keenan, RIP</p> <p>Thu: June 13: Our Lord Jesus Christ, Eternal High Priest, (Feast)</p> <p>9.30am: Irene Williams, BT</p> <p>6.00pm – 7.30pm: Parish Surgery</p> <p>Fri: June 14: Feria</p> <p>9.30am: Jacky Jonson, BT</p>	<p>Sun: June 16: The Most Holy Trinity C (Solemnity)</p> <p>9.00am Mass: Rose O’Shea, 80th BT</p> <p>11.00am Mass: Chandler Ihonor, TG</p> <p>2.00pm: First Holy Communion Mass</p> <p>NOTE: BI means Blessed BT means Birthday Thanksgiving GB means God’s Blessings PI means Private Intentions RIP means Rest in Peace SI means Special Intention SR means Speedy Recovery TG means Thanksgiving WA means Wedding Anniversary WB means Well-Being Pro Populo: People of the Parish</p> <p><i>**Offertory Gifts will now be presented at the altar by individuals or families who have booked the Sunday Mass**</i></p>
<p>Rosary: Mon, Thursday – Friday at 10am, Saturday at 13.00pm</p> <p>Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Starts at 8.45am on Monday, Thursday – Friday; 6.45pm on Wednesday and 11.30am on Saturday.</p>	