



# St Joseph's Church Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

*Served by the Society of the Divine Saviour – The Salvatorians*

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**Pentecost Sunday**  
**The Most Holy Trinity**

**31st May 2020**  
**7th June 2020**



Uncontainable Holy Spirit

In our churches there is no shortage of images, mostly statues, paintings or stained glass. They are mostly of Jesus, Mary and the saints, in addition to images of Old Testament figures like Abraham and Sarah, or Moses and Miriam. The Holy Spirit, whose feast we celebrate on Pentecost, does not lend itself easily to imagery. The traditional image of the dove is drawn from the scene of the baptism of Jesus. But the language in that passage is rather vague; the Holy Spirit descended like a dove, or in the way that a dove might descend. There are two other images of the Holy Spirit in today's reading from the Acts of the Apostles. Luke says that all who gathered in one room heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven; he goes on to say that something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire. Just as the evangelists do not portray an actual dove at the baptism of Jesus, Luke does not say that the wind and fire at Pentecost were tangible phenomena. The Holy Spirit is impossible to visualise, because the Spirit cannot be seen as such. Yet the Holy Spirit is profoundly real.

Many things in our universe are real even though invisible to the naked eye. What we see with our eyes is only a fraction of our physical world. The Holy Spirit belongs to the spiritual world, and it naturally cannot see the Spirit with our eyes. Yet, there are helpful ways of imagining the Holy Spirit. St Paul uses an image drawn from nature when he says that the Spirit bears fruit. He means the visible effect of the Spirit on one's life.

In the Pentecost story, humanity appears at its best, united and sharing in wisdom. Pentecost brought about a wonderful bonding of people from all over the world. They were united in admiring and praising the marvels of God. In spite of differences of language and culture there was a real communion among them. Wherever communion of heart and mind exist among people of different backgrounds, the Holy Spirit is at work. Unity in diversity is the mark of the Spirit.

### Prayer for spiritual communion

**My Jesus,  
I believe that You are present in the Most Holy  
Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You  
sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there  
and unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You.  
Amen.**

### OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Thank you for your continued support of St Joseph's Church, especially at this difficult time for everyone.

There are still a number of boxes of envelopes available for collection from the Presbytery office for those who can. Monday to Friday from 9:00 AM to 12:00 noon. Please check the list, take your box (and for your neighbours if possible) and then tick off the list, to say you have taken your new set.

Please note that the list has been revised and you may not receive the same numbered box as you had last time. This is, however, a purely administrative arrangement. Just take the numbered box with your name & address attached and all will be well. For the time being, contributions may be dropped at the Presbytery letterbox.

Many thanks, once again for your continued help.

May God bless you and keep you safe.



### Sanctuary Lamp Intentions

Two lamps constantly burn before the tabernacle to indicate the presence of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. The candles burn for 7 days - Saturday to Saturday. These may be offered for intentions at £10 each. Please enquire at the Presbytery.

### Week commencing Saturday 30th May

1. **Conor Murphy**
2. **Maria da Silva & family / Rosa Maunheiro**

### Week commencing Saturday 6th June

1. **Catherine's Intentions**
2. **Conor Murphy**

## Pastoral Guidance on Reopening of Churches for individual prayer

### • Team and Responsibilities

In order to re-open the Church we will need to ensure we have adequate staff or volunteers to support the process. The team should address the following:

- Stewarding – at the entry point, exit point and in the church.
- The team should be informed about hand hygiene, respiratory hygiene and actions to take in the event of a First Aid emergency.
- The team must not physically interact (shake hands, hugging) with parishioners with the exception of an emergency situation.

### • Supplies

The Parish should remain COVID-19 secure in having sufficient supplies of the following:

- Hand gel of no less than 65% alcohol;
- Adequate welfare products for team in terms of hand washing facilities – soap and paper towels;
- Protective equipment for stewards and cleaners
- Cleaning materials & Tape to mark out social distancing.

### • Preparation of the Church

Prior to opening the Church for individual prayer,

- We should ensure the 2-metre radius social distance requirement.
- We should identify the one-way system throughout the church
- We should mark the pews that are not to be used.
- We should organise seating to ensure 2-metre radius distance is maintained. This will indicate the maximum number allowed in the church for individual prayer.
- Statues should not be touched.
- We should have hand sanitiser stands at entry and exit doors.
- We should provide hand sanitiser by votive candles to use before and after lighting candles.
- Toilets and Confessionals will remain locked at all times.

### • Cleaning Regime

In order to maintain a COVID-19 safe environment and demonstrate our duty of care to Parishioners, a clear cleaning regime will need to be implemented.

- Cleaners should be reminded of the required hand hygiene and respiratory hygiene guidance.
- The Church must have a thorough domestic clean at least once each day or more regularly if necessary.
- Areas of frequent touch will need to be cleaned more regularly throughout the opening times of the Church. Doors should be left open if possible.
- Cleaners must wear rubber gloves and aprons when cleaning.
- Cleaners have to wash thoroughly before socialising with members of their household.

### Mass Intentions

We continue to celebrate Masses, without the faithful, on a daily basis. Your Mass intentions are being offered.

## YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year A; Weekday Cycle Year 2 (9<sup>th</sup> week of year)

**Monday, 1st June: The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church**

Tuesday, 2nd June: Feria or Ss Marcellinus and Peter, Martyrs

Wednesday, 3rd June: St Charles Lwanga & Companions, Martyrs

**Thursday, 4th June: Our Lord Jesus Christ, The Eternal High Priest, Feast**

Friday: 5th June: St Boniface, Bishop & Martyr

Saturday: 6th June: Feria

**Sunday, 7th June: The Most Holy Trinity**

### Rosary Intention for June

The month of the Sacred Heart. The Holy Eucharist.

### Baptisms

We regret that all Baptisms arranged for June will have to be postponed. We will contact families individually to re-arrange dates once it is safe to do so.

### Confirmation

Unfortunately, it will not be possible for candidates to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in June. Please continue to prepare by studying 'YouCat'. We will keep you updated via the newsletter.

### A Video Meditation on the Holy Spirit

As we celebrate Pentecost, Fr Pat Browne and Patrick Van Der Vost have prepared a video meditation on the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, using Christian art and music. It was prepared to help us as we spend time in prayer on the Vigil of Pentecost, as the Cardinal has encouraged us to do so. To find it, please follow this link <https://christian.art/videos.php>

### Acknowledgement

Dear Parishioners, friends and family. Thank you for your Mass cards, letters of condolences, phone calls and flowers on the death of my beloved husband Ronald Yep. Holy Mass will be offered in thanksgiving for your intentions.

### MASS ONLINE

#### Sunday Mass

**10.00am St Saviour's Parish Abbots Langley**

[www.facebook.com/St-Saviours-Parish-Abbots-Langley](https://www.facebook.com/St-Saviours-Parish-Abbots-Langley)

**11:00 St. Joseph's Church Wealdstone**

[www.facebook.com/catholicwealdstone](https://www.facebook.com/catholicwealdstone)

**Weekday Mass Monday to Saturday:**

**10:00 St. Joseph's Church Wealdstone**

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### OTHER WEBSITES

There are many websites offering information and support at this time. Among them are: The Diocese of Westminster [www.rcdow.org.uk](http://www.rcdow.org.uk)

The Bishops' Conference [www.cbcew.org.uk](http://www.cbcew.org.uk)

The National Shrine of Our Lady of Walsingham [www.walsingham.org.uk](http://www.walsingham.org.uk)