



St Joseph's Church

Wealdstone and Harrow Weald

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Pentecost Sunday

23rd May 2021



The season of Easter concludes with today's celebration, the feast of Pentecost. On Pentecost we celebrate the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the apostles gathered in the upper room in Jerusalem; this event marks the beginning of the Church. The story of Pentecost is found in the Acts of the Apostles.

In fact, the Holy Spirit overcomes fear. We know that the disciples sought shelter in the Upper Room after the arrest of their Lord and they had remained isolated for fear of suffering the same fate. After Jesus' Resurrection their fear was not suddenly dispelled. But here at Pentecost, when the Holy Spirit rested upon them, those men emerged fearless and began to proclaim the Good News of the Crucified and Risen Christ to all. They were not afraid anymore because they felt they were in the hands of the strongest one. Yes, wherever the Spirit of God enters he put fear to flight; he makes us know and feel we are in the hands of an Omnipotence of love: something happens, his infinite love does not abandon us. It is demonstrated by the very existence of the Church which, despite the limitations and sins of men and women, continues to cross the ocean of history, blown by the breath of God and enlivened by his purifying fire.

(Pope Benedict XVI)

**Nothing should make you happy but God
and what leads you to God!
(Bl. Francis Jordan)**

Pope urges Catholics to pray the Rosary for end to pandemic

Pope Francis has invited Catholics and Marian Shrines around the world to dedicate the month of May to a marathon of prayer for an end to the Covid-19 pandemic. We continue the global prayer marathon in the month of May, praying for the end of the pandemic. It is suggested that we say the Rosary each day for this intention either individually or perhaps joining by livestream the Rosary from one of the Marian shrines around the world.

The Pope will also close the initiative on 31 May with another specially broadcast Rosary.

OFFERTORY ENVELOPES

Your new box of envelopes is available to collect from the back of the church any day before or after the mass. For any assistance, please ask one of the stewards.

If you are a UK Taxpayer and wish to Gift Aid your donation, please contact the Parish Office.

Many thanks, once again for your continued help.

May God bless you and keep you safe.

Water for Kalamba

Thank you for all your generous donations so far. The people of Kalamba are still in great need for clean water and your support is much appreciated. You can help by supporting our appeal and enabling us to reach out to more families and communities in desperate need of help.

Please donate to Society of the Divine Saviour Mission (Acc. 20327833 SC 16-24-06), 191 High Rd, Harrow, HA3 5EE with as reference "Water for Kalamba." Thank you very much.

Covid-19

Update from the Bishops' Conference

We are now able to move away from government detailed regulations and follow prudent local judgements.

- Hand sanitisers must still be used when entering the church and everyone attending Mass must wear a face mask whilst in the church, unless exempt.
- Social distancing continues but with face masks and good ventilation this can be reduced to 1 meter.
- Holy water stoups remain out of use and congregational singing is still prohibited.
- The Sign of Peace remains suspended and Holy Communion remains under one kind only.
- Attendance at Baptisms & Weddings can now be increased to 30.
- Attendance at funerals can now be increased to 90.
- Stewards will not be required during weekday Masses but will continue to operate at weekends.
- Confessions can be held before or after Mass during the week – please speak with the Priest celebrating Mass to arrange.

Do not come to church if you are feeling unwell or showing symptoms of Covid-19 - Stay at home. Please take your Mass Sheet & Bulletin home.

See notice board for details.

Confirmation

Congratulations to our confirmation candidates who made their Reconciliation during a beautiful service last week. We are really excited to welcome our candidates to special Confirmation Masses on 27th and 28th May at 7pm with Bishop John Sherrington. **Please arrive at 6.30pm so that Mass can start promptly at 7pm.** We hope that you can understand that we have limited spaces due to Covid restrictions and only 5 members are permitted per family including the sponsor and candidate. All 'Raise the Roof' charity walk monies must now be handed into the parish office. See our website for info: www.catholicwealdstone.org or email Paula Donnelly direct: poilinnidhonnaile@gmail.com.

Beatification of Fr Francis Jordan



Many Thanks & Blessings to all thinking of the Salvatorians during the Beatification of Fr Francis Jordan on 15th May in Rome. It went very well and, in the future, we hope to arrange a Parish Pilgrimage to Rome and to hold a Parish event to celebrate later on.

YOUR MASSES

Cycle of Readings Year B; Weekday Cycle Year 1

- Monday: **The Bl. V. Mary, Mother of the Church. No Public Mass**
- Tuesday: 7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass
St Bede the Venerable, Priest
- Wednesday: 7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass
St Philip Neri, Priest
- Thursday: 7:30 & 10.00: Public Mass
Our Lord J-C The Eternal High Priest
- Friday 7:30 & 10:00: Public Mass
- Saturday: 10.00am & 6pm: Public Mass**
- Sunday: The Most Holy Trinity: 8:15; 11:00; 12:45**

Both Saturday Masses count for a Sunday Mass

Below is the link (live streamed mass) to St. Joseph Church's Facebook page. You do not need a Facebook account to access:

<https://www.facebook.com/catholicwealdstone/>



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.

1. **Brendan Clifford (get well)**
2. **Bridget Clifford**

Pope's Intention for May

Pray that those in charge of finance will work with governments to regulate the financial sphere and protect citizens from its dangers.

Rosary intentions for May

Our Lady's intentions.

Mrs Pamela Singh OBE – Marathon Walk

See notice board and our Facebook page for pictures and ways to donate to these two great causes.

Pilates with Mary

Limited spaces are available for Pilates in the Parish Hall on Tuesdays, Wednesdays & Saturdays. See notice board for details. (Covid-19 safe).

Recently Deceased

Mary Katherine Dunleavy, (Harrow Weald). Funeral: Monday 24th May at 11.00am followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

Christine Gorton (North Harrow). Funeral: Wednesday 26th May at 12.30 followed by cremation at Breakspear.

Catherine Carroll (wife of Thomas). Funeral: Wednesday 2nd June at 11.00am followed by burial at Northwood Cemetery.

May they rest in peace